



# St Giles School News November 2017

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Specialist School for Physical and Sensory

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**Open Morning—Friday 3rd November 2017**

We hold two Open Mornings each year to allow visitors to look around the school and find out more about us. Our next Open Morning is this Friday from 10am-11.30am. This is a great chance to show friends and relatives the school and will also be an opportunity for prospective parents and professionals who work in other schools, colleges, nurseries and children’s centres to visit the school. Do come and join us.

**St Giles very own  
Children in Need day  
Friday 17th November**

Help us raise £500  
for our own very special children.

We will not be running a Christmas Bazaar this year. Instead we are holding a Children in Need event for our own very special children. We need to raise £30,000 to resurface an area damaged by tree roots and create a brand new sensory garden and outdoor learning space.

**Quiz Night**

Tickets are still available for our Quiz Night on Friday 24th November when we will be raising money for our sensory garden.

Tickets are £10 each and include a meal (just bring your own drinks). Please send in your money in an envelope with your name and number on it. Come as a team of 6-8 people or join a team when you get here. We really hope that you can join us.

**Please send your child in with £5.**

They can wear their favourite dressing up clothes, pyjamas or silly outfit. There will be games to play, a cake stall, Lucky Dip, a prize square game and lots more fun.

**LOOKING AHEAD—Dates for the Diary**

<b><u>November 2017</u></b>		<b><u>December 2017</u></b>	
<b>Fri 3rd</b>	Open Morning (10-11.30am)	<b>Weds 20th</b>	Nativity Assembly Christmas Singalong
<b>Fri 10th</b>	‘We Remember’ Assembly		
<b>Fri 17th</b>	Children in Need		
<b>Fri 24th</b>	Quiz Night		
<b><u>December 2017</u></b>		<b><u>January 2018</u></b>	
<b>Fri 1st</b>	Christmas Tree John Fisher Choir Old Scholars	<b>Wed 3rd</b>	School begins
<b>Mon 4th</b>	Primary Show Week		
<b>Fri 15th</b>	Christmas Lunch & Disco		
<b>Mon 18th</b>	Certificate Assembly & Raffle Draw Class Parties & Father Christmas		



## MERU Charity

MERU Charity are offering a FREE service to families to adapt toys so that a large button or switch will make it work, which makes it easier to use. Toys need to reach them by **8th December 2017**. Go to [www.meru.org.uk](http://www.meru.org.uk) or call 01372 725 203 to find out more. Please don't forget to include your name and address with the toy.

MERU also have a range of pre-adapted switch accessible toys available for sale.

## School Photographer

The school photographer will be coming to St Giles on Thursday 16th November. Please could all the children come into school in their correct uniform and send in a hair brush so that we can make sure they look neat and tidy for the photograph. Many thanks



## 'We Remember' Assembly

November is often a time for remembering family and friends who have died. Our assembly on 10th November is called 'We Remember', a special assembly for children and staff to remember St Giles' pupils who have died and who have a special place in our memories. Please contact Caroline Horgan, Deputy Head Teacher, if you have any questions about this.



## Carpets!

We have been given a brand new roll of beige carpet that would fit a small room. If you are interested and would like to make a small donation, please contact Hazel (Family Support) on 0208 680 2141.



## Harvest Festival

Thank you to all parents, carers and staff who provided dried and tinned goods for the Purley Food Hub. These items will be distributed to help people in crisis who are without food. They may have been unemployed, been sick or had a sudden change in their domestic circumstances.

## Parent/Carer Workshops

### Friday 24th November

PSHE Workshop

10.15am-12pm

### Thursday 30th November

Joint Carers Centre Workshop 10am-12pm

For parents of children and young people in Croydon Special Schools. Please come along to hear from a variety of speakers who will be discussing Epilepsy, Croydon CAMHS Service, General Health, Mental Health, Cerebral Palsy and Weight Management.