



Newsletter No: 21

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## Weekly Merit Certificates

Butterflies: Sienna      Fireflies: Leo & Elsie  
Dragonflies: Georgia C      Ladybirds: Jenson & Katie



**Weekly Attendance Award: Dragonflies 98.62%**

Dear Families,

We can't quite believe we are halfway through the academic year already. There are lots of things going on this half term. Please keep an eye out for further information about how our schools are celebrating World Book Day, Science Week and Sport Relief in the coming weeks.

We have also organised a **Parent Workshop** to discuss the new requirements of the Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education (RSHE) curriculum. We advertised last half term that we have an event on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm at St Germans Academy**. All parents from across our schools are welcome to attend and we would encourage as many of you as possible to attend to hear about the changes and have your input in how we shape the curriculum to best suit the children at our schools.

It is really important that we work in partnership with parents and carers, informing them about what their children will be learning and about how they can contribute at home. We are keen to promote an age-and-stage appropriate curriculum, ensuring our children are as safe, happy and healthy as possible. In surveys, young people have said school is their first choice for RSHE, followed by their parents. We are keen to work with our parents to explore your ideas about ensuring the new legislation is embedded in the best possible way, as well as providing an opportunity to see some of the teaching resources and learn about how to build on the teaching at home.

- Do you want to see the new draft school policy on RSHE?
- Would you like more information about what and how the school teaches RSHE?
- Do you want more support to help you talk to your child about RSHE issues at home?

If you have any further questions about the workshop or are unable to attend the event but would like to discuss this further please make an appointment with Louise or Suzie through the school offices.

Miss Hayes and Mrs Arrowsmith  
Heads of School

### **Next Week ...**

Pupil Progress Meeting **RED WEEK**  
Mon ~ Friends of the School Film Night  
Thurs ~ World Book Day  
Fri ~ Omnes Volleyball Event for selected children

### Board of Superhero Learners

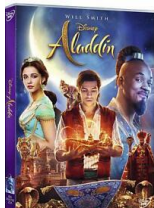
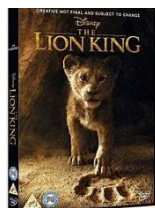
This week the following children's work has been displayed on the Board of Superhero Learners:

**Amelia, Harry W,  
Ethan, Robert, Olivia O  
& Isla -Mae.** Well done.



### Friends of the School Film Night

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March the Friends of the School are having a film night, watching The Lion King or Aladdin. If you have not bought tickets yet they are available from the school office and cost £2.50 per ticket Popcorn and drink provided.



### Upcoming Deadlines

Please remember the deadline to apply for a space to run the Mini Gear in aid of St Germans Academy is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March.  
The deadline for the Norse Short Story Competition for World Book Day is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March.  
If you would like information for either of these events, please see the school office for a new letter.

### Wet Weather Gear

We are currently approaching local businesses for donations to help us fund wet weather gear for all classes to use for their outdoor learning. If you think your place of work would be interested in sponsoring us then please speak to the office. In addition, any donations from parents would be gratefully received.

We would like to say a big



to AMR who have kindly donated £200.00 to St Germans Academy towards wet weather gear for the children.

### Pupil Progress Meetings

The next round of Pupil Progress meetings start next week with **Red Week**, if you have any questions about your appointment time or day please see the school office.

### Ladybirds Holt Hall Residential

Please continue making payments to the office for this trip, remembering to send in your payment cards for updating the balance. We ask that you have paid £100.00 before we break up for the Easter Holidays and the remainder is paid before we go to Holt Hall. If you have any worries or issues with this, please speak to the school office.

Thank you.



**Holt Hall**

## SAT Booster Sessions at St Germans



Year 6 SATs sessions have started.  
YEAR 6 - SATS BOOSTER  
SESSIONS 3:15-4:30pm on  
Wednesdays; 04/03/20, 11/03/20,  
18/03/20, 25/03/20, 01/04/20,  
22/04/20, 29/04/20 06/05/20.  
Please see Miss Burrell if you have  
problems attending these dates.  
Thank you



## End of Term Assembly

Our end of term Celebration  
Assembly is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March  
starting at 9.15am in the school  
hall. All friends & family Welcome.

## Sickness Absence

Parents are reminded to ring the  
school every day before 9.00am if  
your child is unable to attend due to  
sickness. If you leave a message on  
the answerphone please give the  
specific reason for the  
absence. Thank you.



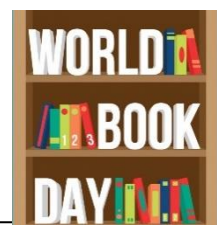
**Important**

## May Day Bank Holiday

Please remember the May Day Bank  
Holiday this year has been changed  
to **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**. This is due to  
the 75th anniversary of VE Day  
commemorations.

## World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day we are holding a competition, full information  
about the competition was sent home with your child today and is attached to  
this newsletter. We are also holding a bring and buy book stall. Please can any  
book donations be brought to the school office. It would be great if every child  
could donate 1 book. Children will be given the chance to buy a book from the  
stall during the afternoon, with all books priced at 50p. Parents are invited in  
from 2pm to 'share a story' with children and to join in with class book related  
activities. There will be refreshments served in the hall. If you would like to  
make a cake for the refreshment stall it would be  
greatly appreciated. Finally we will be having the  
Grand Opening of the new Reading Pod at 2.45pm.  
We hope you can join us to celebrate World Book Day.





## Diary Dates:

**SATs Booster Sessions for Year 6 on Wednesdays starting 26th February**

### March

- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ Friends of the School Film Night
- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ Next round of Pupil Progress Meetings start with **RED WEEK**
- Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> ~ World Book Day
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Omnes Volleyball for Selected Children
- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> ~ RHSE Parent Information Meeting
- Wed 11<sup>th</sup> ~ Music Live 2020 Event for KS2 children at St Germans
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Dance Festival at King's Lynn Corn Exchange
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> ~ Dragonflies Trip ~ Billionaire Boy ~ More Details to Follow
- Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> to Fri 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Mother's Day Lunch Week
- Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Friends of the School Easter Disco
- Tues 24<sup>th</sup> ~ First Aid Training for children
- Mon 30<sup>th</sup> ~ End of Term Assembly

### April

- Wed 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Tri - Golf Festival for Selected Children in Years 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Wed 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Break up for Easter
- Mon 20<sup>th</sup> ~ Return to School
- Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Friends of the School Meeting
- Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ Class Photographs including Preschool and Year 6 Leavers
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> ~ School Nurse to see Reception Children ~ Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing Check.
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Crucial Crew Event for Year 6 children

### May

- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Omnes New Age Kurling for Selected Children
- Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ Mini Gear Run
- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> ~ Friends of the School Film Night
- Fri 8<sup>th</sup> ~ May Day Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Fri 15<sup>th</sup> ~ Year 6 SATs Week
- Wed 20<sup>th</sup> ~ Year 6 London Leavers Trip
- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Break up for half term.

### June

**Key Stage 2 Booster swimming this half term on Wednesdays**

- Mon 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Return to School
- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> to Fri 5<sup>th</sup> ~ Ladybirds Residential Trip
- Fri 5<sup>th</sup> ~ Omnes Ultimate Frisbee for Selected Dragonflies Children