

# ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*Let it be known to all who enter here, that Christ is the reason for this school,  
the unseen but ever present teacher in its classes,  
the model for its children, the inspiration for its staff.*

*We aim to be a Christian community and witnesses to Christ,  
where all can experience and grow in Christian love  
through God's word and the gifts of His sacraments,  
and through prayer and personal example.*



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Dear Parents,

## Congratulations

It is lovely to start this week's newsletter with the wonderful news that Daisy (St Joseph) has a new baby brother, Tobias Oscar. He was born on Tuesday and Daisy informs me he is the most beautiful baby in the world! Both mother and baby are doing well. We look forward to meeting the newest member of St George's family soon.



## St George's Day Fun Run

Last Saturday, many of our children ran over 2 miles along the seafront to raise funds for the school. The children (and accompanying adults) were given a great send off at the Sealife Centre and ran, jogged and walked their way up to Uncle Tom's Cabin. The safety marshals who lined the route encouraged all participants to keep going. They were met at the finish line by cheering family and friends and were awarded a medal on completing the run. The effort made by all athletes was remarkable and I imagine there were aching legs the next morning. We haven't calculated a final total as sponsor money is still coming in. We ask that all monies be handed in during next week so we can print the final total before the end of term. This event would not have been so successful without the participation of all the athletes and the hard work of so many people, including parents, relatives and young leaders from St Bernard's. I would especially like to thank Mrs Cann who organised this highly successful event.



The results for the fastest girl and boy were:

Year R

Hannah & Harry

Year 1

Kyrea & Edward

Year 2

Lyric & Charlie



Year 3

Catherine & Bayley

Year 4

Grace & Todd

Year 5

Hannah & William

Year 6

Bonnie & Amelia and Ace

## Citizenship Awards

I spent a wonderful morning at Brentwood Cathedral with Millie O'H (St Peter) and her family, as she received the Citizenship Award for this year from Bishop Alan. Congratulations Millie, I hope you always remember today and how proud of you we all are!

## Dates for your diary



<u>April</u>	
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	St George's Disco Year R, 1 & 2 ~ 4.15-5.15pm Yr 3-6 5.30 - 6.30pm
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	BANK HOLIDAY
Tue 3 <sup>rd</sup>	First Holy Communion practise for 7 <sup>th</sup> May Communion date
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	PTA meeting 3.30pm
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	First Holy Communion 2016

## Head in the Clouds...



On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July, I will be raising money for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society by leaping from a plane 12,000ft above Kent. It will be a tandem Skydive so I will have an expert in very close proximity, thank goodness! I will be jumping from the plane, freefall for 30-40 seconds and then the parachute will open. Although I'm already a little bit nervous, the fact that

it is for such a worthwhile charity makes it worth the butterflies. BCCS have been a great support to the children at St George's, counselling many of them through difficult times. I have set up a donation page for anyone who wishes to sponsor me. Thank you in advance for your support.

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/annabellenorris1>

## School improvement!

This week, I met with the school council and house captains to show them plans for the development of the grass area by Year 5 & 6. The children were very excited. We will have a trim trail, a seating area and a gazebo which will support learning outside the classroom. I brought the initial plans to the last PTA meeting and will bring the final ones to next week's meeting. We hope that the project will be completed by the end of June.

## Head Teacher's Award

Well done to all the children recognised for their achievements this week.

**Natasha** (St Francis) ~ for great determination and perseverance during PE and bike-riding

**Alvin** (St Therese) ~ for being a proactive member of the class

**Monty** (St Elizabeth) ~ for persevering with his writing to produce a great book review

**Samuel** (St Bernadette) ~ for excellent Maths work involving time

**Ben R** (St Joseph) ~ for working well in all areas especially English. Keep it up!

**Grace** (St Anthony) ~ for fantastic descriptive writing this week. Keep it up!

**Hannah** (St Peter) ~ for demonstrating outstanding perseverance, independence and motivation in all subjects. Well done!

## Sports Awards

Congratulations to this week's winners

Most Improved ~ Natalia (St Therese) Sports Performer ~ Oliver (St Joseph)

## Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated a birthday this week

Isla (St Francis)

Edward (St Therese)

And Mrs Russell



## Lion King

Just a reminder that the final balance of £15 per ticket is now due. Payment can be made by cash or a cheque payable to Friends of St Georges. Please ensure that it is in a named envelope with your child's name. Please hand payment into the Office

## 100% attendance

Congratulations to Year R who had 100% attendance this week.

## Success beyond St George's

Congratulations to Isabel (St Joseph) for achieving a 'Merit' pass in her Initial Piano exam and to Isabella (St Anthony) and Laurence (St Joseph) for passing the RYA Stage 2 dingy sailing.

## Prayers



Please remember all in our community who need your prayers at this time.

Enjoy the Bank Holiday! See you on Tuesday  
God Bless,

*Miss Norris*