



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,

Thank you Year 6 for leading our Remembrance assembly on Monday morning. It was a beautiful and very moving service. We think of all families whose lives have been affected by the loss of loved ones due to war. We especially pray for all the service men and women who gave their today for our tomorrow. We also think about those who are involved in wars around the world. As a community, we pray for peaceful resolutions to the conflicts.



Half Term Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19 th November	Reception 2025 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Thursday 21 st November	Assisi Catholic Trust Choir Competition @ St Thomas More
w/b Monday 25 th November	Last week of Teacher Led Clubs
Wednesday 27 th November	Reception 2025 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Thursday 28 th November	Winter Disco – details to follow
Friday 29 th November	Football league match v Milton Hall after school
Saturday 30 th November	ST GEORGE'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE
Friday 6 th December	Santa Rally @ Alleyn Court
Tuesday 10 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play 9.15am
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play 9.15am
Friday 13 th December	Reception Nativity Play 9.15am
Monday 16 th December	Christmas Games Day
	Non uniform day for winning house team



Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm at St George's Church
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper/Outfit day
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn term



Welcome Home!

We were very pleased to hear from Jessica's mummy that Jessica is now home! Fingers crossed, she'll be back with us very soon. Thank you for all your prayers.

Children In Need 2024 - Friday 15th November 2024



Thank you to everyone who supported our Children In Need fundraiser today. The children looked magnificent in their outfits and were super movers and groovers during the dance-a-thon!

Football News

Our football team were in action last Friday in a Southend tournament. The boys played exceptionally well. They came second overall and were very proud of themselves, as were Mrs Sapsford and I. Well done to:

Henry, Harry S., George, Jake, Albert,
Albie & Freddie



Star Gazing!

On Thursday evening Year 5 took part in their first star gazing event at school. Even though the weather was not ideal due to cloud coverage, the children were brilliant and engaged with using the telescopes, toasting marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate. A special thank you to Mrs Marquis for organising the event and Mrs Wayman, Mr Dabrowski and Mr Delgado for their support and knowledge.



Head Teachers Award

Congratulations to our winners this week.

Isla ~ (St Francis) ~ for always doing her best and for being kind and helpful to others.

Josie ~ (St Therese) ~ Josie has made an excellent effort with her phonics and writing this week. She's been a super listener & has tried her best this week. Keep it up Josie!

Rory ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ Rory shows great concentration and listening skills, he always works hard in all areas and is keen to do his very best. Keep it up!

Sophie ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for showing more independence in maths this week and demonstrating a great knowledge of times tables. Well done Sophie!

Sonny ~ (St Joseph) ~ for being an exceptional role model of learning and behaviour in year 4. He is always ready for a challenge and is always willing to help others.

Ada ~ (St Anthony) ~ for showing focus and determination within all lessons, being in charge of her learning with a desire to achieve - it's been a pleasure to see. Keep it up!

Rosie ~ (St Peter) ~ for working with focus and independence in all subjects. She demonstrates excellent learning behaviour, listening well and contributing appropriately. Well done, Rosie!

Bronze reading Awards

Another wave of BRONZE reading certificates this week! Congratulations to:

Thomas & Harry (St Francis), Demi, Taliah, Philippa, Edie, Olivia, Lacey-May, Baffour & Reuben (St Therese), Darcie (St Elizabeth), Elsie & Keziah (St Bernadette), Lex, Aviya, Alex, Ezinne & Megan (St Joseph), Aaron, Shia, Billy, Sinela, Darcey & Albie (St Anthony) and Harry S. & Albert (St Peter)

Festive Christmas Card Competition

Purple Mash are once again running a Festive Christmas Card Competition. You will need to log in to Purple Mash and get started with '2Paint a Picture' to design your card. Remember you can pick any painting style that you like. When you have finished, save your work and submit it to the competition 'Display Board', in the correct age group. Everyone is welcome to enter the competition and your design can reflect whatever this time of year means to you.

The winning design will become the official Purple Mash festive card and the winners will be awarded 50 printed copies of their card, a £20 Amazon voucher and a Goody Bag. The closing date for the competition is Friday 22nd November. Good luck!

Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance

Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th December 2022 at 9.15am ~ entry via the Eagle Way gate from 8.55am. We ask that if you are queuing, you are mindful not to block the gate. On arrival, you can wait under the canopy and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, organised by the Friends of St George's.

Each family will have two seats for each performance (four in total). When you arrive, we will direct you to your allocated row and you can choose where in the row you would like to sit.

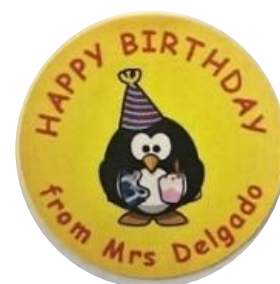
Reception class Nativity Performance

Friday 13th December at 9.15am. ~ entry as above, including the tea and coffee!

Each family will have four seats for the performance. Two seats will be in rows 1-3 and the other 2 seats will be in rows 4-6. When you arrive, we will direct you to your allocated row and you can choose where in the row you would like to sit.

Birthdays

Congratulations to Violet (St Therese), Rory (St Elizabeth), Blossom & Padmé (St Joseph) and Mrs Cracknell who celebrated their birthdays this week.



Punctuality Percentages

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99%	98%	99%	97%	99%	97%	98%

Year R Admissions ~ September 2025

If you have a child born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021, they are due to start school in September 2025

Applications can be submitted to the Local Authority from now until 15th January 2025

[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 2025

Open mornings for Reception 2025

We will be holding information sessions for parents who are thinking of applying for a place for their child in September 2025. 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 19th November

Wednesday 27th November

Prayers

We keep all our community in our thoughts and prayers.



God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

Further activities/dates will be added as soon as they have been finalised.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER – FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY 2025	
Monday 6 th January	First Day of Spring Term 2025
Thursday 9 th January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 5/6
Friday 10 th January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 3/4
Tuesday 11 th February	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School

Thursday 13 th February	Year 5 Class Assembly
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 17TH – FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025	
Wednesday 26 th February	Netball tournament @ Alleyn Court
Monday 3 rd March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent & Carer Consultation week
Tuesday 4 th March	Shrove Tuesday
Tuesday 18 th March	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School
Wednesday 5 th March	Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 19 th March	Feast of St Joseph
Monday 24 th March	Key Stage 2 Assisi Cross Country
Tuesday 25 th –Fri 28 th March	Year 6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 2nd April	Year 5 trip
Friday 4 th April	Last day of Spring Term
EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 7TH APRIL – FRIDAY 18TH APRIL 2025 Wednesday 16 th April – Feast of St Bernadette Friday 18 th April ~ Good Friday Sunday 20 th April ~ Easter Sunday	
Tuesday 22 nd April	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Wednesday 23 rd April	First Day of Summer Term 2025
Monday 28 th April	St George's Day
Monday 5 th May	Bank holiday
w/b 12 th May	Year 6 SATS WEEK
Thursday 22 nd May	Key Stage 1 Assisi Cross Country @ St Teresa's, Rochford
Friday 23 rd May	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 26TH MAY – FRIDAY 30TH MAY 2025	
Monday 2nd June	First Day of Summer Term 2025
Friday 6th June	Year 4 Class Assembly @9.05am
w/b 9th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 10th June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (afternoon session)
Friday 13th June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Tuesday 17 th June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 20th June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 23rd June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Friday 27th June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Wednesday 2nd July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.05am
Tuesday 8 th July	Year 5 Taster Day @ St Thomas More & St Bernard's

Thursday 3rd July	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
Wednesday 16th July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Monday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm
Wednesday 23 rd July	Last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY THURSDAY 24TH JULY 2025	