



St Giles School News November 2018

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Specialist School for Physical and Sensory

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Open Morning—Friday 2nd November 2018

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 10 -11.45am. 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.

Early Years Coffee Morning

Parents and carers of children in the Early Years department are invited to a special assembly and coffee morning on Friday 30th November.

The assembly starts at 10am, and will be followed by time to meet with other parents and carers.



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.

Last year we raised £830.00 towards the new sensory playground.

This year we are fundraising to transform the hall into a sensory environment for PE, shows and drama.

Please send your child in with £5.

They can wear their favourite dressing up clothes, pyjamas or silly outfit. There will be lots of fun activities across the day.



LOOKING AHEAD—Dates for the Diary December 2018

November 2018

Fri 2nd	Open Morning (10-11.45am)
Fri 9th	‘We Remember’ Assembly
Fri 16th	Children in Need
Fri 30th	Early Years Coffee Morning John Fisher Carol Singers Old Scholars

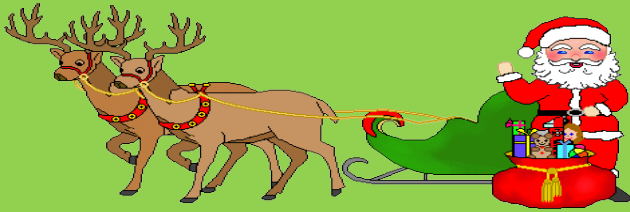
Mon 10th	Primary Show Week
Mon 17th	Class Parties & Father Christmas
Thu 20th	Christmas Lunch & Disco
Fri 21st	Nativity Assembly & Christmas Singalong

Mon 24th Dec– Fri 4th Jan 2019

January 2019

Mon 7th	School begins
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Early Years are planning a trip to visit Santa's Grotto at Woodcote Green Garden Centre on 26th and 27th November.



Secondary Department

As part of the Secondary Department's Black History Month Celebrations, students took part in a range of poetry workshops. Across the day, students wrote and performed poems about their favourite things and took part in call and response activities using percussion instruments. Thank you to Darren from Well Versed Ink for facilitating the inclusive workshops.

Arts Council England

Our school was visited by two senior members of the Arts Council England. Anne Appelbaum & Emily Jordan, took part in a tour of the school to see the fantastic creative practice that all students take part in. They commended our creative work highly and we look forward to working with them more in the future.

Intensive Interaction

Thank you to Louise, Maggie, Cassandra, Helen and Tracey for making our first Intensive Interaction café a success.

These TAs completed a six week course in Intensive Interaction in the summer term, which enabled them to share Information and give advice to other staff members in school.



'We Remember' Assembly

November is often a time for remembering family and friends who have died. Our assembly on 9th 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.



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, sick or had a sudden change in their domestic circumstances.

Reading Volunteers required for Secondary Department

Our Secondary Department are desperately seeking 'Reading Volunteers' to hear the children read. Would you be able to spare some time on either a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday (term time only) between 9.15am-12:00pm? Please explore our website and then, if you feel it is something you could do, contact Joni Campbell (email: jcampbell15.306@lgflmail.org or telephone 0208 680 2141). We are sure you would love the experience of being a part of St Giles!