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Dear Parents

This week in our Collective Worship we have been thinking about our school's **Mission Statement**. The children have given their thoughts and ideas as to what it means to them. As usual, they were brilliant and came up with some great ideas, all of which reflect the Gospel Values that we strive towards at St George's. We're looking forward to getting some great ideas as to how they would like it to look in the school hall!

OLYMPIC VISITOR!



How exciting it was to have **Beth Tweddle** visit our school this week! We were so excited and incredibly lucky to have Beth come and talk to the children on Wednesday, and to share her amazing achievements with the children. The hall was captivated as she shared videos of her performances, including the 2012 London Olympics...and Dancing on Ice!!!

Beth talked to us about the importance of exercise, health eating and healthy living! She also shared her journey to becoming an Olympian, and world champion...**the world No1!** Hopefully our children can see that anything is possible if they set your mind to it.

Our children all received the chance of a free taster session at one of Beth's gymnastic facilities to let them try something new! It's an amazing opportunity.

Who knows, one day we could be watching some of your children fighting for world No1 status in their dream career!



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PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT

Well, it's definitely getting there! We are hoping for next week to have our playgrounds back and then we can all get back to normal. We are just waiting for confirmation of the day when the surface will be complete and for details of the playground markings. It could be that the markings get done straight away, or we'll get the playgrounds back and the markings will take place over October half term. Watch this space!

PARENT HELPERS STILL WANTED

We are always delighted to have parent helpers in our school; it's supports the valuable links between home and school, providing great benefit to the children. Parent helpers can be a huge support to help children gain confidence in reading and support reading development. If you have a free morning or afternoon, and would like to come in and help in a class, please speak to your child's class teacher. Your support is invaluable and always greatly received and welcomed.

NAMES ON UNIFORM

We mentioned this last week but we already have uniform mounting up that is lost without names! Please, please write your child's name on their uniform labels, (and shoes) with a sharpie. It's amazing what turns up in lost property but is a shame when it's left and never collected.

RECEPTION & YEAR 6 HEALTH CHECKS

We have sent letters out today regarding the annual health checks for all those children in Reception and Year 6. This is a national programme and all children will be automatically enrolled. If you don't wish your children to be included, after reading the letter, remember that you must OPT OUT. If you are happy for the school nurses to come in, then you don't need to do anything further.

REMINDERS ABOUT TWO OPPORTUNITIES



New Term Courses

St Georges

Dear parents / guardians,

Next term Active Sport are again running after-school dodgeball sessions on Mondays. These sessions are available to all year groups! To book your place, please visit www.active-sport.co.uk and click 'Find your nearest session' and click the 'Sefton' option.

Session Information:

Dates: 11th September – 16th October (6 Weeks)

Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm

Price: £28 (£4.50 per session + £1 Booking fee)

Extra Information: Please bring football/sports kit, appropriate for the weather, trainers and a drink.

For any further enquiries, Contact Active Sport Sefton - hugh@activesportsgroup.co.uk



FREE

MIDDERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

FIRE STATION OPEN DAY

Saturday, 30 September

11am - 4pm

Aintree Community Fire Station

Longmoor Lane, L9 0EN

Firefighter demonstrations, fire engine and equipment tours & much more

There are plenty of places left on the Dodge Ball, just use the links to book a place!

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NEW PARENT GOVERNOR

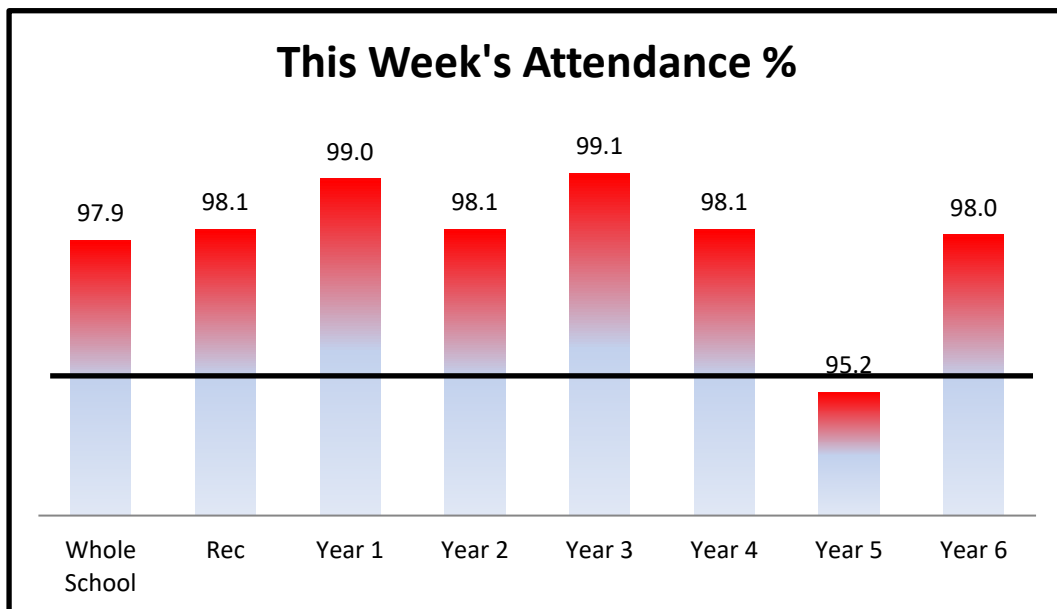
We are delighted to announce that our new Parent Governor is **Melissa Griffiths**. You'll recall that the vote took place before the summer holidays. However, as I was off ill, the votes were locked away and staff couldn't announce the result.

It was a very close-run thing with the highest number of total votes we've seen so far in a Parent election. We look forward to welcoming Melissa onto the board in October.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance can be seen below. **The school target is 96% - as represented by the black line.**

WOW – AMAZING! This is by far the best week's attendance we have seen for a very long time! Well done everyone for a superb effort! Those brains will be bursting by the end of this year. Let's see if we can keep this up. WELL DONE!



Have a lovely weekend, albeit a little cooler than last week!

Mr P. Chapman
Headteacher