



St George's School

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Prayer for the week

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

*2 Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.*

3 Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his

From the Headmistress

As I sat in the back of the summer music concert in June, not only was I struck by the amazing music (made even more special by the kind donation of a new piano for the Chapel from the PSA), but also by a

young lady who was also sitting at the back. I am guessing she may have been in the region of 3 or 4 years of age. For the first two or three pieces in the concert she sat quietly, and seemed to be listening attentively to what was going on. After the orchestra had finished the boys' choir took their places. Suddenly flashes of curly hair caught my eye, as the young lady in question rose to her feet, stood on the chair, placed a huge grin on her face, and waved frantically and enthusiastically towards the front of the Chapel. She continued to stand energetically bobbing up and down in time to the music, smiling wildly and at the end, clapped vigorously and waved frantically once more. I must say she was very cute. I was struck by her uninhibited display of affection towards her brother, but perhaps more importantly how important it is to have people standing up for us, or by our side and enthusiastically encouraging us. That visual display of support is at times what keep us going; makes us smile silently inside, and helps us get through the more difficult times.

One of those organisations that encourages us from the side is Cecil Grant. Their financial giving is one thing, but at this time of year they also provide us with two small tokens for us to award to members of staff who have gone above and beyond in providing support and opportunity for the student body. This year they have chosen to acknowledge the contribution made by Tony Magee (senior caretaker) and Emma Sabato (Deputy Head of Grant).

Perhaps this year you have cheered us on from the side lines in sport; sent encouraging messages to staff; supported your child in partnership with us through difficult times; attended a PSA event; made donations through Cecil Grant; watched a great play (or two) or shared with us in listening to some great music. Whatever support you have given to the school and members of our wider community can I say a heart-felt thank you. We have loved partnering with you this year.

So have a fab summer.....explore new parts of the country and world; spend time doing different things to the usual; create space to talk and listen to each other and have a laugh together.

For me.....I'm off to pitch my tent in a field near Swanage.....and if the biggest decision I have to make is G+T or glass of wine.....I will be a happy woman!

Best Wishes

Miss B

Psfor those who are counting.....3 terms down.....27 to go!

Click on the link [MissB_at_StGs](#) and follow me on Twitter

Please be reminded that should you wish to contact the Headmistress you may do so via her PA's confidential email account admin@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE EMAIL ADDRESS hbarton@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk WHICH IS NO LONGER IN USE.

News and Events

Sailing Match

Last Wednesday, the school had a sailing match against Watford Grammar Boys school at Rickmansworth. We had quite an inexperienced...

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Reply With A Full Stop If You Get This

I wonder if your son or daughter mentioned to you that last week was Mental Health Awareness Week at...

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Arkwright Engineering Scholarship

The Arkwright Engineering Scholarship is the most prestigious scholarship of its type in the UK to inspire and nurture school-age students...

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The Wellbeing Village

Working in partnership STAGS, St Albans Plus and DSPL7 would like to invite parents and professionals to.....



The Wellbeing Village

Thursday 18th October 2018 – 2.30pm – 7pm

St Albans Girls' School

A village of professionals dedicated to providing external support to children and families in need of wellbeing/mental health support. Come and talk to the professionals and/or sign up for a specific talk/workshop, led by accredited professionals in the field of mental health and wellbeing.

Step 2, St Albans Plus, Families First, The Ollie Foundation, The Wellbeing Team, Eating Disorders Team, St Albans LGBT, School Health/nursing, YCHerts, Youthtalk, Police, SEN Team, Missing People, ADD-Vance, Mind, Herts Young Homeless, SARC, Educational Psychology, ESMA, Families Feeling Safe, How to Thrive, Families in Focus, and many more...

Please do come along at any time and talk to professionals in the village or to book onto the talks/workshops below please e-mail Sally Molloy at sjm@stags.herts.sch.uk. Workshops/talks will run at 4pm, 5pm and 6pm and run for 45 minutes. Access to the village and all workshops/talks are free of cost. Refreshments will be available to purchase from our Restaurant.

We look forward to seeing you there!

WORKSHOPS/TALKS	Dads and Teens	Spot the Signs (Suicide prevention/ awareness)	Risk taking behaviour in Young people - how to spot the signs	Autism and Mental Health	WORKSHOPS/TALKS
	Eating Disorders	The Ollie Foundation	Building Resilience in Young People	Bereavement - Supporting families	
	Transgender young people	My LGBTQ+ Teen	Strategies to support young people with ADHD	Low Mood in Young People	
	Anxiety in Young People	Managing Self Harm			



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Reminders & Notices



CHINA TRIP 2018

Although you are finishing today, we still have another week to go. Follow our adventures on www.stgsinchina.wordpress.com and please leave us a comment!

UNIFORM

Can we please ask parents to review their child's uniform over the summer holiday and replace any items that are no longer adhering to the school rules.

Please be reminded that skirts must be **on** the knee and any that are now above the knee will need to be replaced. Can I also remind parents to look at the school Uniform policy and ensure that any new purchases made such as trousers or shoes are in accordance with our policy and that hair is cut to the appropriate length when we return in September and is the appropriate colour. (All pupils have these rules in their Prep book). Taking these measures will help with a smooth transition in September and a good start to the new academic year.

We thank you as always for your support in this matter and are sure you will understand our reasoning in maintaining our high standards.

Mr Hollingsworth

Asst Head

STUDENT ABSENCE

Call the absence telephone line 01582 765477 or email absent@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk Please state the pupil's name, year group, tutor group and reason for absence

Further to my notice last term, may I remind you that all students sitting public exams in the summer will be bringing home statements of entry to check in the next few weeks. This is an important process, and I

will post a copy of the notes issued to help in the Exams area of the website (access from Learning or Information on the home page.)

MEDICAL INFORMATION

HAY FEVER/ALLERGIES

This is a reminder to all parents/carers and students that we are now in the Hay fever Season.

I have recently seen a number of students requiring medication for Hay fever related symptoms.

If your child suffers from Hay fever or any allergies could they please take their medication before they come to School.

Please note, that the Medical Centre will **NOT** be holding supplies of Hay fever & Allergy Relief medication.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION

Vacancies

[CLICK HERE](#) TO VIEW ALL CURRENT JOB VACANCIES AT THE SCHOOL

Letters Home

PE Fixtures

Please ensure you are following or have access to the Boys & Girls twitter account for any late notice changes to fixtures. The last few weeks have been very frustrating due to the home pitches being unplayable and we are glad to have been able to move games to the away venues.

[@StgeorgesboysPE](#)

[@StgeorgesgirlsPE](#)

PSA

The latest edition of the PSA newsletter is now available to view and download from the school website—please [click here](#)

You can contact the PSA at psa@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk

Parental Support

Keystone

[How to Help Your Child Plan to Achieve Their Goals – Workshop](#)

It's never too early to book

[Learning How We Learn: A Parent's Guide to Metacognition](#)

Thu, 20 Sep 2018 | The Maltings Theatre, St Albans AL1 3HL (0-12 years)

[How to Help Your Child Plan to Achieve their Goals](#)

Mon, 24 Sep 2018 | Fleetville Infants School, St Albans (6-12 years, Teens)

[Raising Confident Children and Tackling Their Fears](#)

Mon, 1 Oct 2018 | The Maltings Theatre, St Albans (0-12 years)

[Understanding and Managing Anger in Children](#)

Mon, 8 Oct 2018 | The Maltings Theatre, St Albans (0-12 years)

[Understanding Adolescence - Positive Strategies for Parent](#)

Mon, 5 Nov 2018 | The Maltings Theatre, St Albans (6-12 years, Teens)

Harpenden Plus Partnership

Many of our parents have found the parenting classes provided by the Family Support Workers at Harpenden Plus incredibly useful. They are also a great way to meet other parents who may have challenges managing their youngsters. Please see information attached if you are interested.

Christine Theakston

Please click on the link to view full details [The Parenting Puzzle](#)

Supporting our Students and Staff in the Wider Community

Supporting those who make a contribution to our school

Community

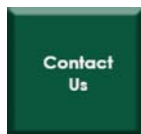
To find out what's happening in our Community please [CLICK HERE](#)

HARPENDEN PHOTO COMPETION - PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION

Calendar

July						

Sat	21	
Sun	22	
Mon	23	
Tue	24	
Wed	25	D of E Gold Assessed Expedition returns
Thu	26	
Fri	27	



Don't forget to like us on Facebook. It is a great way of keeping up with news and events at school and the more we have online presence, the more people will be aware of cyber communication and how to keep each other safe

<https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgessharpenden>



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