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Excellence with Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

STEMazing

Class 3 and Class 4 had the first of four sessions with STEMazing Inspiration Academy on Wednesday. These classes offer interactive, hands-on activities to promote a



love of all things STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). In their first session, students created structures using only paper and masking tape and tested how much weight these could hold – the results might surprise you! Students are already excited for their next session which will take place on Thursday 23rd May.



Yr 4 trip to Westminster Abbey

On Friday, Year 4 were very lucky with the weather, for their visit to Westminster Abbey. As part of their history module on the Anglo Saxons, Year 4 visited Westminster Abbey. The class had a fantastic time in a building that dates back to 1066 and before. We also saw the throne every English monarch since Edward I, up to King Charles, was crowned on. It was an amazing day and the class were terrific ambassadors for St Gabriel's.

Vomiting Bug

We have had a small number of cases of vomiting in 3 classes. Please remember if your child has been vomiting or has had diarrhoea, please keep them at home until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Use of cameras in school

Further to our newsletter last week, please remember that after half term, we will no longer be able to allow photos to be taken on parents' phones or cameras, during performances or other events in school. Please ensure that these remain in your pockets or bags during assemblies or other events. We respectfully ask you to support us in this as we do not want to draw



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attention to individual parents or carers, by having to approach them and ask them not to film or take photos. We understand that this may be disappointing for many parents. However, it has been necessary to introduce this rule as a safeguarding measure. The safety of all of our pupils and our community is our priority. Many thanks in advance for your understanding.

We have been asked to advertise the following from our partners: →

Coming Up:

This week is international week. Our previous international food fares have been a fantastic opportunity for us all to come together and share and celebrate our different cultures. Thank you to all families who have already offered to bring in a some food!

Sayers Croft Yr 6 September 2024

Unbelievably, it is already time to start thinking about Yr 6's visit to Sayers Croft when we return to school in September. A letter has already gone home about this and Mr Nunn is arranging a parent information session for Year 5, for the first week back after the half term break.



Attendance

Our attendance is currently 94.8%. I know our families have been trying really hard, please do keep up the good work so that we can get closer to that 97% target!

Dates for the diary

Please remember, holidays in term time are not permitted and schools are now instructed to make a referral to the local authority if a holiday or trip is taken during term time. The LA may also then issue a penalty notice. Please therefore take note of when holidays dates are. These are also available on our website. <https://www.stgabrielsprimary.co.uk/term-dates/>

May	June	July
Wed 22 nd – Screen use parents session Fri 24 th – Last day of term	Mon 3 rd : first day back Wed 5 th : Class photos Mon 10 th : phonics test for Yr 1 this week Mon 17 th Yr 5 cycle confident course & Yr 1 MIND kindness workshop	Mon 8 th : cycle confident for Reception Fri 5 th : reports go home Wed 10 th : Parents evening (to discuss reports only) Tues 16 th : Prize Day Fri 19 th : School finishes at 2.30pm

Awards - Top Table: Travis and Anayah

Wishing you a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you on 3rd June at 9am,

Rebecca Anson
Headteacher