St Giles Primary and Nursery School Office Friday Flyer!

Achieving through kindness, compassion and perseverance

This week's big question:

Class 1 and 2: How can it feel to travel in a new way?

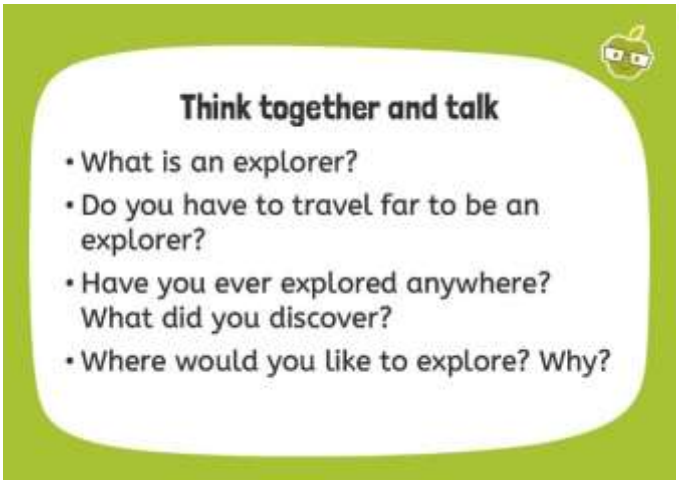




Class 3 and 4: why do people explore space?







REMINDERS FOR THE WEEKS AHEAD	
Monday 2nd March	•
Tuesday 3rd March	• Small Schools Athletics Team Event at Anthony Gell 1.00 – 2.45pm. Details given to those involved • Class 3 start Forest School for this half term, PM – Information and permission letter sent home • Football Club: Mr Williams after school until 4.15pm Y3-Y6
Wednesday 4th March	•
Thursday 5th March	• World Book Day – see page below for details • Class 2 Swimming • MAD league football match – St Giles V Darley Churchtown at St Giles – those involved will receive a permission letter
Friday 6th March	• **PTFA Cake and book sale after school – Donations requested. Please bring cake donations in from 5th March; books anytime.**
Monday 9th March	•
Tuesday 10th March	• Class 3 Forest School PM • Football club: Mr Williams after school until 4.15pm Y3-Y6
Wednesday 11th March	• Year 5/6 – Tag Rugby at Matlock Rugby Club – details to follow to those involved • PTFA AGM in school 6.30pm. All welcome.
Thursday 12th March	• Afternoon Tea 2.30pm in school – See poster below • NO Swimming for Class 2
Friday 13th March	• Non-Uniform Day – in exchange for chocolate donations for the Easter Fair

OTHER NEWS

- **INSET DAYS 2026 – 2027 –** We are pleased to be able to confirm the INSET Days for the next academic year. We hope the May INSET dates are helpful when planning holidays.

  INSET 1 – Friday 4th September 2026
  INSET 2 – February 2027 date tbc
  INSET 3 – Thursday 27th May 2027
  INSET 4 – Friday 28th May 2027
  INSET 5 – Monday 26th July 2027

- **REMINDER – CAR PARK SAFETY – The school car park is for staff, visitors and deliveries only. Please do not use the school car park to drop off and collect your children unless you have a Blue Badge.** The safety of your children is our priority and the car park is not a safe place for children at these busy times of the school day. Please ensure any friends or relatives who may collect your children are also aware of this. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

- **Arbor** - Please ensure all outstanding balances for school meals and wraparound care are settled.

- **Medical Appointments** – Please try wherever possible to make routine appointments out of school hours. We understand that hospital appointments are often out of our control and sometimes are offered at short notice. We do need to see evidence of all appointments and we know this is usually a text or email. A screenshot or copy of the email is perfect. We need these to approve the absence and record attendance correctly. Thank you for your support with this.

- **Attendance and Punctuality** A reminder that the school gates **open at 8:40 am and close at 8:55 am. School registration closes at 9am, if your child arrives after 9am they will be marked as late.** Arriving on time helps children start their day calmly, take part in morning activities and settle quickly into learning. If you have any concerns about attendance or would like support, please speak to us — we're always happy to help.

- **School Uniform Reminder -** Please can we kindly remind parents and carers of the importance of children attending school in the correct uniform. Wearing the correct uniform helps pupils feel part of our school community and ensures everyone is dressed safely and appropriately for learning.
  School Uniform
  Black or grey trousers, shorts, pinafore or skirt
  White shirt or polo shirt
  Red sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan
  Practical Black shoes or boots – (plain black trainers are acceptable)
  PE Kit
  Black shorts
  Red school t-shirt
  Black pumps or trainers for outdoor sports
  Key Points
  All clothing should be clearly named
  Footwear should be sensible and suitable for school activities
  Black shoes or boots – **no trainers unless they are plain black**
  Please ensure children have the correct PE kit on the correct days
  We have lots of preloved uniform which is free and available in the school reception
  We welcome donations of good quality uniform
  Please see the link below to the uniform page on the school website.
  Thank you for your continued support.
  Uniform Information | St Giles Church of England Primary and Nursery School

- **Nut Free School –** A gentle reminder that we are a **nut free school**. This means **no nuts or nut products** (including peanut butter, Nutella, cereal bars with nuts etc.) should be brought into school. We have children with nut allergies and even a small trace can cause a serious reaction. Your support helps us keep everyone safe and healthy.

- **Water Bottles - Please ensure your child has a water bottle, with their name on (containing only water) in school every day.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01629 56813 or by email with any questions or queries.

Friday updates can be found in the Newsletters section of our school website

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Wednesday 18th March	Bikeability for Year 6
Thursday 19th March	Bikeability for Year 6 No swimming for Class 2 Class 2 trip to Crich Tramway Museum – details to follow MAD league football match V Castle View
Friday 20th March	Red Nose Day – Details to follow
Tuesday 24th March	MAD league football match at St Giles V St Josephs
Wednesday 25th March	Class 2 – MAD Sports Event at All Saints Juniors
Thursday 26th March	Easter Service – 2.30pm in St Giles Church, all welcome No swimming for Class 2
Friday 27th March	Easter Bonnet Parade 2.45pm PTFA Mini Easter Fair until 4.30pm Last day of term
Monday 13th April	Back to school
Friday 17th April	Solihull Parenting Course at All Saints Infant School 9.30 – 11.30 - see details below
Monday 4th May	**May Day Bank Holiday**

Monday 11th May	KS2 SATS – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
Tuesday 12th May	KS2 SATS – English Reading Paper
Wednesday 13th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 1 & 2
Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 3
Friday 15th May	Y6 Celebration at Whitworth Park
Wednesday 20th May	Class 4 trip to Eyam with Darley Churchtown
Thursday 21st May	Bunting Cup
Friday 22nd May	Break up for half term
Monday 1st June	**INSET Day – School Closed to pupils**
Wednesday 24th June	SPORTS DAY
Wednesday 1st July	Year 6 Transition Day at Lady Manners
Thursday 2nd July	Year 6 Transition Day at Highfields
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Transition Day at Anthony Gell - tbc
Thursday 9th July	Year 6 Transition Day at Anthony Gell - tbc
Tuesday 14th July	Class 4 Performance
Tuesday 21st July	Leavers Service in St Giles Church
Thursday 23rd July	**Last Day of term** **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**



WORLD BOOK DAY – DRESS AS A WORD!

THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

This year, for World Book Day, we're doing something a little different…

Instead of dressing as a book character, we are inviting the children to **dress as a word**!

To celebrate our love of reading and vocabulary, children can choose a word and come to school dressed to represent it. We are encouraging the use of **adjectives** (describing words), but you are welcome to be as creative as you like.

The word can be as simple as *happy* or as bold and imaginative as *extravagant*! The aim is to have fun, explore new vocabulary, and really think about what words mean.

Here are a few ideas to get you started:
- **Happy**
- **Sleepy**
- **Sparkly**
- **Brave**
- **Gigantic**
- **Mysterious**
- **Colourful**
- **Dramatic**
- **Ancient**
- **Extravagant**

Children may wish to:
- Wear colours or accessories that represent their word
- Create a simple prop
- Write their word clearly on their outfit
- Be ready to explain why they chose their word

We cannot wait to see the children's creativity and the wonderful vocabulary they bring to life!

Thank you for your continued support — it's sure to be a fantastic and imaginative day.

🌸 St Giles Afternoon Tea 🌸

We would love to invite all our wonderful mums, nannas, grandmas, sisters, aunties and any special female figures in our children's lives to join us for a lovely Afternoon Tea at school! 💕

Come along and enjoy a delightful afternoon with your child(ren), filled with tea, coffee, soft drinks, delicious cakes and fun crafts to create together. 🎨 🧁 🍰

It will be a wonderful opportunity to spend time together and make special memories — we can't wait to see you there! 💖



Autumn & Winter Menu

Available Daily: Bread, Salad, Fruit, Yoghurt & Drinking Water

CELEBRATING 120 YEARS OF SCHOOL MEALS

Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
03.11.25 24.11.25 15.12.25 19.01.26 09.02.26 09.03.26	The Main Event: Beef Bolognese with Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Crispy Chicken or Quorn Burger V in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Seasonal Vegetables	Pork or Vegetarian V Toad in the Hole with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Sweet & Sour Quorn Dippers Ve with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers with Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
	Alternative Choice: Margherita Pizza V & Seasonal Vegetables	Pasta with a Creamy Tomato Sauce V & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cauliflower Bake V with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetarian Mince Layered Tortilla Stack V with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetable Fingers Ve with Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
	Daily Choice: Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
	Dessert: NEW Gingerbread Cookie	Chocolate Orange Muffin	Bitesize Cornflake Bar with Fruit	NEW Lemon Sponge Tart	Autumn Fruit Crumble with Custard

Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.11.25 01.12.25 05.01.26 26.01.26 23.02.26 16.03.26	The Main Event: NEW Chicken Goujons with Homemade BBQ Sauce, Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza V with Seasonal Vegetables	Yorkshire Pudding with Beef Hot Pot / Roast Pork / Quorn Fillet V with Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Big BreakFast with Sausage & Bacon or Vegan BreakFast Ve, Hash Browns, Baked Beans & Tomatoes	NEW Harry Ramsden's Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Seasonal Vegetables
	Alternative Choice: Five Bean Chilli Taco Ve with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Bolognese Ve with Pasta, Seasonal Vegetables & Garlic Dough Balls	Cheese & Tomato Puff Pastry Swirl V with Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cook's Choice of Filling V & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cheesy Pasta Bake V with Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables
	Daily Choice: Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
	Dessert: Vanilla Shortbread Slice	Chocolate Cracknel	Bitesize Sprinkle Cake with Fruit	Jelly & Fruit	NEW Jam Roly Poly & Custard

Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17.11.25 08.12.25 12.01.26 02.02.26 02.03.26 23.03.26	The Main Event: Vegetarian Sausage Roll Ve, with Baked Beans, Herby Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Pork or Vegan Meatball Sub Ve with a side of Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Roast of the Day or Quorn Fillet Ve with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken or Vegetable V Curry with Mixed Rice, Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
	Alternative Choice: Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Ve & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Filling V & Seasonal Vegetables	Old School Cheesy Potato & Bean Pie V with Seasonal Vegetables	Mac & Cheese V with Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Pizza Panini V with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
	Daily Choice: Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
	Dessert: NEW Toffee Apple Muffin	Bitesize Chocolate Crunch with Fruit	Cook's Choice of Mousse	NEW Carrot Cake Cookie	NEW Saucy Chocolate Pudding

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For further information and the allergen matrix please visit: www.schoolmeals.derbyshire.gov.uk

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School Calendar 2025/26

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195 days – including 5 days to be taken as INSET days