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Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father please be with all the year 8's returning from Brittany, year 9's returning from Spain, Normandy and Paris, please grant them travelling mercies. Amen

NO CHAPEL THIS SUNDAY

From the Headmistress

School has felt empty this week; pupils and staff have been out and about both at home and abroad on our annual "Activities Week". We've been to Brittany, Normandy, Paris, Spain, Tring, London, Warwick and so many more. We've seen places of worship; been to the zoo; learnt how to be more tolerant of each other; how to present information effectively and, if you are on DofE, how to cook on

a Trangia stove. But these trips are about so much more than what we see and do (important though that is). They are about developing independence; working with others who we don't necessarily come across in our normal school life; they are about overcoming doubt and apprehension and seeing that if you do, you can experience so much more. They are about managing your own money, overcoming the temptation to spend it all on the 6 hour ferry crossing to Brittany; keeping track of your own belongings (or not if that is the case!) and remembering to apply sun tan lotion when you need it, rather than when you are told. If anyone asks me how I enable my students to become better citizens of the world, and learn those important life skills, then this is it!

But this week's newsletter must be dedicated to my staff. Throughout the year, but especially during this week, they are once again true Georgians. They go above and beyond what is expected of them in their capacity as teachers, giving up time away from their own families and expending amazing amounts of energy to ensure that your children have the very best experience that we can give them. A couple of weeks ago I asked you what you had "invested" in that week which didn't involve cash/credit card or on line payment. This week my staff will have invested in the bank of your child, and it is only right to recognise that. Credit where credit is due, they are an amazing group of professional people.

So whatever the weekend brings.....smelly washing; excited stories from the many trips, or just exhausted children....enjoy!

Miss B

Ps. The Cup which is awarded for "endurance" at senior prize giving has endured so long that we have now run out of space for new names to be added!!! The first name was added in 1919, so it really is an heirloom piece. We need to add a new plate or plates onto the cup in order to extend its life for future generations. Does anyone know of a trophy specialist or a silversmith who could help us in this quest???? If you do.... can you contact us at admin@stgeorges.herts.sch.uk

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.

Local Art Competition success for year 11 pupil

Congratulations to Chloe Strange who won Best Young Artist in the Harpenden Young People's Art Competition for her...

[Read more...](#)



Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

[Read more...](#)



St George's School PSA
PLEASE...PLEASE DONATE
2nd-Hand New Style Only
Blazers, PE Kits, Lacrosse Sticks,
Rugby Boots, Revision Guides,
Trainers, Shoes, Shirts, Jumpers, Scarves etc
at ANY TIME at Goddard Reception
for the next
Pre-Loved Uniform Sale on
Sat 14th July
10 - 11am
Arrive on time so you don't miss out!
The Assembly Hall
GOOD CONDITION - LOW PRICES
All funds raised go to the School

Reminders & Notices

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Sarah Bramall, English teacher and Qualified Coach in Personal Performance and Coaching in Education will deliver a **Talk to your Teen presentation on Wednesday 26th September at 7:30 in the Assembly Hall.**

The talk will cover:

- How to improve communication with your teen.
- How to use coaching techniques to help your teen set goals.
- Tools to help you understand your teen and communicate more effectively.
- Tickets will be available in September via Parent Pay.

PRAYER GROUP NOTICE.

St Georges School Parents Prayer Group will meet on Monday 9th July at 8pm at 39A Coldharbour Lane, Harpenden, AL5 4NF (the home of Rory and Marian Browne) for **abring and share meal**, chat and prayer for the school and its community. All are very welcome.

Contact Ruth: ruth.key@gmx.com for any further information or to be included in the mailing.

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](#)

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

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| Sat | 7 | Year 9 Normandy D Day Trip Returns |
| Sun | 8 | No Chapel Boarders' Trip to Drayton Manor - houses closed |
| Mon | 9 | Y9 PGL Spain Trip returns 4pm Teaching and Learning Committee and Alban Federation Subject Mentors Meeting PSA Meeting, Go2, 8pm St George's Parents' Prayer Group 8pm, email ruth.key@gmx.com for venue. Rehearsals start for House Dance |
| Tue | 10 | |
| Wed | 11 | Governors Pay and Personnel Committee Meeting, 6pm Governors Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting 7pm, followed by Full Governors Committee Chess simultaneous event, International Master Lorin D'Costa v 30 players at once, Old Library, 1-3.40pm HPV vaccination for Y8 and Y9 Girls, Assembly Hall Foyer |
| Thu | 12 | Year 7 Induction Day and Evening |
| Fri | 13 | Issue to Year 12 students of predicted grades letter House Dance Competition, Assembly Hall, Period 5 |

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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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