

St Giles' C of E Newsletter



"They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

Jeremiah 17:8

Message from Mr Pipe

A very exciting week this week! On Tuesday, we welcomed Roger Collins from STEMpoint, to introduce our Year 5 and 6 pupils to the K'NEX challenge. The K'NEX Challenge is a national competition that over 150 schools nationally have taken part in. The winners from our school (Arthur and Nicholas Year 6) and (Dolceanna and Bea Year 5) who will now be entered into the national portion of the competition. Well done to all of the children who engaged brilliantly with the day and, as always, represented our school wonderfully.

Another piece of exciting news is that the second phase of our Wall Art installation has been completed today. There was much excitement as the children saw the progress throughout the day. Please see the pictures below of our fab new corridors and library! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Joan Badger Trust, who have paid for the entirety of the Wall Art installation.

You may be able to catch a glimpse of the new Wall Art on Tuesday. Parents and carers are invited to join us on Pancake Day (Tuesday 4th March) and have some delicious breakfast pancakes at our Breakfast Club. Pancakes will be served from 8:30am until 8:50am.

From next Wednesday afternoon until Friday evening, I shall be on a Headteacher's training residential. Mrs Dowdall will be on the school gate in the morning and available after school.

Have a wonderful weekend.





Rewarding Attendance

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Your child will have a chance to enter the 100% weekly attendance draw. If your child has attended school all week, they will enter a draw and have the opportunity to win a small prize weekly; furthermore, their name will be entered into an end-of-term draw to win a £25.00 Amazon voucher, which will pay for any board game, sports equipment, or book they desire.

Winners of the week!!!!

- **Penelope**
- **Justina**

Every School Day Counts



Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

"THIS MORNING, HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT SCHOOL... BUT LOOK AT HIM NOW!"

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

HM Government
Head to the Education Hub to find out more.

NHS



Celebration Certificate

winners

Theme: Friendship

Linked to school values: Kindness

Reception & Year 1: Arlo E. for being a good friend and gifting to others.

Year 2: Bethany for always being kind to others and being a role model on how to be a good friend.

Year 3: Elijah for being kind to others in the class and being a good friend.

Year 4: Albert for being a kind friend and encouraging another child to focus in a lesson.

Year 5: Asteria for being a good friend to others in the class when they are feeling sad or alone.

Year 6: Penelope for being a good friend to everyone in school.

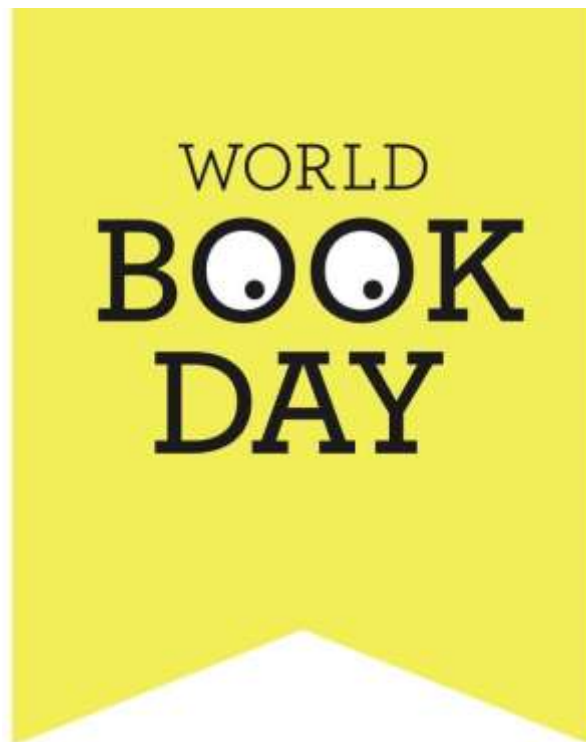
Coach Alex's PE Superstar: Lily F. for being a good friend in PE.

JOIN US FOR PANCAKE DAY on Tuesday 4th March



Parents/Carers are welcome to join us for pancake breakfast in the school hall on Tuesday 4th March from 8.30 a.m.–8.50 a.m.

World Book Day Thursday 6th March



World Book Day is on 6th March 2025. This year at St. Giles' we are holding a special surprise reading event for pupils in school.

We are also inviting children to also bring in their favourite book from home and they are also allowed to dress up on the day as something that represents a character, book, word or anything linked to reading.

We hope this will be another exciting and engaging learning opportunity for the children here at St. Giles’.

Please also find a link to the World Book Day website, which includes resources, events and online talks and discussions which you and your children may find interesting.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

National College
& resources for parents & carers

Free training



We’re delighted to let you know that St. Giles’ has become a member of The National College—a multi-award-winning online training provider for staff and parents. What does this mean for you? As part of our membership, The National College provides dedicated training and resources for parents and carers—particularly around online safety and keeping children safe online.

Signing up for the platform is simple. Just follow nationalcollege.com and complete your details. Once you’re set up, you’ll be able to choose ‘Parent/Carer’ as your user type and get instant access to all training and resources absolutely free of charge to you.

Download the app for free Another fantastic benefit of The National College is its National Online Safety app, which you can download for free. It gives you access to all their parent and carer resources on the go, whenever you want.

You can download the National Online Safety app using the links below: • App store • Google Play

We hope you’ll sign up and make the most of the free resources National College has to offer.



Online Safety

What Parents and Educators Need to Know About WhatsApp

 Podcast  0 min

1 - <https://open.spotify.com/episode/3vVdoXcskr6te9p9OWP4uQ?si=OpAz7NtS6OVjiUa-buNRq>

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about WHATSAPP

13+ (Age Restriction)

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- EVOLVING SCAMS**
- CONTACT FROM STRANGERS**
- FAKE NEWS**
- CHAT LOCK AND SECRET CODES**
- VIEW ONCE CONTENT**
- VISIBLE LOCATION**

Advice for Parents & Educators

- EMPHASISE CAUTION**
- ADJUST THE SETTINGS**
- CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY**
- DISCUSS GROUP CHATS**
- THINK BEFORE SHARING**

Meet Our Expert

WakeUp Wednesday The National College

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School Houses

1st Phoenix

2nd Griffin

3rd Dragon

4th Pegasus



2 - Phoenix House



3 - Griffin House



4 - Dragon House



5 - Pegasus House

This week in photos









6 - Cooking clubs Scones this week.





7 - Class 2 Maths Lesson

P T A MOVIE NIGHT

MARCH

£5.00 incl. Pizza, Ice-lolly & Drink

Friday 7th

4.30 to 6.30 pm



Please purchase your tickets from the school office.

School Clubs—Spring Term 2025

PLEASE KEEP THIS SHEET so you have a copy of all the club information

Clubs will start w/c Tuesday 7th January and finish Friday 3rd April 2025

There will be no after-school clubs on 4th due to an early finish of 1.30pm.

All clubs must be paid and registered in advance

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	Club	Available To	Times	Led By	Cost
Monday	Drama Lunch Club	All	12.30 - 1.15	Barry-Eyed drama	£3.60 per session (£3 for siblings) Please pay Mrs Wierlan
Monday	After School Club	All	3.30 - 4.15	Jodie Franklin/Molly Morrison	£2 per session to be paid and registered in advance on Arbor
Monday	Sports Skills	All	3.30 - 4.15	Cliff Wing	£2 per session to be paid and registered in advance on Arbor
Tuesday	Unihoc Per half-term	All	3.30 - 4.15	Project Player Sports	PLEASE PAY DIRECT TO PPS
Tuesday	After School Club	All	3.30 - 4.15	Jodie Franklin/Molly Morrison	£2 per session to be paid and registered in advance on Arbor
Tuesday	Science Lunch Club	All	12.30 - 1.05	Miss Apostol	£2 per session (£6 sessions) paid and registered in advance on Arbor
Wednesday	Dodgeball	All	3.30 - 4.30	Coach Alex	£45 Per term Pay on Arbor
Thursday	Multi-Sport Per half-term	All	3.30 - 4.15	Project Player Sports	PLEASE PAY DIRECT TO PPS
Thursday	Cooking Club Spaces limited to 12 per half-term (We will hold a waiting list)	All	3.30 - 4.15	Vanna Spryngs / Jodie Franklin	£21.00 per Half-term (£ x sessions)
Thursday	Book Club	All	3.30 - 4.15	Lila Bernath	£2 Per session to be paid and registered in advance on Arbor
Friday	Football training A&G Boys Team Girls Team	K&R	3.20 - 4.15pm	Jodie and Coach Alex	FREE
Friday	After School Club	All	3.30 - 4.15pm	Molly Morrison/Lila Bernath	£2 per session to be paid and registered in advance on Arbor



TENNIS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

TENNIS CLUB IS OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN IN RECEPTION - YEAR 6 (BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME)

TUESDAY 3:20PM - 4:15PM
25TH FEBRUARY - 1ST APRIL

TO SIGN UP, PLEASE CONTACT ALEX - 07703 438 659
PROJECTPLAYERSPORTS@GMAIL.COM

THE COST OF THE 6 SESSIONS IS £36

PLEASE INCLUDE: CHILD'S NAME, SCHOOL, YEAR, EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS AND ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS



MULTI SPORT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

MULTI-SPORTS IS OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN IN RECEPTION - YEAR 6 (BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME)

THURSDAY 3:20PM - 4:15PM
27TH FEBRUARY - 3RD APRIL

TO SIGN UP, PLEASE CONTACT ALEX - 07703 438 659
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THE COST OF THE 6 SESSIONS IS £36

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School Lunch Menu

HCL		Winter Menu 2024-2025				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	MAIN MEAL 1	Breaded Chicken G/ifi	Chicken Pie	Roast Beef with Gravy	Quorn Hot Dog	Battered Fish Fillet
	MAIN MEAL 2	Margherita Wrap	Veggie Sausage Bow Pasta	Shepherd's Pie	Egg Breakfast Muffin	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
	SIDE DISH	Shrimp and White Rice or Potato Shrimp	Diced Potatoes	Roast Potatoes or Wholesome Pasta	Penne Pasta or Hash Browns	Potato Wedges or Tricolor Pasta
	COLD OPTION	Tuna Roll	Cheese Spread Sandwich	Ham Roll	Cheese Bapquette	Egg Roll
	EXTRA OPTION	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)
WEEK 2	MAIN MEAL 1	Veggie Sausages & Gravy	Chicken Pasta Bake	Roast Pork with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger in a Bun	Harry Ramsden's Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake
	MAIN MEAL 2	Macaroni Cheese	Homemade Veggie Sausage Roll & Gravy	Roast Quorn Fillet with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Tomato Bolognese	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
	SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes or Garlic Bread	Penne Pasta or Diced Potatoes	Roast Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Potato Wedges or Spaghetti	Potato Wedges or Tricolor Pasta
	COLD OPTION	Cheese Bapquette	Ham Roll	Cheese Spread Sandwich	Tuna Roll	Egg Roll
	EXTRA OPTION	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)
WEEK 3	MAIN MEAL 1	Pork Sausages with Gravy	Quorn Burger in a Bun	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fillet Fingers
	MAIN MEAL 2	Cheese Prawnwell	Italian Pasta Bake	Creamy Quorn Pie	Breaded Bean and Vegetable Gali	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
	SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes or Potato Shrimp	Potato Wedges or Herby Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholesome Pasta	Spaghetti or Diced Potatoes	Oven Chips or Tricolor Pasta
	COLD OPTION	Tuna Roll	Cheese Spread Sandwich	Ham Roll	Cheese Bapquette	Egg Roll
	EXTRA OPTION	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)	Jacket Potato (Various Toppings)

Seasonal vegetables and a variety of salads are served daily.
 ☺ = Vegetarian ☹ = Vegan

We are proud to use the following food brands:

We are accredited by:

Week 1: 4 Nov, 25 Nov, 16 Dec, 5 Dec, 27 Jan, 24 Feb, 17 Mar
 Week 2: 11 Nov, 2 Dec, 17 Jan, 3 Feb, 3 Mar, 24 Mar
 Week 3: 18 Nov, 9 Dec, 20 Jan, 10 Feb, 30 Mar, 31 Mar

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SUPER CURRY HOUSE LUNCH!

Curry & Rice, Chicken Curry, Vegetarian Curry, and other dishes with side options like 'Rice & Beans' and 'Rice & Noodles'.

8 - NEW LUNCH MENU FROM APRIL 2025

Dates for your diary...

Pancake breakfast in the school hall Tuesday, 4th March 8.30-8.50 am.

Royal Albery Hall rehearsals—**Choir** please arrive to school at 8.15 am Wednesday 5th March.

World Book Day Thursday 6th March.

KS1 Sports Festival Friday 7th March

PTA Movie Night Friday 7th March.

C3 Food-Tech trip to Pizza Express 11th March.

Parent Consultation Wednesday, 12th March, and Thursday, 13th March.



PROJECT PLAYERS SPORTS

FUTURE STARS

SESSION ONE 9:15AM - 9:45AM
3 - 4 YEARS OLD - £5

SESSION TWO 10:00AM - 11:00AM
4 - 6 YEARS OLD - £7

PAY TO PLAY
NO MONTHLY FEES

SUNDAY MORNING

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Hatfield Bowls Club

1 College Lane, Hatfield, Herts, AL10 9PJ

Junior Bowls Coaching every Saturday 10am to 12pm - age 7 upwards welcome, come along, try indoor bowls and have some fun with other young people!

Equipment provided - just bring a change of shoes
Qualified Coaches - DBS checked
Coaching, fun bowls and competitions
Parent/Guardian must stay for whole session

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