



STGCS NEWS

'TO LIVE AND TO LEARN TOGETHER THROUGH OUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST'



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

Today, our school came together to mark World Mental Health Day with a bright splash of yellow and a spirit of positivity. Pupils and staff wore yellow to show support and raise awareness, while generous donations were collected to help promote mental health initiatives.

Throughout the day, children took part in special activities focused on wellbeing, mindfulness, and kindness – all alongside their regular lessons. It was a wonderful day filled with learning, reflection, and joy, reminding us all of the importance of looking after our mental health and supporting one another.

Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day so meaningful!



Learning Highlights

NURSERY

This week in Nursery, we've been enjoying the classic story "The Tiger Who Came to Tea." The children were captivated by the tale and took part in a range of creative activities inspired by it. One of the highlights was making their own tigers using a variety of materials, encouraging imagination, fine motor skills, and storytelling. It's been a fun and engaging week!



RECEPTION

This week in Reception, the children continued exploring their theme "All About Me." The children enjoyed creating their own self-portraits, using mirrors to observe their features and express themselves through art. They also had thoughtful discussions about how we are similar and different to one another, helping the children build a sense of identity and appreciation for diversity. It's been a joyful and reflective week of learning!



YEAR 1

This week in DT, Year 1 pupils explored a variety of slider mechanisms, experimenting with different designs and refining their ideas. With growing confidence and precision in using tools, the children created their own phonics slider games. These engaging creations allow pictures to align with sliding letters, helping to form words and reinforce phonics learning in a fun, hands-on way.



YEAR 2

In DT, Year 2 designed and built fairground wheels, learning about mechanisms and choosing the best materials.

In Computing, they explored everyday IT, including barcodes and scanners—acting out how they work made learning extra fun!





YEAR 3

This week, Year 3 have been learning all about seasonal foods and how to safely cut and prepare ingredients. As part of our hands-on learning, the children created delicious pastries filled with seasonal vegetables. They then evaluated their creations, thinking about taste, texture, and presentation. A fantastic way to combine food education with creativity!



YEAR 4

Year 4 had a fantastic time visiting Centre of the Cell, a science centre in East London. They explored interactive exhibits, learned about cells and the human body, and took part in hands-on activities that made Science fun and exciting. The trip sparked lots of curiosity and great questions, a brilliant day of learning and discovery!



YEAR 5

Year 5 recently enjoyed a fascinating visit to The British Museum, where they explored a range of Anglo-Saxon artefacts. The trip offered a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of this historical period and brought their classroom learning to life in a meaningful way.



YEAR 6

Our Year 6 pupils had the exciting opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament.

They explored the historic building, learned about how laws are made, and even stood in the very rooms where important decisions are taken every day.



REMINDERS

To ensure concerns are addressed appropriately, please speak directly with the relevant member of staff when dealing with any incidents involving your child. We understand the urgency in resolving issues, but kindly follow the correct channels.

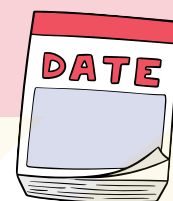
We also ask all visitors and members of our school community to treat staff with courtesy and respect. Polite and respectful communication helps us maintain a positive and welcoming environment for everyone at STGCS.

- As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child has a school coat to keep them warm at break and lunch time. Please ensure your child's name is on every item of clothing, hats and scarves included. We cannot find it if it isn't labelled.
- Please ensure that you have given us the most up to date contact information for your child's profile. Any new numbers, addresses, email addresses etc. should be given to the office. Also, remember to let us know if contacts need to be removed from the system.
- Friday 24th October is an INSET Day and there is no school for children on this day.



REMEMBER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Thursday 16th October

Year 5 Trip

Friday 17th October

@ 9am - KS2 Parent Workshop: Reading

Class Assembly: Year 1 & 2

Tuesday 21st October

Year 6 Trip

Year 3 Trip

Friday 24th October

INSET DAY - No school for children

Mon 27th October - Fri 31st October

HALF TERM

Friday 31st October

Deadline for final PGL payment