



DATES

MARCH

Thursday 7th – World Book Day

Tuesday 26th – Rocksteady Concert at 10.00 am

Thursday 28th – Mrs. Daly's last day before starting Maternity leave

Thursday 28th – School closes at 1.00 pm for EASTER

Friday 29th – GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL

Monday 15th – School re-opens at 8.50 am

May

Saturday 11th – Year 4 Holy Communion

Friday 24th – HALF TERM

Saturday 25th – Year 4 Holy Communion



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COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Our Collective Worship this week was centered around the Eucharist. We discussed what this meant, what it is in mass and when we receive it. We also looked at the meaning of the word, originally from the Greek 'thanksgiving'.

Children thought and reflected on how they can give thanks, especially as we enter spring. We thought of everything we could be thankful for and how lucky we are in relation to so many others across the globe.



WORLD BOOK DAY

As if we need to remind you, but just in case, **Thursday 7th March** is World Book Day! We are dressing up this year as our favorite book characters, if you want to, as we know it doesn't suit everyone. If you don't want to dress up then school uniform is fine...no football kits!

We have an exciting day of activities all planned around books and reading, with trips to the library for some. Don't forget we also have our customary BOOK SWAP too, so please send in your book before the big day. We have attached the flyer for you onto the end of this newsletter.

LAST YOGA SESSION

We are very sad to announce that on Tuesday next week, we will be having our last yoga session from Jane Gallagher, who has been teaching the children yoga for 5 years. She has taken a new job and will no longer be able to come into school. We are looking forward to one more session before she leaves, and hope we can find a replacement soon.

WORLD WAR II DAY

What a fantastic day we had on Monday! All the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 experienced a full day of activities on a carousel. From workshops to table-top activities to handling genuine artifacts from WWII.

It was fantastic to see the children utterly engrossed in activities in the hall; under netting, passing sandbags and dressing in clothes from the time. Even the weight of the clothes is something children just wouldn't be able to imagine.



We are so thankful to have the experience come to school. This was a school trip, for 3 whole classes at a fraction of the cost. It avoided a lengthy coach ride, the expense of the coach and the lost time of the coach journey. Even to take 1 class would have been well over £20.00 a head and the children wouldn't have had anywhere near the time to enjoy.



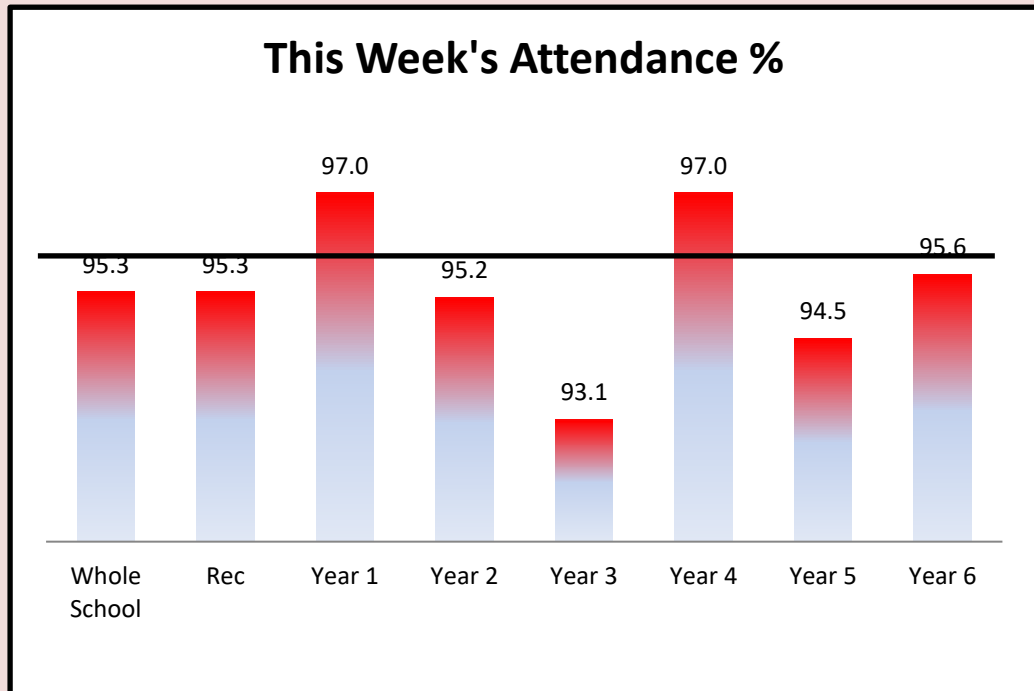
Thank you to all the parents who contributed. If you haven't yet contributed, money can still be sent into school.

SCHOOL LEVY

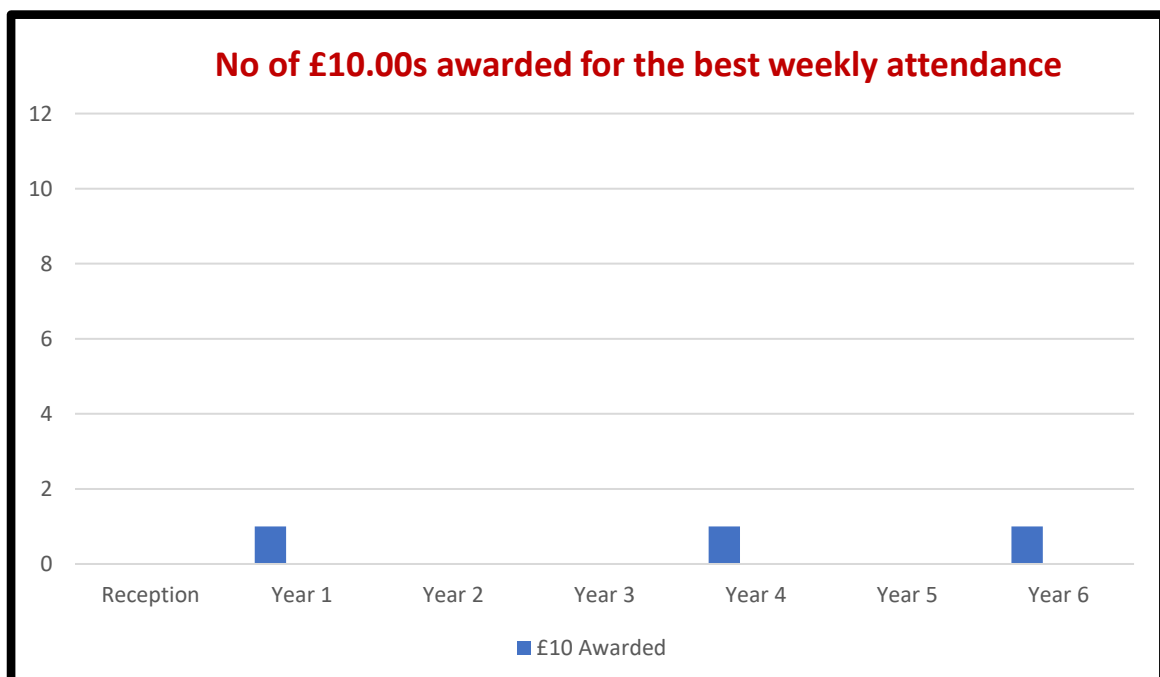
Can we please ask that 'families' pay their £10.00 contribution to the school levy? We still have over 1/2 of our families who have not paid online. This money will need to be taken out of our school funds if not paid so we would all really appreciate your support. All families in catholic schools are asked for this contribution just once a year. Since I have been Headteacher at St George's, **we've benefited from well over ½ million pounds of investment** from the Archdiocese which is only possible if we pay our annual levy. **Thank you.**

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance can be seen below. **The school target is 96% - as represented by the black line.** Our whole school attendance has gone up this week, since last week. But, only 2 classes have surpassed our target!



WELL DONE to YEAR 1 and YEAR 4 – you've both won the 'attendance tenner' this week! Save it up and see how much you've won by the end of the year!



The St George's BOOK SWAP!

On World Book Day: Thursday 7th March

Swap Guide:

1. Children to bring to school pre-loved books (any fiction & non-fiction) on or before **Tuesday 6th March**. *Books must be in good condition. Children can donate as many books as they want but will only be able to take a maximum of 3 home (if they donated at least 3 books).
2. Children to give their books to the class teacher and exchange for a 'Swap Token'.
3. Children will browse and choose the books they want from the Swap Hall during the school day on World Book Day.
4. Leftover books will be added to our Book Swap boxes and class libraries for children to continue to access all year round.

Many thanks!

