



St Germans Academy

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th October

Merit Certificates

Ladybirds: Rufus & Paige Fireflies: Reggie & Bonnie Elizabeth

Butterflies: Archer Caterpillars: Bobby

Dear Families,

Today is World Mental Health Day which takes place every year on 10 October. It's a reminder of the importance of good mental health and the need to prioritise and invest in good mental health.

We have lots in place at school to support staff, parents and pupils. These include

- Access to well being services including Just One Norfolk, Benjamin Foundation and Play Therapy.
- Support from the Family hub and the Schools and Communities team.
- Our PSA Toni Clarkstone.
- In school children have access to a range of tools to help them regulate including: fidgets, sensory circuits, sensory room, zones of regulation toolkits, a trampette and movement breaks.

Do come and speak with us if you or your child are struggling as we are here to help. We can point you to other services or make adjustments at school for your child.

Mrs Arrowsmith

Next Week...

Tuesday ~ Ladybirds Swimming – Coach leaves at 8.45am!

Tuesday ~ Dragonflies – Inside Out Bushcraft Session

Thursday ~ Peep Talk Session 4

Friday ~ Parent Morning Session

Scholastic Book Club

Don't forget that our latest Scholastic Book Club is now online at https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-germans/digital-book-club.

There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from, and every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club will earn 20p for our school in Scholastic Rewards.

A magazine has been sent home with your child. Please place your order online by October 24th, 2025.

Thank you.

Open Morning session for Reception 2026

If your child is due to start reception in September 2026, please feel free to pop along to our Open Day on Monday 17th November at 9.30am or 4pm to meet the staff, have a tour and ask any questions you may have.

Please contact the school office on 01553 617246 or email office@stg.unity-ed.uk to book your space. Thank you

Parent Teacher Consultation Meetings

We will be holding our Parent Teacher Consultation evenings on Monday 20th October and Tuesday 21st October 2025. The time slot sheets are on the front playground. Please 'sign up' to meet with your child's teacher using the sign up sheets.

Each appointment time allows 10 minutes. It is important that times are adhered to.

On arrival for your consultation please make your way to the school hall, where there will be seats for while you are waiting. Each of the teachers will have their own 'area' of the hall to meet with you.

School Appearance

As a school we really value setting high expectations in everything we do. We are very proud in how the children conduct themselves and the pride we take. We would like to remind everyone of the correct uniform to be worn at school by children:

- Royal Blue School Sweatshirt / Cardigan / Fleece
- White Shirt / Blouse / Polo Shirt
- Grey Trousers / Skirt
- Sensible shoes (NO trainers or platform heels)
- Stud Earrings only No other Jewellery should be worn
- Long hair should be tied back to reduce the risk of headlice spreading

Children may wear a watch to school but please ensure they are not a type of smartwatch (Apple watch for example), this is for safeguarding and security reasons.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Parent Friday Morning Sessions

Please remember we have parent mornings on set Friday mornings (1 in each half term) where instead of the playground being supervised from 8.45am, the doors will be opened, and parents can bring their children straight into school if they would like.

Each classroom will be set up with activities/reading for the children to do with their parent/s. Obviously, all children would be supervised, so there is no obligation to come in. In order to help the morning run as smoothly as possible we would ask that all parents are left by 9.10am.

The Friday morning sessions for this year will be on 17th October, 12th December, 6th February, 20th March, 15th May & 10th July. We hope you can join us!

Pantomime Visit

Thank you to all who have already given permission and paid in full/or started to make payments towards our trip to the Pantomime. If you have not yet given permission or started to pay, please ensure



you log on to ParentPay to do so. If you have any questions about this trip, please contact the school office. This trip is for all children in Reception through to Year 6. The Friends of the School generously make a donation for this trip every year to ensure every child has an ice cream during the interval of the pantomime. For dairy free children we are able to preorder a lemon sorbet as an alternative to vanilla ice cream. Please ensure you let the school office know by Friday 17th October if you would like your child to have a sorbet rather than ice cream.

Thank you.

Harvest Festival Donations 🧊 🦸

This is the last call for any remaining donations for King's Lynn Foodbank. Please can all items be brought to the school office by Monday 20th October. Thank you Items King's Lynn Foodbank have requested;

Tinned meat, Tinned fish, Small bottles of squash, Small jars of coffee, Tinned rice pudding, Tinned fruit, Jars of cooking sauces, Shampoo & Conditioner, Toilet Roll, Small boxes of washing powder.

Friends of the School

We are having a Friends of the School Meeting on Wednesday 22nd October at 2.45pm. If you would like to join our Friends of the School or are just interested in finding out more about it, please come along to the meeting. Hot drinks and cake will be provided!

Year 6 Pupils – DEADLINE APPROACHING

Parents of Year 6 pupils please remember the deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October 2025!

Bottle Request

The Fireflies class are in need of empty 1 ltr plastic bottles for their lesson on Thursday. If you have one you can donate it would be greatly appreciated – they need 20 in total. Please can they be handed to a Fireflies member of staff or the school office.

Secondhand School Uniform

We have lots have good quality secondhand uniform available and are offering it free of charge should you want anything. There are 2 rails in the office lobby area, please feel free to come and look through and take what you want.

Alternatively, please contact Mrs Warnes in the office or Mrs Clarkstone our PSA with what you are after, and we will check for you and send it home via your child.

Thank you

Snack for Morning Break

Please remember there is a KS2 Healthy Tuck Shop every morning break for Ladybirds and Dragonflies Classes. Children can buy a piece of fruit / other healthy snack for 30p or can bring something healthy from home. Fireflies, Butterflies and Caterpillars receive free fruit from the School Fruit and Veg Scheme.

Afterschool Clubs

Our Afterschool Club booklet for next half term will be out w/c Monday 20th October. If your child wishes to join any of the clubs available, please ensure you book via ParentPay. Please note - All clubs are on a first come first served basis.

Thank you

Upcoming Events 2024/2025 Autumn Term

Ladybirds Swimming Every Tuesday

Dragonflies – Inside Out Bushcraft Sessions every Tuesday

October

Thurs 16th ~ PEEP Talk Meetings for Selected Parents in Hall Week 4(8 weeks)

Fri 17th ~ Parents Morning Session

Mon 20th ~ Parents Evening

Tues 21st ~ Parents Evening

Thurs $23^{rd} \sim WNSSP$ 6-a-side Football Event for selected Year 5 & 6 children Thurs $23^{rd} \sim PEEP$ Talk Meetings for Selected Parents in Hall Week 5(8 weeks)

Fri 24th ~ Break up for Half Term

November

Mon 3rd ~ Back to School

Thurs 6th ~ PEEP Talk Meetings for Selected Parents in Hall Week 6(8 weeks)

Thurs 13th ~ Pret a Portrait in for individual pupil photographs and school age siblings

Thurs 13th ~ PEEP Talk Meetings for Selected Parents in Hall Week 7(8 weeks)

Mon 17th ~ EYFS Open Day for Reception Children September 2026

Wed 19th ~ Flu Immunisation Team in for catch up session

Wed 19th ~ School Nursing Team in to see Year R and Year 6

Thurs 20th ~ PEEP Talk Meetings for Selected Parents in Hall Week 8(8 weeks)

Mon 24th ~ WNSSP Tag Rugby Event for selected Year 5 & 6 Children

December

Fri 12th ~ Parent Morning Session

Fri 12th ~ Whole School Trip to Pantomime for Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6

Mon 15th ~ End of Term Assembly at 9.15am

Friday 19th ~ Break up for Christmas

January 2026

Tues 6th ~ Back to school

