



George Carey Church of England Primary School

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Packed Lunches

A polite reminder that **peanuts, peanut butter or anything containing nuts, crisps, sweets, fizzy drinks** and chocolate bars are not permitted. Please provide a healthy option for your child at lunch and after school club. We encourage parents to provide their children with a healthy lunch, which includes an alternative to crisps and chocolate such as chopped fruits, salad, yoghurts, savoury biscuits etc. Alternatively, you may like to consider changing to school dinners. The menu has been recently updated and the feedback has been positive.

Reception News

PE – Reception classes Sparrows, Owls and Robins will have PE every Monday. Please make sure the children have their PE kits with them each week. The children's PE kits should be as follows. Plain black shorts or jogging bottoms, a plain white T-shirt, plimsolls or black trainers and a school PE bag.

Reading Books and Reading Records – Please make sure the children have their reading records and reading books with them every day. We have sent several reminders out to parents about the importance of the children having their reading books daily but unfortunately many children are still coming to school without them. Our books are a precious and a very expensive resource. We need to protect our stock of books, so we can continue to develop the reading skills of all our children. We also encourage families to spend quality time reading with their children every day.

Walk to School Project

On Thursday 11th December the Living Streets Charity held an assembly with the children about the new WOW challenge with a special visit from the WOW mascot. WOW is the year-round walk to school challenge from Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking. WOW rewards children who walk to school at least once a week with a collectible badge each month (please see reverse of this newsletter for more information). The children enjoyed the assembly and look forward to taking part in the challenge.

Scholastics Book Fair

Before the Christmas break we ran a book fair in the main foyer where parents had the chance to browse the books on offer with their children. It was great to see so many of you supporting your child's reading. On this occasion, we raised £632.00 which will go towards books for our school. We would like to say a big thank you to our librarian Mrs Widdop who continues to work very hard every day in helping your children in our library and for the hard work she puts in to running our books fairs. We look forward to seeing you all again at the next book fair.

Golden Book Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have been mentioned in our Golden Book this week: -

Herons – Sasha Noble

Jays – Sasha Kashama

Kingfishers – Kazeem Kosoko

Magpies – Leart Bojaj

Jackdaws – Zohaib Tahir + Kamilat Lawal

Sandpipers – Daniel Ajayi + Kahlan Dias-Gill

Ravens – Iving Ewusie

Puffins – Alishba Ali

Starlings – Ruby Gutteridge

Golden Star Award

Ravens – Simi Otulana + Jayden Mukitirwa

Puffins – Lilyana Ramchander + Rueben Samuels Reid





Introducing WOW – the year-round walk to school challenge

George Carey Church of England Primary School is encouraging all families to swap the school run for a school walk, helping children to feel happier and healthier and reducing congestion at the school gates.

For the 17/18 academic year we are taking part in WOW – the year-round walk to school challenge, from Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking. WOW rewards children who walk to school at least once a week with a collectible badge each month.

There are 11 badges to collect across the year and daily journeys are logged by pupils on the interactive Travel Tracker accessed through the school's computer or whiteboard in the classroom. If your family already cycles or scoots to school, these will also count towards earning a WOW badge.

What if we can't walk to school?

If you live too far away or don't have time to walk the whole way to school, you can Park and Stride to earn your WOW badge. Park or hop off public transport at least ten minutes away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

If you have any questions, please contact Nicki Wright or visit: www.livingstreets.org.uk/walktoschool.

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