



St Giles C of E Academy School News

First Full Week Back

What a fantastic week we have had, with lots of exciting things happening across school. I think we've all definitely felt that first week back "jet lag" and missed those afternoon naps. I suspect that included some of the staff too! I'm not sure 'A Place in the Sun' is part of the Key Stage 2 curriculum but we could certainly use it to practise currency conversion skills!

Our Upper School pupils enjoyed an excellent swimming trip to Aspire this week, and we're excited to welcome A1 Football Factory, who begin working with us next week. We also have lots of exciting trips planned for the year ahead. Details will be available on ParentPay very soon, so please keep an eye out for further information.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone - *Mr Grace*

Parking Around School

We are very aware of the challenges surrounding parking at drop-off and collection times, particularly as we have extremely limited parking available on site.

We politely ask all parents and carers to show consideration and respect for our neighbours. We have received several complaints from local residents regarding double parking on Skinner Lane, and there have been occasions this week where residents on Denwell Terrace have been unable to access or leave their driveways due to blocked access. Parking on Denwell Terrace is for residents only. Also when walking down Denwell Terrace please use the pavement—do not walk in the road.

Where possible, we strongly encourage families to walk to school or make use of the parking permits available for Morrisons car park..

School Photos

The school photographer will be coming into school next **Wednesday 16th September** to take individual and sibling group photos in school.

Anyone wanting a group photo taken with a younger sibling who doesn't attend St Giles please come to the back of school to the access ramp into the two storey part of the building at 8.30am and these can be taken then before school starts.



**Value – Respect —Friday 11th Sept
2026**

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Macmillan Coffee Morning

Wednesday 23rd September 9-10am

Join us for us for a brew and chin wag.

Donations of cakes welcome (remember we are a nut free school).

Children are also invited to wear something green on this day in support of Macmillan.



This Week's 'Respect' Value Award Winners

Nursery

We are so proud of our oldest boys and girls who have returned to nursery this academic year. They have been kind and caring and have helped show our new children our rules and routines and how fun nursery is each and every day. Thank you for being such amazing superstars!

Reception 1 – Nancy P

Nancy has shown such kindness this week to all her friends in Reception and has been especially caring to those children who have found it a little tricky settling in. She has taken it upon herself to show children our timetable and helped calm children by showing them when home time is. Well done Nancy.

Reception 2 – Rowan-James B

Rowan has been a great role model this week, showing his classmates how we sit correctly on the carpet, how we line up like penguins, where to put all their things on a morning and generally following all of our rules and routines beautifully. Keep up the great work Rowan.

The Ark – Keanu B

We are so proud of Keanu this week He has settled in lovely and it's been a joy to have him in the Ark. Keanu has made us laugh and his little smile lights up a room. Well done, Keanu.

Class 1 – Florence S

For starting the school year with a fantastic attitude and showing enthusiasm, positivity, and a wonderful willingness to learn every day.

Florence, you have been a shining example of how to begin a new school year. Your kindness, effort, and determination have made all of the staff in Class 1 incredibly proud. Keep up the amazing work, Florence! We are all so proud of you. Well done!

Class 1/2 – Elora-Grace S

What a brilliant start to the year Elora-Grace has had! I just know she is going to be fantastic this year. She has been so eager and ready to learn and is always willing to have a go, setting a wonderful example to others. She is very enthusiastic in phonics and I can already see her confidence growing. Well done, Elora-Grace — you are going to smash Year 1!



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Class 2 – Ada-Rose P

Ada has had a great start to Year 2. She is full of confidence and has been trying really hard to get herself involved. Mrs. Jepson and I can already see that she is going to be amazing this year. Well done, Ada.

Class 3 – Bodhi W

Bodhi has made a fantastic start to Key Stage 2. We are so impressed with his attitude to learning, trying his best and following our class rules. His work has been fantastic and we are so proud and pleased that he is a part of Class 3.

Class 3/4 – Eadie B. & Myla-Blu R

We are incredibly proud of both girls for the fantastic start they have made to the school year. They have approached every challenge with a positive attitude, shown great resilience, and consistently tried their very best. Their confidence and determination have helped them settle into school life brilliantly, and they are already proving to be wonderful role models in the classroom. Well done, girls. We are so proud of you both!

Class 4 – George R

George has been an absolute superstar this week! He is always ready and eager to learn with his hand up in every lesson and a fantastic level of engagement. His confidence to get involved and share his ideas has been brilliant to see! George is a wonderful role model, always setting an amazing example through his positivity, attitude towards learning and the respect he shows to both adults and his peers. We are so proud of the excellent start he's had to year 4 - keep it up George!

Class 5 – Oliver R

For an excellent start to Year 5. You always give 100% effort, show a fantastic attitude to learning, and take pride in everything you do. Your amazing manners and willingness to help others make you a wonderful role model. We are so proud of you and can't wait to see all you achieve this year. Well done, Oliver. You really are a star!

Class 5/6 – The Whole Class

It has been impossible to pick a 'standout child' this week because of how amazingly the class has returned to school. We have been blown away by the confidence you have shown during swimming. You really stood out compared to the other schools using Aspire for their lessons, and we couldn't be prouder. Well done, 5/6 — we are very impressed with the fantastic start you have made!

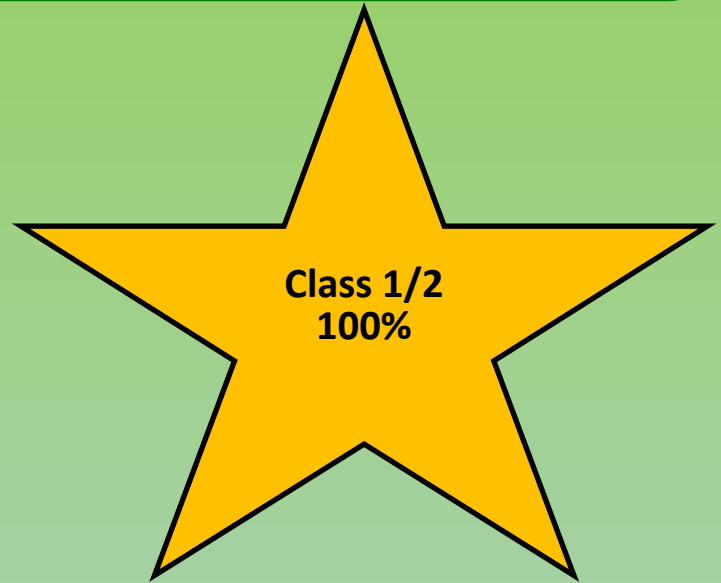
Class 6 – Lily S

Lily has settled into Class 6 beautifully and has made a fantastic start to the year. She is full of enthusiasm and positivity, always ready to learn and take part in every activity. Her cheerful smile brightens our classroom and she consistently shows excellent behaviour setting a wonderful example for others. We are incredibly proud of the confidence, kindness, and positivity Lily shows. Keep up the fantastic work, Lily. You should be very proud of yourself!

Staff Members of the week – The Breakfast Club Team & Cleaning Staff

For their incredible support in helping Mr Grace ensure that the school was ready for the start of the new academic year and looking its very best for all of our children.

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS



St Giles School attendance for this week – 98%			
Reception –1	99%	Class 3/4	95.3%
Reception –2	91.7%	Class 4	99.2%
Class 1	97.4%	Class 5	97.7%
Class 1/2	100%	Class 5/6	98.9%
Class 2	97.5%	Class 6	99.6%
Class 3	97.7%	Target	96%

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