



**ST GEORGE'S
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Dear Parent/Carer,

Another busy week at St George's! Your children are working hard and enjoyed their learning.

We have a couple of diary changes from last week's calendar, due to timetable changes elsewhere:

- **Year 2 Trip and Sleepover:** This will now take place on the **8th July 2019** rather than 22nd May 2019
- **Sports Day:** This will now take place on **Thursday 4th July** rather than 27th June
- An extra trip for Year 4 to Westmoreland Farm, details to follow.

Attendance

We dipped under 95% last week for attendance in some classes. School does a great deal to promote good attendance, including raffles, prizes, praise assemblies and 100% day outs. Rewards go to both children and families. Our next initiative is for a special 100% badge to be given to children at the end of each term who have attended every single day. Twenty eight children currently have 100% attendance for the school year and will be joining Mrs Albery on our Attendance Day Out if they keep up the good work.

On the other side, I must again remind parents that school cannot and will not authorise term time holidays in nearly all circumstances. We are simply following the guidelines laid down. We work closely with the Local Authority and parents but if nothing changes then a fine can be issued, especially if the child already has attendance under 95%. We will always try and support parents and children to improve attendance and Mrs Albery works tirelessly to do so. Please help us to help your child. **It makes a huge difference to your child's learning if their attendance is interrupted.**

Likewise, attendance is as important for your five year old child as one who is older- the figures for the youngest two classes on the table are a concern for the term so far as they stand at 93%. Thank you for working with us