



# St Gabriel's C.E. Primary School

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Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
**Excellence with Compassion**

Dear Parents and Carers,

### At St Gabriel's last week...

We celebrated children's mental health with Hello Yellow Day in aid of Young Minds. Thank you to everyone who contributed! We raised a total of £120.47!

We welcomed Paula Walker, our school advisor from the London Diocesan Board for Schools. It was lovely to hear her comment on how excellent our children's behaviour is and that a fantastic attitude to learning was obvious in every class across the school.

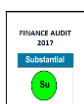
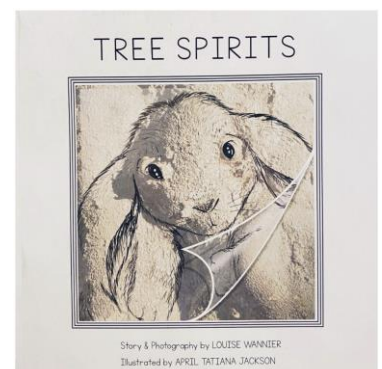
On Thursday we had our Harvest Festival. What an amazing collection of gifts we had for the Passage Charity. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who donated food stuffs and toiletries. Thank you for your generosity!



We also have been on the receiving end and are very thankful for some gifts lately. Our amazing new playground surface was courtesy of a donation from the Ward Budget, so a big thank you to our local council! And all the lovely bananas and other fruit you may have seen in the playground have been very generously donated from Mary Smiths pantry. The Orchard Project and Tesco's have also been helping us to fund the development of our orchard area. This is coming along nicely!

On Friday we welcomed children's author Louise Wannier. She came

to share her book, *Tree Spirits*; a book about nature, imagination and observation, with children in years 1,2 and 3. The children enjoyed



Awarded by Arts Council England

having the story read to them and hearing all about her inspiration. They also had fun later drawing some of their own tree spirits.

## Coming Up...

### Individual Photos

Wednesday is photo day. We will be visited by our school photographer on Wednesday morning and she will be taking individual photos of the children and photos of the children with their siblings. The proofs of these will go home shortly for parents to order their copies. Children are reminded to come in looking as smart as possible!



### Parent Coffee Morning this Wednesday

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> we will be holding a parent coffee morning on **'understanding your child's behaviour'**. The session will be run by MIND and will take place in the dining room. All parents are welcome. We will be getting further dates together for the coming year and aim to have a programme covering different topics to support our parent community

Don't forget, you can still apply for activities over half term – please scan the QR codes to find out more!

## Friday Evening Organ Recitals

at St Gabriel's Church  
Warwick Square, Pimlico, SW1V 2AD

6.45-8.00pm Concert  
Refreshments from 6.15pm

20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

ADAM MEYER  
(Trumpet)

DAVID KING  
(Organ)

Purcell, J S Bach, Charpentier, Vivaldi, Grieg,  
Stanley, Torelli, Handel and Clarke

### Dates coming up:

November	December
<b>Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup></b> : inter school netball competition (mixed Yr 5&6)	<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup></b> : yr 1 MIND workshop on friendship
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup></b> : National Child measurement Yr 6	<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup></b> : Police led Awareness academy for Yr 6
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup></b> : Yr 6 visit to Westminster Abbey	<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup></b> : 9-10am <b>Parent Coffee morning – helping your child to sleep</b>
<b>Thurs 9<sup>th</sup></b> : Staffing and Community governor committee meeting and Curriculum committee meeting	<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup></b> : Full governing body meeting 5pm
<b>Fri 10<sup>th</sup></b> : Keep Smiling dental workshop, Finance and premises governors committee meeting	<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup></b> : Yr 5 and choir to Tri-borough music hub concert
<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup></b> : NSPCC stay safe assemblies this week	<b>Tues 19<sup>th</sup></b> : Christmas lunch
<b>Tues 14<sup>th</sup></b> : Class 5 to library	<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup></b> : <b>open afternoon for parents to see books</b>
<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup></b> : Yr 1 out for Teddy Bears picnic	<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup></b> : 2.30pm School breaks up for Christmas holiday
<b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup></b> : Peter Daniel in for history workshops with Yr 6 & small group of children visiting Livery Hall for Young Gardeners awards ceremony	
<b>Fr 17<sup>th</sup></b> : Yr 6 to Pimlico library	
<b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup></b> : Yr 2 to National Army Museum	
<b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup></b> : Yr 6 to Not Forgotten Show at the Parker Morris Hall	
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup></b> : last week of clubs this week, Yr 5 and choir to Kensington Hall for Tri-borough Music Hub concert practice	
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup></b> : School disco (to be confirmed!)	

£10 / £5 (Under 30)  
ticketsource.co.uk/st-gabriels-concerts  
FREE PARKING FROM 6.30PM



## Parents' Notice Board Including invitations for parents

### Events coming up...

- **Duolingo:** don't forget if you want to improve spoken and written English FOR FREE and would like to learn at your own pace, please contact Mr Baker
- **Every Thursday morning:** 9.10-9.40 (approx.) Family assembly in the Great Hall
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October:** 9-10am Parents coffee morning in the dinner hall on understanding your child's behaviour
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October:** at St Gabriel's church (for parents and children) Organ recital (see poster in this letter)
- **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December:** 9-10am parent coffee morning on helping your child to sleep
- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** nativity performance (time TBC)
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** 3.45-4.30 open afternoon – a chance to see your child's classroom and books
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024:** 3.30-4.30 Yr 5 and yr 6 parents' relationships and sex education meeting

### Attendance:

We ask that you do not book holidays in term time. Our holiday dates for this year and next year are on the website. We are aiming for a whole school attendance of 97% and have a little way to go yet. Class with highest attendance last week was: Year 6 with an amazing 100%! Well done Year 6. Whole school attendance is: 95.5%, let's see if we can make 97% in the next few weeks!

### Awards:

**Star of the Week:** Baneen      **Class of the Week:** Class 6

**Music Award:** Ali N    **Sports Award:** Jumayna

**House Points winner:** **St. Edward**    **Top Table:** William and Adam

<b>Mentions</b>	Brooke and Clara	Elioenai and Samarrah	Eunice and Lidia	Sana and Maya	Shaista and Kaya	Amanie and Rebecca
<b>Courtesy</b>	Jeje and Suzanne	Safina and Holy	Poppy E and Lev	Jecoliah and Oscar	Janelle and Indigo	Joud and Suad

With very best wishes

Rebecca Anson  
Headteacher