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Service

Our value this term is Service.

An "act of Christian service" is defined as any time served modelling and showing the attitude of Jesus in service to God's creation without receiving reward or payment. The goal of the act should be to help build up another and/or make our world a more loving and happier place, for others and ourselves.

"Jesus did not come for other people to serve him. He came to serve others"
Matthew 20:28.

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth member states since the end of the First World War in 1919 to honour armed forces members who have died in the line of duty. The day is also marked by war remembrances in several other non-Commonwealth countries.

As Remembrance Day falls at the weekend, today we showed our respect and carried out our own act of remembrance. We were fortunate enough to have a parent volunteer come into school to play The Last Post at the end of our two minutes silence.



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 13th November: School photographer in (individual and sibling photos)

Tuesday 14th November: Meet and Eat with Mrs Baller and Mrs Paterson 2.15pm

Thursday 16th November: Northgate Phonics Meeting and Reading Cafe

Thursday 16th November: Open Day for new, prospective Reception Parents

Friday 17th November: Children In Need—non uniform (£1 donation)

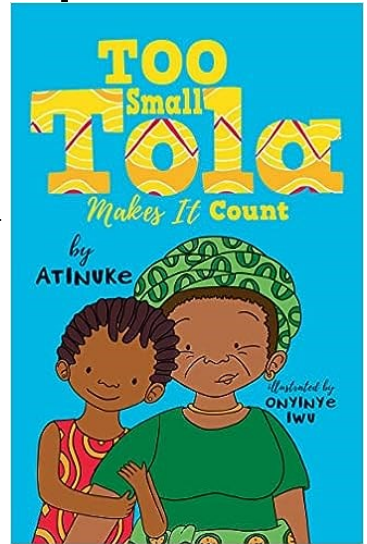
Tuesday 21st November: Westgate Reading Cafe

Book Recommendation

Too Small Tola Makes It Count, Atinuke, illustrated by Onyinye Iwu

Younger readers will think, as we do, that this is a delightful set of three short stories set in Lagos, Nigeria. Tola lives with her sister, brother and grandma in a run-down block of flats. They don't have much money but they do have friendships in the block and even a chance to go to the beach. Over three separate stories, with wonderful illustrations by Onyinye Iwu, readers are introduced to everyday life in Nigeria and will quickly realise that the problems and solutions Tola encounters are the same worldwide, and that community, friendship and love count above everything.

https://readforgood.org/book_reviews/too-small-tola-makes-it-count/



A wonderful start to our outdoor space

We have made a super start to our outdoor regeneration. We have had new, spongy surfacing laid on our outdoor climbing equipment and have some new outdoor equipment to be used too.

We have a large, wooden xylophone which is supporting our musical talents and enabling us to perform at breaktimes too! We have giant Lego blocks that are supporting our motor skills and balance boards, which are harder than they look to balance correctly!



We are looking forward to regenerating our 'chillax area' on the other side of the playground next, we are always striving to improve our education areas!

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Children in Need

Friday 17th November wear something spotty or colourful for Children In Need. £1 donation please!

We pride ourselves on supporting others and Children in Need is one way we can help local charities and those in need further overseas.

We will be undertaking lots of activities on Friday, and would love to see your colourful and spotty clothes to help us raise as much money as possible for the charity Children in Need.

Open Morning

Is your child due to start school in September 2024? We are holding an Open Day on Thursday 16th November at 9.30 until 11am and Tuesday 21st November 1.30pm until 3pm.

Please come along and see what St Paul's C of E Primary School and Nursery has to offer and what we can provide for your child.

**OPEN
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Meet and Eat

This is a reminder of our 'Meet and Eat' activity that is taking place on Tuesday 14th November 2023 at 2.15pm.

We really want to celebrate each other; our cultures, our hobbies and the food that we love. If you are able, please bring along a food, (home cooked or bought), that is from your country, city, or town.

If you can't bring anything, please come along anyway, there is no pressure at all to provide. We would just love to enjoy your company.

As always, babies and toddlers are welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Paterson and Mrs Baller

Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Monday 13th November. We will do photos of siblings first, so please ensure your children are in school on time, so they are ready. We will then have individual photos taken for each child.



Please ensure your child is dressed smartly, in school uniform, ready for their photo! We will send these out for you to purchase if you wish, when we are sent them through.

Christmas Cards

EXCITING NEWS!

Your child has brought home their Parent Order Christmas card this week. The children have worked really hard on their designs and we are really proud of them.

You can order personalised Christmas cards, tea towels, teddy bears and lots more!

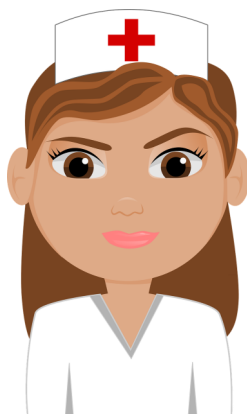
Just scan the QR code on the back of the card and order away!



Flu Vaccinations

Children brought home their Flu Vaccination letter before half term, please ensure these are returned to the school office or your child's Key Worker as soon as possible.

If you do not want your child to have the flu vaccination, please return the form stating you do not give consent.



Dance, Dance, Dance

Today was an exciting day in assembly. Last half term, our PE focus was balance and flexibility. We mainly learnt this through dance and gymnastics. As part of our assessment process, each Key Worker planned, choreographed, rehearsed and performed a dance. We showed these dances in our Celebration Assembly today and Mrs Bevan, Mrs Morrison and Miss Clarke decided a winner, based on the complexity of the routine, accuracy of the balances and range of movements.



Have a look at the class blogs to see examples of the dances!

The winners are: Earth House!

Congratulations



Time to Talk

Today, your child will bring home a letter detailing information about our Time to Talk meetings. These meetings are very important in supporting your child with their education.

These meetings will last for 15 minutes and will allow your child's Key Worker to discuss your child's academic, pastoral and social journey in school since September. It is also your chance to ask any questions and discuss any concerns you have.

Please sign up at the main office from Tuesday 14th November for a time slot with your child's Key Worker. If you are unavailable on the day that your child's class has been set, please speak to your child's Key Worker to arrange a suitable time.

Attendance winners with 93% are Southgate Earth and Westgate Earth. Our target is 98%!

Class Winners! Southgate Water

Eastgate Water: Arthur

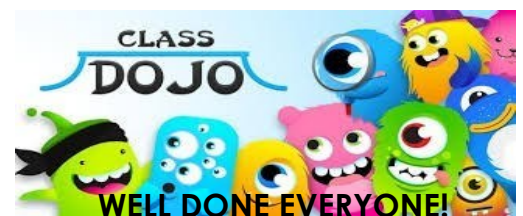
Eastgate Earth: Zayan

Southgate Water: Akein

Southgate Earth: Ajeesh

Westgate Water: Cedric

Westgate Earth: Amelie



We have nearly 100% of parents signed up to Class Dojo—if you are not signed up yet, please speak to your child's Key Worker as this is our main form of communication!