



St Giles School News February 2017

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Valentine's Disco

Our Valentine's Disco will be held on Saturday 4th February from 4pm-6pm. All pupils are invited and they are welcome to bring along friends if they wish to (maximum 4 tickets per family). Children must be accompanied by an adult.

If any parents/carers are interested in making or donating cakes for the disco, please could you send them into school on Friday 3rd February.

Tickets cost £3 per child and £2 per adult which includes the cost of food—please return reply slips as soon as possible.



St Giles Pamper Evening

On Thursday 23rd March we will be holding a Pamper Evening in conjunction with Croydon College Hair & Beauty Salon for both parents and staff (male & female) at school from 6pm until 9pm. We will be offering a range of different therapies including mini facials, mini pedicures, Shellac nails, Indian head massage and even threading. We will also offer complimentary refreshments, free sensory swimming, raffle and beauty products. There is a £2 entrance fee and small charges for therapies and treatments.

Sign up sheets will be available and sent home from the week beginning Monday 20th February.



LOOKING AHEAD—Dates for the Diary

February 2017

Fri 3rd: Cake donation for Valentine's Disco
Sat 4th: Valentine's Disco
Fri 10th: Term ends 3.30pm
Mon 13th-17th: Half Term
Mon 20th: Term begins
Fri 24th: MUFTI Day for Pamper Ev

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Thurs 2nd: World Book Day
Swimathon
Wed 8th: Panathlon
Fri 10th: MUFTI Day for Pamper Ev

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Mon 13th: Science & Engineering Week
Wed 15th: London Boccia Final
Thurs 23rd: Primary Wheelpower Sports Event
Pamper Evening
Comic Relief
Fri 24th: Easter Assembly
Fri 31st: Terms Ends 3.30pm

April 2017

Tues 18th: Term begins



St Giles Parent Group with Carole Webster Croydon Welfare Rights

We are looking forward to welcoming Carole to our forthcoming coffee morning on Tuesday 7th February (10.30am) where she will be talking to parents & carers who have queries regarding **Universal Credit**. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions relating to other benefits. A letter has been sent home with your child. Please complete the slip and return to school as soon as possible.

Informal Makaton Refresher—Thursday 9th February (10:30-11.30am)

Following on from Informal Makaton Taster for Beginners, St Giles are offering parents and carers the opportunity to take part in an Informal Makaton Refresher. During this session, you will consolidate the signs you have learnt already and have the opportunity to request and learn signs that you would like to use at home. A letter has been sent home with your child. Please complete the slip and return to school as soon as possible.

Heathcoat Cup Boccia Tournament

Huge congratulations to Jamie and Abdul who competed for the first time in an individual boccia competition. Both boys are no strangers to team competitions, but this was the first time they had to compete on their own without the support of their team mates.

The Heathcoat Cup is a new competition open to all impairment groups (BC1-8). The tournament was held at Surrey Sports Park in Guildford and there were many competitors in various age groups take part. We are very proud of the boys as they did exceptionally well in their first attempt playing at this level. Abdul progressed to the Semi finals and Jamie missed out on a Semi final place being beaten by the eventual winner in his category.



WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

World Book Day - On Thursday 2nd March, St Giles will be holding a World Book Day. Pupils will be dressing up as their favourite book characters. More information and helpful hints to follow soon but now is a good time to start planning your costumes. Each child will receive a book token.

St Giles Panathlon

Our Panathlon team were in action for the first round of the Panathlon Challenge 2017, where they faced teams from Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham. Once again we teamed up with students from Priory School and Riddlesdown Collegiate to create "Team Croydon".

Our pupils did incredibly well and all performed to the very best of their ability. Special mention should be made to our Boccia and Polybat team who won their events on the day.

Croydon won the first round with maximum points, winning every event! This means that we now progress to the next round in the Champions League on 8th March at Crystal Palace. The winner of that event will then get the chance to be crowned overall champions at the Grand Final at the Copper Box in June.



Fingers crossed for the 8th March.