



# 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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To our wonderful community,



We would like to wish all of you a very peaceful and holy Christmas and a happy New Year.

and look forward to seeing you all back safe on

**MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026**



### Many thanks

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to say a huge thank you for the many cards, gifts and Christmas wishes that we have received. It was very kind of you to think of us all at this busy time.



### Goodbye and Good Luck

In assembly this morning we said thank you and farewell and bid farewell to Mrs. Phipps. May God bless you in your new adventure and we wish you the very best of luck - with all our love, Team St. George's. Today we also said goodbye to Fletcher who is also leaving us for a new chapter. We wish all the family every success in the future.

### KS2 Carol Concert

It was wonderful to see SO many families attend this week's carol service. The children sang beautifully and a BIG thank you to our readers from the different classes. I would also like to thank the staff who prepared and supported the children to perform so well.



## Mass times at St George's Catholic Church, Shoeburyness

### Christmas Eve (24<sup>th</sup> December)

We begin celebrating Christmas with a special Mass on Christmas Eve for children and young people. St George's church, 5.30pm

The later Mass is at:

St George's Church, 9.30pm

### Christmas Day (25th December)

St Gregory's Church, 8.45am & St George's Church, 10.45am

### St Stephen's Day (26th December)

St George's Church, 10.00am

### Birthdays



Congratulations to Carson (St Therese), Melissa (St Elizabeth), Victoria (St Joseph), Mrs Wall and Mrs Lawrence who are celebrating their birthday this week.

And an early 'Happy Birthday' to those who are still to celebrate their birthday in the holidays, Roisin & Brody (St Therese),

Louie (St Bernadette), Arlo, Eva, Melissa & Isla (St Joseph), Dillon (St Anthony),

Pati & Ronnie W. (St Peter), Mrs Arnold &

Mrs Stannard



### Thank you

A big thank you to the Friends of St George's who have been working hard, right up to the last minute! The children enjoyed the Christmas gift sale with lots of lovely presents on sale and really enjoyed seeing Father Christmas when he visited St George's. Thank you all!

### Year 6 Games Day

Year 6 would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the children who supported their games day today. It was a great success, and all the children loved their time in the hall – and the squash and biscuits!

### Reading Awards

Well done to the following who received their **BRONZE** award

Grace (St Francis) and Fiachra (St Anthony)

And well done to the children who received the first **SILVER** reading award for this academic year.

Isabella, Demir & Florence (St Francis), Hollie & Thomas (St Therese),

Elsie & Isabelle (St Bernadette), Milita, Lily, Ebony-Hope, Emilia & Jason (St Joseph), Sophia,

Sophie, Abigail & Teddy (St Anthony) Erin, Aaron, Sinela and Ronnie W. (St Peter)

[Link for Lunches](#) for week commencing 12th January 2026 ~ Week Three Menu

<https://forms.office.com/e/4EWkNPHYXK>

## Times Table Rock Stars

Congratulations to our TOP TEN rockstars this week.

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
Nana – Year 6	Baffuor – Year 2	Abigail – Year 5	Olivia – Year 2	Sophie – Year 5
6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
Harry – Year 4	River-Jane – Year 5	Reuben – Year 2	Freddie – Year 2	Aviya – Year 5

## Punctuality Percentages

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99%	98%	100%	98%	99%	98%	100%



### Christmas at Crowstone

Chloe and Sinela from St Peter class were chosen to sing in the Southend Girls and Southend Boys Christmas Concert last week despite only joining the choirs this term. The Christmas Carol concert was attended by the Mayor of Southend and accompanied by the Essex Yeomanry Band and is one of the highlights of the choirs' Christmas calendar.

## Prayers

This weekend, the Church celebrates the fourth week of Advent. The fourth Sunday of Advent is a time to focus on love.

Dear God.

Thank you for loving us so much.

Thank you for sending Jesus to show us how to love others every day.

Help us use kind words, gentle hands, and caring hearts.

Teach us to love our family, our friends, and everyone we meet—  
just like You love us.

As we get ready for Christmas, fill our hearts with Your love  
so we can share it with the world.

Christmas can be a very difficult time for some people and there are members of our community who will not, for different reasons, be able to celebrate over the coming fortnight. We remember all of these people in our prayers.



God Bless, *Mrs Delgado*

### Diary Dates

Further activities/dates will be added as soon as they have been finalised and will be in **BOLD**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Event:</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER – FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2026</b>	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	First Day of Spring Term 2026
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 5/6
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 3/4
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Southend Schools Football tournament (year 3/4 boys) @ Len Forge
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	ACT Dance Festival @ Palace Theatre
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Year 3 & 4 Swimming starts
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 Class Assembly
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School
	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm-5pm
	Parent-Carer Consultation week
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	ACT Music Festival @ STM
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Southend Schools Football tournament (key stage 1) @ Len Forge
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026</b>	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Netball tournament @ Cecil Jones
	Year 3 Roman Dress Up Day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 3 & 4 Girls Football @ Len Forge
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	'Hot Cross Run' @ St Thomas More
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Key Stage 1 Tag Rugby tournament @ Southend Rugby Club
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3/4 Tag Rugby tournament @ Southend Rugby Club
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	KS1 Girls Football @ Len Forge
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball League matches after school @ Cecil Jones
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Residential trip
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Feast of St Joseph
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Non uniform day for wining house team
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am
	Year 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross @ St George's Church 2pm
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of Spring Term
<b>EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026</b>	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April ~ Good Friday Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April ~ Easter Sunday	
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	First Day of Summer Term 2026
	Year 6 Bikeability

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Feast of St Bernadette
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	St George's Day
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
w/b 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS WEEK
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Crowning of Mary school celebration – details to follow
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Science Fayre 2pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	KS1 Cross Country – Pentecost Dash! @ St Teresa's, Rochford
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Back to school
w/b 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (afternoon session)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	School Class Photographs
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Induction afternoon for Reception 2026
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 1.45pm
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 6 Transition Day TBC
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.05am
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Non uniform day for winning house team
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm @ St George's Church
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026</b>	