



**Our School Vision :** At St George's we are proud to be one family of lifelong learners who know they are special to God. Our family is built upon a strong sense of belonging and mutual respect. Our community gives our children the freedom to flourish and succeed.

... A flourishing fellowship: learning together with God by our side ...

**Theme:**

The topic for this half term is 'Around the World'. We will begin our tour in Australia, then travel to Africa and Asia, before arriving at our final destination, The Americas. Along the journey we will be learning about the influential people, music, landmarks, animals, religions, festivals, food, art and climates that make these countries unique.

**Expressive Art and Design:**

Linked to our theme, we will be exploring various artists from around the world, including, Indigenous Australian art and Andy Warhol. Additionally, we will be making our own African batik fabric, Indian clay sculptures and dancing to Bollywood music,

**Literacy:**

In Literacy, we will be sharing non-fiction books to help us learn more about each country. We will be reading stories by authors around the world including *Sleep Well, Siba & Saba* by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl, and *Ganeesha's Sweet Tooth* by Sanjay Patel. We will be write writing letters, postcards, and fact-files as we visit each destination.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development:**

We will be encouraging the children to talk in small groups through learning activities and circle time to develop the children's social skills and self-confidence. We will continue instilling our Christian virtues, which this half term will be 'Hope'. This half term, we will also be having a Wellbeing session each week, where the children will have the opportunity to either garden, cook or make crafts.

**Mathematics:**

The children will continue with mastering the skill of addition and subtraction using 2-digit numbers. We will also be learning about size, capacity, weight, time and money. We will also be revising number bonds within 5 and 10.

**Phonics:**

We will continue daily phonic sessions where we will be revising and consolidating phase 4. Also, we will be revising phase 3 and 4 tricky words. We will be encouraging the children to write their own full sentences using digraphs, trigraphs, tricky words and punctuation.

**Understanding the world:**

Through our topic, the children will be learning about similarities and differences between themselves and others, as well as traditions from around the world. As we visit each destination we will be exploring communities and places, and will be celebrating what makes each special.

**PE:**

**Mrs Marsh and Miss Thorn: Every Tuesday**  
We will be indoors and outdoors this half term and will be a mixture of gym, games and dance. The children will need school PE t-shirts, plimsolls and. Please make sure all clothes are named including shoes and socks. This will solve any mix-ups. **On PE days children will need to wear their PE kit to school.**

**Reading:**

The children have the opportunity to change their reading books weekly. We will also continue to assign books to each child online, through Bug Club. Reading with your child at least 3 times a week greatly increases their progress.

**Dates to remember:**

Keep an eye on the Newsletter for up-to-date information. If any parent would like to come and read to the children in their home language, please speak to your child's teacher. This would be a really valuable opportunity for the children to experience.

**Home Learning:**

We will issue home learning tasks that can be completed weekly over the duration of a half term. We will ask for homework books to be returned at the end of each term.

**Other: What you need and when:**

**Coat:** Please provide your child with a warm coat every day, which they can easily put on themselves. The children learn outside in all weather and need to be dressed appropriately.  
**Water:** A named water bottle— this needs to be filled each day and brought into school. It would help us if children could bring a tissue box in at the beginning of term. We cannot accept responsibility for the children's belongings going missing. To avoid the likelihood of this happening, please ensure all items brought to school are clearly named.

**PARENTS:** The school is always looking for an extra set of hands.....all children love to see Mum, Dad, Nan or Granddad helping out in school. Do you have any special skills you could offer? Can you garden, play games, make things...the list is endless! We would love any offers of help. If you are able to offer any help, please speak to the class teacher or one of our office staff.

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