



# St Giles School News March 2019



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**Specialist School for Physical and Sensory** 

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## **WORLD BOOK DAY 2019**

It's 'World Book Day' on Thursday 7th March.

We will be organising LOTS of different activities on the day, and at the end of the day we will be holding a 'Cake and Book Sale' to raise funds for 'Book Aid International.'

If you have any 'newish' books, in good condition, that you are happy to donate, we would love to have them. Staff and pupils can dress up as their favourite book character and bring in a small donation.

#### **BOCCIA**

On Wednesday 27th February the St Giles Boccia team, comprising of Abdul, Sana, Esther and Daniel, played in the London Youth Games Boccia competition in Westway. After enduring a very long, competitive day in which they played brilliantly, our skilful Boccia players smashed it and won 7 of the 8 matches! They are now through to the London finals. We are very proud of the students stamina and determination to win.



# LOOKING AHEAD—Dates for the Diary

#### **March 2019**

Fri 1st Mufti day

Thu 7th World book day

Fri 8th Mufti day
Sat 9th Spring disco
Fri 15th Comic relief

### **APRIL 2019**

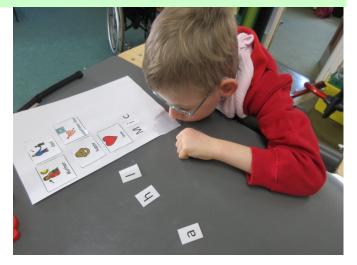
Thu 4th Easter Bunny
Fri 5th Easter Assembly

Easter holidays Mon 8th Apr—Mon 22nd Apr

#### **Primary Valentine Assembly**

On Friday 8th February, Primary held a special assembly all about the people whom they love. Green class gave a brief history about **St Valentine** and they invited parents along to come and receive gifts from their children. During the week, the children made gifts for the people they loved. The gifts ranged from chocolates to handmade flowers and even a song from Red class. After the Assembly, parents were invited to class to share a cup of tea and some biscuits.





**Making Chocolates** 

Making a Valentine's card

#### **Comic Relief 2019**

Comic relief 2019 is on Friday 15th March.

We will be fundraising for Charities helping various projects across the world. There will be lots of activities taking place in the class-room and children and staff can wear red clothes for a contribution of £1.00.



Since the launch in 1988, Red Nose Day has become something of a British institution. It is the day every two years, when people across the land can get together and raise money at home, school and work.

There is a fantastic night on TV on the BBC with comedy and entertainment to inspire the nation to donate generously.

Comic relief spends the money raised by Red Nose Day to help people with tough lives across the UK and internationally.

#### Discount boost for under-18s with disabilities

A nationwide combined discount and identity card for children with a disability has become free for the first time after a ground breaking deal between a charity and Croydon Council.

Croydon children on the council's register of under-18s with a severe or moderate disability can now get an Access Card for free, which usually costs £15 every three years for anyone else in the country. The card offers nationwide cut-price tickets to disabled children and concessions for their companions on entertainment ranging from West End theatres to sports matches and music festivals. The new arrangement with charity Nimbus Disability means that when they join the Council's disability register they get the Access Card and related benefits for free. Currently there are around 1,000 children on Croydon's register, which helps the council to plan its services and keep residents informed about its work.

The Access Card is widely accepted as proof of a disabled person's needs, and provides access to concessions such as free companion passes and tickets. The card has symbols which confirm a person's needs to inform providers quickly and discreetly about the support that may be required. To qualify for the free Access Card, a child or young person must be aged 18 or under, a borough resident and be diagnosed with a permanent and substantial disability.

For more information on the scheme, visit the https://www.croydon.gov.uk/accesscard