



ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

At St George's, God calls us by name to love,
learn and achieve together, safe in the palm of His hands.

'I have called you by your name; you are mine' Isaiah 43



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Are your children safe? A parent & carers session on E – Safety 17th January 2023

Online activity has changed all of our lives, particularly our children's. For parents and carers this opens up a whole new world of things to be aware of. For many of us, this can all be a bit too much. You might be struggling to keep up with the things your child is doing online, you might wonder whether what they are doing is safe, and you might also be thinking *how can I be as good a parent online as I am offline?*

As a school, safeguarding is of paramount importance, and this includes safety online. We deliver e-safety lessons to the children during ICT and regularly talk to them about their online activity. On Tuesday 17th January, the children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will have a session with an e-safety expert to further educate them on keeping safe.

In addition to this, we have organised a **session for parents**; one will be at **3.30pm** and one at **7pm**. We expect that every family is represented.

You may think that your child is too young, or that you have adequate filters in place etc., but we cannot stress enough the potential dangers for all of our children and how vital it is that you are aware of them. Each session lasts around 1 ½ hours, due to the amount needed to be covered. As all the staff will be attending the session, we are unable to supervise any children after school, which is why we have advertised the sessions as early as possible.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to inform us which session you will attend. We have been informed that other local primary schools have run these sessions for parents and turnout has been very high.

Let's aim for 100% at St George's!



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Head Teacher Awards

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

Darcie ~ (St Francis) ~ for always trying her best in everything and being an excellent role model for good behaviour

Melissa ~ (St Therese) ~ What a fantastic week! Melissa has tried so hard with her independent writing and is making amazing progress. Well done!

Aviya ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for her amazing enthusiasm and great understanding for our History lessons about Mary Seacole and the Great Fire of London.

Eliana ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for consistently facing all subjects with a huge smile and an "I can" attitude. Never giving up and always wanting to achieve.

Albert ~ (St Joseph) ~ for demonstrating fantastic learning behaviour and working with focus, motivation and enthusiasm. Well done, Albert!

Ellie ~ (St Anthony) ~ for creating a beautiful piece of Autumn themed observational art demonstrating a very good understanding of shading and light on the objects. Ellie was also recognised by her class friends for such a lovely piece of work during our 'Gallery Walk'.

Ottilie ~ (St Anthony) ~ for showing great empathy and understanding for the needs of others in our local community following this week's special SVP assembly. You are a great role model for us all Ottilie.

Theodore ~ (St Peter) ~ for his blossoming confidence! I have been so impressed with Theodore's participation in all lessons recently and the interest he has for our WW1 work. Well done!



Next week's dates for your diary

Mon 17 th October	Pre-loved sale 2.30pm
Wed 19 th October	Year 5 trip Year 2 class assembly 9am
Thu 20 th October	Wear Red Day – Show racism the red card Skipping Workshop in school

Congratulations!

We have a new member of the St George's family! Callie-Mae from St Francis class has a new baby brother, Jaxen. Congratulations to all the family – we can't wait to meet him!

Harvest Collection



This week we welcome Dan Cauchi into school. He spoke to the children who were very keen to play their part as good citizens and bring in a donation for the foodbank. You can find a list of the items they are collecting and on behalf of the charity, we thank you and appreciate anything you can give. We will give regular updates about the charity on our social media sites

As a school we would like to support this local charity again this year.

We are asking for any donations that families can make. Suggested items are: tinned soup; biscuits, cereal bars, pasta, noodles, jam, crisps, soup, sugar, coffee, tinned spaghetti; tinned mixed veg; tinned potatoes, tinned corn; tins of veggie food (macaroni cheese/veg, ravioli etc.) tinned fruit/custard/rice pudding, pasta sauce and UHT Milk. The children can bring the items into school and we have a dedicated area in the hall.

Pre-loved Uniform Event ~ Monday 17th October 2022

Mrs Fitzpatrick will be hosting a pre-loved uniform event in the community suite from 2.30pm. Please enter via the community suite. If you have any uniform your child will no longer use, please drop it into school to be sorted. We are looking for shirts, winter dresses, skirts, shorts, trousers, PE kits, raincoats, winter coats, school shoes etc. If you have any children's Christmas jumpers that they have out grown, please also send them in to be recycled. Please only send in good quality items.

Altar Server training

It's not too late to join the Altar Server training course. The next session is on Sunday 16th October at 3 pm in St George's church. It will then run on Sundays at St Georges until Sunday the 20th of November. The children must be catholic and have made their First Holy Communion. Mum, Dad or carer will also need to attend this session.

Our school Respect message – what a week!

At St George's

we give
RESPECT



and we get
RESPECT

This week, I had the pleasure of working with reception class to talk to them about our respect message. They were fabulous and knew all the different ways that we can show respect. I gave them their brand new Respect badges to remind them and our community that this is a key message for all our community. We also talked about what to do if someone is unkind. You can read more about our Respect message and behaviour by clicking [HERE](#)

Year R Admissions ~ September 2023

If you have a child born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, they are due to start school in September 2023

Applications can be submitted to the Local Authority from 14th September until the 15th January 2023 [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Please note that a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) must be completed which can be found on our website or you can request a copy to be sent via email. If your child has been baptised, or equivalent, in a Christian church, please send a copy of their certificate in with your application. The Supplementary Information Form is to be returned to the school by 22nd January 2023

Open mornings for Reception 2023

We will be holding information sessions for parents who are thinking of applying for a place for their child in September 2023. Each session will take place from 9.30~10.30am and will include a talk from the Headteacher, a tour of the school and the opportunity to ask questions. Please contact the office to book a place.

The dates are as follows:

Thursday 3rd November

Wednesday 9th November

Tuesday 15th November

Sports Awards

Congratulations to our three winners this week! Damian, Teddy and Albie from ST Bernadette's class were chosen for their amazing map reading skills and excellent team work. Well done!

Relationship and Health Education

St George's Catholic Primary School uses the programme, **Life to the Full**, produced by the Catholic educational organisation, Ten Ten Resources. You can find their Parent Communication Policy by clicking [HERE](#)

The **Life to the Full** programme is based on the structure of 'A Model Catholic RSE Curriculum' by the Catholic Education Service. This model curriculum was highlighted as a work of good practice by the Department of Education so we therefore have confidence that the programme will be fit for purpose in supporting the growth and development of your child.

Life to the Full is much more than a series of lessons. It is an entire platform of creative resources that will engage, inform and inspire our children and, indeed, you as parents. This includes interactive video content, story-based activities, employing a wide range of teaching tools, original worship music and an accompanying programme of classroom prayers.

In addition there will be an online parent platform so that you, as parent and carers, can engage with the teaching and deepen the experience for your child. To access the online parent platform please visit: www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal or visit our school website – click [CURRICULUM](#) where you will find the key learning objectives for your child's class.

School Username: **st-george-ss3**

School Password: **red-3**

Life to the Full is intended to be partnership between home, school and church. We know that you already do a fantastic job and we see our programme, **Life to the Full**, as a means to further develop, support and enrich the partnership between home, school and church so that your child is fully supported.

Prayers



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

God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

Two dates to add to the diary are:

Date:	Event:
Monday 17 th October	Pre loved uniform event 2.30pm in school
Wednesday 19 th October	Year 5 trip
	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am
Thursday 20 th October	Wear Red Day – Show Racism the Red Card Awareness Day
Friday 21 st October	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 24th – FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER 2022

Monday 31 st October	Children return to school
Wednesday 2 nd November	Reception – Dress up firework day
Thursday 3 rd November	Reception 2023 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Tuesday 8 th November	Individual and family school photos
Wednesday 9 th November	Reception 2023 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day Assembly led by Year 6
Tuesday 15 th November	Reception 2023 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Wear odd socks to school to raise awareness
Friday 18 th November	Southend Football Tournament (for football team)
Thursday 24 th November	Year 3 Class Assembly 9am
Wednesday 7 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play 9.15am
Thursday 8 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play 9.15am
Wednesday 14 th December	Reception Nativity Play 9.15am
Friday 16 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm at St George's Church
Monday 19 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper/Outfit day
Tuesday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER – WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2023

Thursday 5 th January	First Day of Spring Term 2023
Tuesday 17 th January	E-Safety session for parents 3.30pm or 7.00pm
Wednesday 18 th January	Chinese New Year theme day for Reception class – class to wear red
w/b 6 th February	Children's Mental Health Week

HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2023

Thursday 16 th March	Reception Class Assembly 9am
	Reception height and weight check
Monday 20 th March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent Consultations week
Mon 20 th & Tue 21 st March	Year 6 Bikeability
w/b 27 th March	Year 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross 9am Parents welcome
Wednesday 29 th March	Key Stage 2 Assisi Cross Country
Friday 31 st March	Last day of Spring Term

EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 3rd APRIL – FRIDAY 14TH APRIL 2023

Monday 17 th April	First Day of Summer Term 2023
	Year 4 Bikeability
Wednesday 19 th April	Reception Fairy-tale theme day – children to dress up
Wednesday 26 th April	Netball and Football tournament at Our Lady of Ransom
Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday
w/b 8 th May	KS2 SATs week
w/b 15 th May	KS1 Assessment week

Wednesday 24 th May	Key Stage 1 Assisi Cross Country
	Year 5 Class Assembly @ 9am
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 29TH MAY – FRIDAY 2ND JUNE 2023	
Monday 5 th June	Children return to school
w/b 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 13 th June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons
Wednesday 21 st June	Reception 2023 Induction Afternoon
Thursday 22 nd June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Friday 23 rd June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 26 th June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Tuesday 27 th June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 30 th June	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
w/b 3 rd July	Year 6 Residential Trip
Thursday 6 th July	KS1 Assisi Sports
Friday 14 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school @ 2.30pm
Friday 21 st July	Last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 24TH JULY 2023	