



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Note from Mrs Coulthard

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week Y1/2 form St George's has enjoyed their sleepover at the Sea life Centre as part of our 'Top Ten Opportunities' offer. Over the next few weeks, all our Y1/2 children from across The Wings' CE Trust will have the chance to go. Many thanks to the staff accompanying the children to this and especially for being so brave as to lose a night's sleep!

Next week our Y6 pupils in both schools will be undertaking their SATs exams. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them all the best of luck. Both schools will offer a special 'SATs breakfast' for the children during the week.

Yesterday, all staff in both our schools had Singapore Maths training. It has now been a year since we introduced this and the impact on the standard of teaching and learning of Maths has significantly improved. If you would like to know more about it there are some useful parent videos here: <http://www.mathsnoproblem.co.uk/parent-videos>

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Coulthard

## Miss Young - What's been happening this week....?

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week has been a rather short week for many, with bank holiday on Monday and Polling Day on Thursday where just Little Dragons and Y6 were able to be in school. We ensured Y6 pupils came in to the classrooms we were able to access and provided them with Boosters sessions led by all staff ready for their upcoming SATs tests next week.

The children have been enjoying the long awaited sunshine that we have been lucky to have this week, may I please remind you that school uniform is white shirt and either a red school cardigan or a jumper. School fleeces are for outdoor use and are not to replace the red top which can be worn in class.

Many children have asked this week as to whether the new craze of 'Fidget Spinners' is banned in school, I am aware that a number of primary schools have banned these, however, at present I am happy for children to bring these into school for playtimes and lunchtimes as long as they are not used in class, they are used appropriately and they do not cause any arguments, in which case a blanket ban will need to be implemented.

These fidget spinners were initially designed (along with many other resources) for pupils with ADHD in order to help them focus, it has since become quite a fascination for many children who enjoy playing with them and learning tricks.

As previously mentioned Y6 pupils will be having their SATs next week, could I ask these parents that children are brought into school promptly for 8:30 and breakfast snack will be provided for them. This will allow us to settle children and ensure that they are all present beforehand.

Miss Lord's Y1/2 class have been the first of the three classes to attend their Sea Life Centre Residential this week. The children and staff had a wonderful time learning about life under the ocean and sleeping under the sea. Photographs can be seen on our school Facebook page.

I hope the sunshine continues over the weekend so that you can all get outdoors!  
Miss Young

What's coming up next week....?

**Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATS Week and Mental Health Awareness Week

Notices:

**For the safety of our pupils please do not drive onto the school car park to drop off or pick up children.**

Dear Parents/Guardian,

We will be holding a Tombola Stall during the Atherton Carnival on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June donations of any bottles/cans i.e. wines, spirits and juices would be greatly appreciated.

Also, we would like to hold a Children's Book Sale after the half term holiday, any donations would be appreciated.

Thank you.

