

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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A Fabulous First Week Back!

This week has been truly wonderful! To see the children return with big smiles, ready for the day ahead, and hearing the chatter and laughter of children and staff, has been an absolute joy. Well done to ALL the children for this week. I know that the change from their 'body clock' to the 'school clock' has been a little tough - I think it has for all of us at school! I am hoping that a restful weekend, with lots of sleep, will be the perfect remedy, and by Monday morning we will all be ready for the new week ahead.

Thank you to all the parents and carers for following our drop off and pick up procedures, especially with regards to social distancing from other households. It seems to have worked extremely well, with many of you commenting on how quick it all seems to be.

As ever, your support is so appreciated.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Much love, Annabelle Delgado



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Head Teacher Awards

Lex ~ (St Francis) ~ for engaging well with all activities this week

Nancy ~ (St Therese) ~ for a fantastic start back to school. Nancy is working with such enthusiasm and a big smile! Great job, Nancy!

Elsiada ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for showing great concentration, enthusiasm and effort during her first week back at school.

Joshua ~ (St Bernadette) ~ Joshua has come back to school with enthusiasm and has worked his socks off this week. We are all so proud of him. Keep being a superstar Joshua!

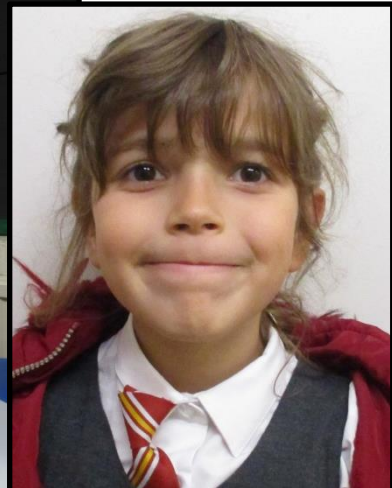
Samuel B ~ (St Joseph) ~ for working hard this week in all subjects, always being incredibly kind and sharing his infectious smile with those around him.

Ernie ~ (St Anthony) ~ for a fantastic first week back in school. You have shown a bright smile and great enthusiasm in all our activities this week. Keep up the amazing work!

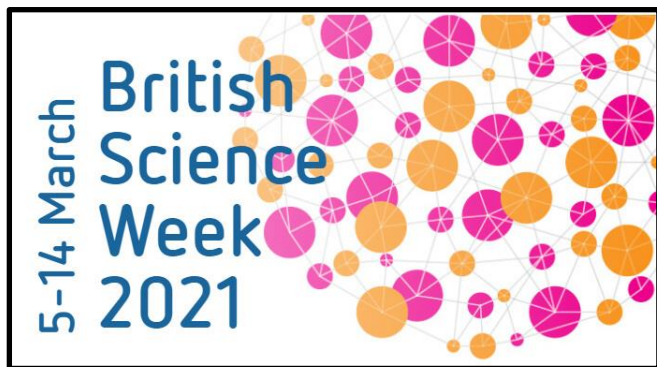
St Peter's Class ~ for settling back into school life brilliantly - you have been a pleasure to teach. Well done!

And the final Head Teacher certificate was awarded after I received a wonderful email from this pupil's Auntie. She had been amazed by the kindness, love and care he had shown to her during this lock down and wanted to share this with me.

William (St Peter) for going above and beyond with his kindness and showing a wonderful Christian attitude by looking after someone who he cares about tremendously, but also who he knows needs a bit of extra help at the moment.



Science Week 2021



It was wonderful to return back to school during Science Week 2021. Each class had different challenges to face, different experiments to work through and different inventors to research. They also had a different mystery box which the children had to try and identify the contents inside. All of these supported collaborative, creative, investigative work that relied on getting

involved using your ideas whilst listening to the ideas of others. At this afternoon's Celebration Assembly, each class shared the CV of their chosen inventor and Mrs Bracknell announced a Scientist of the Week from each Year group, who demonstrated outstanding engagement, great knowledge and super understanding.

The winners are:

Ellie (St Francis) ~ for great enthusiasm and use of vocabulary during our science investigation.

Billy (St Therese) ~ for super enthusiasm, ideas, knowledge and for brilliant use of scientific vocabulary.

Albert (St Elizabeth) ~ for his enthusiasm in our science investigations and for showing great scientific skills such as predicting, questioning, observing and evaluating.

Julia (St Bernadette) ~ for her enthusiasm about learning about Ada Lovelace. Julia loved our scientist so much she wanted to read all about Ada and learn more!

Ottillie (St Bernadette) ~ for her amazing effort and enthusiasm learning about algorithms and computers. Recording information is also a key scientific skill which Ottillie did clearly and with lots of detail. Well done!

Thomas (St Joseph) ~ for all his hard work on habitats and classification.

Edie, Hannah and Isabelle (St Anthony) ~ for demonstrating excellent scientific knowledge, great investigative skills and a super enquiring mind, with wonderful examples of collaboration, risk taking and resilience. All of these qualities have resulted in outstanding work throughout Science Week 2021.

Harley, Edward and Noah ~ (St Peter) ~ for using innovative ideas and engineering skills, when making their marble run.

Mrs Philips Reading Awards

Congratulations to **River-Jane & Alex** (St Francis), **David & Isabelle** (St Bernadette), **James & Nate** (St Anthony) who earned their BRONZE reading certificate this week and to our SILVER award readers:

Sebastian, Alex, Dalton & Aviya (St Francis), **Charlotte, Nathan, Aaron & Sinela** (St Therese), **Ottillie & Samuel** (St Bernadette), **Joseph** (St Joseph) and **Dylan, Joseph & Charles** (St Anthony)
...And GOLD award recipients

Sophie, Sophia, Abigail & Ezinne (St Francis), **Jacob, Hannah, George & Samuel** (St Bernadette), **Florence** (St Joseph), **Scarlett** (St Anthony) and **Natalia** (St Peter)

Sports News and Awards

After Easter, Southend United Football club will be running an afterschool club on a Tuesday and Thursday (one for years 1-3, the other for years 4-6). A letter has been sent out giving further information. You can access it by clicking [HERE](#)

It's only the first week back and we already have Sports Awards this week! This is a group performance award for:

Kieran, Olivia, Mia and Isabelle ~ They demonstrated that the key to an excellent performance is amazing teamwork. They listened and cooperated and made sure everyone was equal in their dance this week. Well done!

Birthdays



Congratulations to everyone celebrating their birthday this week.

Iris-Ivy (St Therese), **Lily** (St Elizabeth), **Samuel** (St Joseph)
Scarlett (St Anthony) and **Zofia** (St Peter)

School Updates

Summer Uniform

Even though this week hasn't felt that Spring like and the the thought of summer still seems a while away, we will be changing from winter uniform to summer uniform when we return after Easter. From the 12th April, the uniform will be:

Boys	Girls
<u>School</u> polo shirt (white with embroidered badge) to order from EM-IT , our stockist, click HERE	<u>Red check</u> summer dress or 'playsuit' (shorts in place of a skirt) **
Grey socks	White socks
Black shoes	Black shoes (no heels or open toe shoes)
<u>School</u> pullover (navy)	<u>School</u> pullover or cardigan (navy)
School reversible fleece jacket or a waterproof outdoor coat (with hood)	School reversible fleece jacket or a waterproof outdoor coat (with hood)
<u>School</u> baseball/summer hat	<u>School</u> baseball/summer hat
** You can buy a red and white checked summer dress from the school or any stockist, Asda, Tesco etc. In order that it is accepted as school uniform, it must; <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ be a red and white checked dress ~ no stripes✓ have a predominately white collar (different edging designs are acceptable)	

We do hold a limited stock of summer dresses priced at £3.50 (please check WisePay for sizes) These can be ordered and paid for via WisePay and will come home with your child.

Red Nose Day 2021



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- Wear accessories, such as a wig, joke specs, a strange hat etc
- Or just try and make as many people smile that day with a kind word or act.

I am sure the children will amaze us with their creativity! We ask that if you would like to take part, the children bring a donation in (there will be buckets at each of the gates). Thank you in advance for your support.

Staff Car Park

Now that we are all back, including all members of staff, can we ask that parents and carers DO NOT use the car park before, during or after the school day as it can cause congestion on the road outside. This includes families who make use of breakfast and after school clubs. Thank you in advance for your support.

£1 Book Token

Your child should have received a £1 Book Token this week. Unfortunately due to the current situation, we are unable to hold a Book Fair this term but the vouchers can still be used in the book section of most supermarkets up to the 28th March. We plan to hold a Book Fair later in the year, so watch this space. (we do have some spare tokens should your child lose their's. Please message the office).

Mrs Philips

Confirmation of remaining dates for the year 2020-21

With travel restrictions hopefully being lifted in the next month or so, it may be helpful to re-publish important dates to help families plan ahead. The governors agreed the final INSET day at their last meeting, so the school can confirm the last day of school for the children will be Friday 16th July 2021.

<u>Date</u>	
Monday 29 th March – Friday 9 th April 2021	Easter Holidays
Monday 12 th April 2021	Back to school for the Summer Term
Monday 3 rd May 2021	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2021	Half Term Holiday
Friday 18 th June & Monday 21 st June 2021	INSET days school closed to children
Friday 16 th July 2021	Final day of Summer Term

And finally.....



May I wish all our Mums, Grandmas and Aunties a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday. I trust you will all receive star treatment, pampering and lots of love – you all certainly deserve it after the last few months!

God Bless and wishing you all a lovely weekend.

See you on Monday,

Mrs Delgado