



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,

HALF TERM ~ Monday 22nd – Friday 26th October

Mon 29 th	Back to school in WINTER UNIFORM
Tue 30 th	<u>Volunteer parents/carers session planned for Tuesday 30th will be rescheduled for later in the term. Apologies for any inconvenience.</u>
Wed 31 st	Reception 2019 Information session 9.30am
NOVEMBER DATES	
Thu 1 st Nov	All Saints Day ~ Mass @ St George's 9.30 am ~ everyone is welcome.
Sun 4 th	Friends of St George's Coffee Morning
Mon 5 th	Individual and family school photos
Wed 7 th	Year 3 class trip
Thu 8 th	Reception 2019 Information session 9.30am
	Deanery Football & Netball Tournament pm @ Our Lady of Ransom
Fri 9 th	Year 6 REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLY ~ Everyone is welcome to attend 10.40am
Sat 10 th	Parish Firework Night at St Gregory's 6.00pm doors open, firing at 7.30pm
Tue 13 th	Reception 2019 Information session 9.30am
Wed 14 th	Year 1 & 2 class trip
	PTA meeting @2.30pm in the Community Suite
Thu 15 th	Year 4 Class Assembly 9am
W/b Mon 19 th	Last week of clubs ~ excluding Steps Ahead (last session 4 th Dec) and Southend United Football Club (last session 13 th Dec)
Thu 22 nd	Year 3 Class Assembly 9am
Sat 24 th	Joint School and Parish Christmas Fayre 12-3pm



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I cannot believe that we are already at the end of the first half term! It's been a great first seven weeks at the school. It has been wonderful to welcome our reception children to the family of St George's. They have settled extremely well and their Year 6 buddies have been wonderful companions and role models. Thank you to the staff for their commitment and the children for always trying hard to do their best. Currently, **141** children still have 100% attendance and I hope this continues in the second half of the term.

Just to remind all parents that when we return after half term, all children are expected to wear winter uniform.

Class Assembly

Well done to St Therese's class for their super assembly on Thursday morning. They celebrated 'Families' and we were host to some famous faces! My thanks go to Mrs McLoughlin, Mrs Fitchew and the class LSA's for supporting, organising and preparing the children.

Parent Consultations & Open Evening ~ New Online Booking system!!!

It will soon be time to book your Parent Consultations. The sessions will be held over three evenings including the Open Evening.

We have made some improvements in how you book your Parent Consultation. From week commencing Monday 29th October an email will be sent to you inviting you to choose & select your preferred time & date. If you have more than one child you will receive one email per child. Please book early to avoid any disappointments!

The dates are as follows:

Monday 26th November ~ 3.30pm – 5pm

Tuesday 27th November ~ 3.30pm – 5pm

Wednesday 28th November ~ 4.00pm – 6.40pm

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated this week:

Faith, Xavier & Lexi Rose (St Anthony)

And to those celebrating during the half term holiday.

Henry (St Francis), Albert (St Therese), Eva & Aubrey (St Elizabeth),
Harley & Thomas (St Bernadette), Noah (St Joseph), Murphy & Henry (St Peter)
Mr Sims and Mrs O'Shea

Individual School Photos

The school's photographer will be in school on **MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER** for individual and family group pictures. If you have any pre-school children that you would like to be included with their siblings, please come to the front entrance from 8.30am.

Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child is a charity that St. George's supports every year and one that our children enjoy very much. We are awaiting some wrapped shoeboxes to hand out after half term but if you want to get a head start and fill your own shoebox over half term, we will be happily accepting them from Monday 29th October. We are planning to have any boxes collected in the last week of November. For those of you who have never filled a shoebox before (or even those who need a quick reminder!)

- ✓ Get an empty medium sized shoebox, and wrap the box and lid separately in colourful wrapping paper.
- ✓ Mark on the box if your gift is for a boy or a girl.
- ✓ Select an age category 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14 and attach the label to the top of your shoebox.
- ✓ Fill your shoebox with a selection of fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. If possible, include one or two special items you know a child will love such as a doll or cuddly toy.
- ✓ A suggested donation of £5 is essential to cover project costs, including shipping, to enable a local church or group overseas to lead a safe, well-organised children's event where your shoebox will be given to a child in need. You can enclose cash or cheque (to Samaritan's Purse) and place it in an envelope inside your shoebox on top of the contents. If you are packing multiple shoeboxes you can write a cheque for one combined donation.
- ✓ If you are unable to fill a shoe box but would like to donate a couple of items we will happily fill some extra boxes in school.
- ✓ The School Council will be attaching the labels and keeping count of the boxes.

Each box will make such a difference to a child's life. On behalf of the charity, I thank you for your support.

Altar Servers

If your child would like to train to be an altar server (they need to have made their first holy communion), the training continues on Sunday 21st October after the 10.45am Mass. New beginners still welcome!

Celebrating the Centenary

The Royal British Legion will launch their Annual Poppy Appeal at the Leigh Community Centre on Saturday October 27th 10.00-16.00. This is a family event to celebrate the Centenary of the End of World War 1. They will be showing films from the Southend Schools Festival of Remembrance Project, which includes children who took part in the Poppy Exhibition last year with Mrs Gillett (Current Year 3 children). There will be a free poppy making table where artist Ali Ward is going to be creating weavings and clay poppies for those who would like to take part.

Poppies

This week, Year Two children have made and painted clay poppies for a Poppy Exhibition in the gardens at Southend Airport. The display will be open to visitors from November 8th. As a school we are aiming to create our own poppy display using the base of 2 litre plastic bottles (we will be recycling the rest of the bottle). We ask that each child brings in an empty 2 litre bottle during the first week back which will then be shaped and painted for our poppy display. Thank you in advance for your support.



Head Teachers Awards

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

Ruvarashe ~ (St Francis) ~ for her positive attitude to everything and loving life at St George's!

Tawana ~ (St Therese) ~ for showing an enthusiastic attitude to school this week. He has tried really hard to focus and work independently in maths and made a super contribution to the class assembly. Well done Tawana!

Corey ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for always working hard and trying his best at everything he does.

Keep setting a great example for others to follow, Corey!

Scarlett ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for working really hard this week, acting very responsibly in class and being a great role model for others to follow.

Gabriel ~ (St Joseph) ~ a fantastic first half term in Year 4. He is always hard-working and very enthusiastic about his learning. Keep it up Gabriel!

Isabelle ~ (St Anthony) ~ for being a wonderful role model to others. She is hard-working, enthusiastic and resilient in all areas of the curriculum. Keep being a superstar!

Alice ~ (St Peter) ~ for being a fantastic role model to others. She is conscientious, respectful and kind – an all-round superstar! Well done!

Sports Award

Congratulations to our winners this week

Lily (St Anthony) ~ Most improved ~ **Heidi** (St Francis) ~ Sports Performer

Attendance Award

Well done to Year 5 who had the best attendance this half term. Will you keep it up during next term?

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95.6%	94.2%	95.9%	97.3%	95.3%	97.6%	96.7%

Open mornings for Reception 2019

We will be holding information sessions for parents who are thinking of applying for a place for their child in September 2019. Each session will take place from 9.30~10.30am.

Wednesday 31st October

Thursday 8th November

Tuesday 13th November

Please ring the school office (01702 293522) to make an appointment.

Running Miles

This week's results are:

Class	Miles this week	Total so far	Travelled to....
Reception	n/a	n/a	n/a
Year 1	77.3	411.4	Leeds
Year 2	69.7	420.4	Leeds
Year 3	72.2	422.9	Leeds
Year 4	74.8	427.3	Leeds
Year 5	84.9	500.4	Newcastle
Year 6	86.3	505.3	Newcastle

School of Rock Theatre Trip ~ Only 8 tickets left!



You can still order your tickets for School of Rock during the first week back after half term. You need to complete the slip at the end of this newsletter and put it in an envelope with the deposit for each ticket and hand it in to the office. It is for the evening performance at

London's Gillian Lynne Theatre on **Thursday 13th June 2019**, the start of the school's long weekend break. The tickets are £76.00 face value as they are front stalls, however we are selling them at **£45** which includes the return coach journey. You will need to pay the deposit of £30 by **MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER** and the remaining balance by **MONDAY 20TH MAY 2019**. This event will **NOT** clash with the junior music next year.

School Nurse Drop In Session

On Monday 19th November our school nurse will be holding a drop-in session from 9.00am – 11.00am. So if you have any concerns no matter how big or small, please pop along for a chat.

Learn to Ride Sessions

Tuesday 23 October 2018 – LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE, BOOK NOW!

Belfairs Academy, Leigh on Sea

Suitable for ages 4 years of age upwards~ 1:1 sessions with an accredited instructor for 45 minutes. With own bike £25 ~ With hire bike £30

For further details and to book a session go to www.cyclesouthend.co.uk

For queries: 01702 215595

RAINBOWS

If your child is struggling through a painful experience, and you would like any further information on how we could support them, through group mediation, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Delgado or your child's class teacher.



Harley's Birthday Bash!

Harley's birthday bash

October 26th 2018

entertainer
bouncy castle
balloon modeling
majorette performance
super hero's & princesses
face painting
music, dancing &
more.

limited tickets available from (21/09/2018) at SCF (address below) every Friday from 9am - 1pm. please ask to speak to Carly or Sharon.

All proceeds go to Harley

£3 a child
£1 1 and under
adults free

kids lunch available £2.50 (must pre book)

Southend Christian Fellowship, 909 Southchurch Road, Southend-on-Sea Essex, SS2 2PT Tel: (01702) 461416 Email: info@southendchristianfellowship.org.uk Website: www.southendchristianfellowship.org.uk Registered Charity No: 298541

Prayers



Please remember all in our community.

Have a wonderful half term holiday, see you on Monday 29th October,
God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

School of Rock

 Thursday 13th June 2019

Lead Name:

Contact mobile number:

Email address:
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Number of tickets required:

Ticket Price £45

Deposit - £30 per ticket due by 5th November 2018

Final payment - £15 per ticket will be due by 20th May 2019