



# 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,

## Half Term Dates for your Diary

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly led by Year 6 10.40am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	School Individual Photographs
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception 2025 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Football league match v Thorpedene 1pm – no spectators
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu immunisation
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception 2025 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Assisi Catholic Trust Choir Competition @ St Thomas More
w/b Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Last week of Teacher Led Clubs
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception 2025 Information Session for parents and carers 9.30am
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Winter Disco – details to follow
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Football league match v Milton Hall after school
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	ST GEORGE'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa Rally @ Alleyn Court
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play 9.15am
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## Children In Need 2024 - Friday 15th November 2024

This year, we will be supporting Children in Need by performing a whole school dance session led by Mrs Bracknell! The children can come to school dressed in their own clothes, taking inspiration from Pudsey, choosing yellow and spotty outfits, go for a superhero style or be as creative as they like! Whatever they choose, wear something that will make the whole school smile! We ask that the children wear suitable footwear for dancing – we recommend trainers for the day. If your child has P.E., the lesson will work around all outfits!

If you would like your child to participate, we ask for £1 donation. Unfortunately we can't take cash on the day but ask you to use the link below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=16479>

Thank you in advance for your support

## Winter Uniform

It was lovely to see the children returning to school in their winter uniforms this week. Now that the weather is getting colder, the children need to make sure they have a suitable coat (ideally waterproof with a hood) with them at school and hats and gloves on those cold mornings! Could I remind all parents to label everything and warm hats need to be plain in design and practical/suitable for school. You can purchase a school embroidered knitted hat from our uniform supplier [Brand Identity](#) (delivery or collection within 24 hours, Monday – Friday)

If it is particularly cold/wet and the children need wear boots to walk to school, they will need to bring their school shoes to change into.

## P.E. Kit reminder

As the weather is changing and getting colder, the children will need extra layers for P.E. sessions. The children can wear the red school sweatshirt/ plain red sweatshirt and plain all black or all navy tracksuit bottoms/leggings -no stripes/patterns/other colours. Socks must be plain grey or white, no stripes, logos etc.

Thank you in advance for your support.

## Artist of the Month

This month's artist has been chosen from St Therese class. Year 1 have been learning all about the Italian artist, Modigliani. Edie created her artwork by outlining with charcoal to emphasise the long face and neck and create mask like eyes. Edie chose her colours using chalk pastels to add shading to her portrait and create a beautiful background. Well done, Edie!





### Head Teachers Award

*Congratulations to our winners this week*

*Zara ~ (St Francis) ~ for always listening well and giving 100% effort in every activity. Well done, Zara!*

*Beau ~ (St Therese) ~ Beau has been a superstar – before and after the half term break. He is showing fantastic listening and is trying hard in everything. Well done, Beau!*

*Isabelle ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ For always showing great enthusiasm for learning new things and demonstrating great determination to do her best in everything she does! Well done and keep it up!*

*Harry ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for super effort and enthusiasm in Maths this week. Well done Harry!*

*Ellie ~ (St Joseph) ~ for showing outstanding determination with her learning and always striving to achieve her best – keep up the fantastic work!*

*Sienna ~ (St Anthony) ~ for working incredibly hard with her maths this week, having an "I can" attitude – Well done, Sienna. Keep it up!*

*Imogen ~ (St Peter) ~ for working hard in all lessons and taking pride in the work she produces – her presentation is outstanding. Well done, Imogen!*

### Bronze reading Awards

Today we presented our FIRST Bronze reading certificates of the year, marking 50 reads since we returned in September. Congratulations to:

Hollie (St Francis), Conor, Violet S., Beau, John-Luke, Reu'ven, Sophie & Hallie-May (St Therese), Joshua, Isla, Isabelle, Elsie & Rory (St Elizabeth), Eva, Jason, Milita, Ebony-Hope, Victoria & Emilia (St Bernadette), Teddy, Toby, Abigail, Sophia & Ryan (St Joseph), (St Anthony) and Vince, Kamila, Elijah, Harry S., Imogen, Heidi, Blossom & Padmé (St Peter)

### Remembrance Day

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, Year 6 will be leading the school in our Remembrance Day assembly. Families of Year 6 are very welcome to attend. The assembly will begin at 10.40am.

### School Photographs

The photographer will be in school on WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER to take individual and family photos. Any children who do not attend St George's are very welcome from 8.30am onwards for a family photograph. Please come to the front entrance. All siblings in school will have a family picture taken. YEAR 3 children will need to come to school in their usual uniform and bring their P.E. kits to change into. Thank you in advance for your support.

### Assisi Catholic Trust Netball and Football Tournament



On Wednesday, we sent our fabulous football and netball teams to the ACT tournament, hosted at St Thomas More. As it was an Assisi event, we played against all the other primary schools in our Trust. Our football team had a mixture of results – wins, draws and losses – and came 5<sup>th</sup> overall. The netball team chalked up 5 wins out of 6! We were joint top on points so it went to goal difference and we just missed out. The girls were very happy with the silver medals though! Both teams were fantastic and we thank you all for being such great representatives of our school.

Robyn, Beatrice, Ruva, Heidi, Lily, Lyla, Rosie, Imogen & Elsiada  
Jake, Harry S., George, Albert, Elijah, Henry, Freddie & Albie



## Cross Country Relay



Today we took teams of runners from Years 1-6 to Thorpe Hall school for a cross-country relay. The course was around the school field and into the woods so they were able to experience some real trail running. Every member of the team put in an amazing effort and was rewarded with a medal. We are extremely proud of their performances.

## Girls Football

It was great to have so many girls joining in with our lunchtime football training. If anyone has shin pads at home that they no longer use and are happy to donate, please could you bring them to the school office so that we have enough for everyone.



## Sports Award

This week's winners are from different classes, but believe it or not, from the same family! **Sam** from St Peter's class has been chosen as Mrs Bracknell really noticed his excellent effort in dance this week. He listened carefully to the feedback given to make his dancing even better. Mrs Arnold chose **Charlotte** from St Bernadette class for her amazing effort and being the most improved performer in the mighty mile. Well done to both of you!

## Birthdays

Congratulations to **Ayden** (St Therese), **Isabella** (St Bernadette), **Lex** (St Joseph) and **Mrs Marquis** who celebrated their birthdays this week.



## Punctuality Percentages

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97%	99%	98%	97%	97%	97%	95%

## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

### Prayers

We keep all our community in our thoughts and prayers. We especially ask you to pray for Jessica from St Francis class. She is poorly in hospital at the moment, so we send all our love and prayers, to Jessica and her family.



God Bless,

*Mrs Delgado*

### Diary Dates

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

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Event:</b>
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup> – FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2024</b>	
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<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER – FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2025</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	First Day of Spring Term 2025
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 5/6
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 3/4
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 Class Assembly
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2025</b>	
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Netball tournament @ Alleyn Court
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent & Carer Consultation week
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Shrove Tuesday
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Feast of St Joseph
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Key Stage 2 Assisi Cross Country
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> –Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 5 trip
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Spring Term
<b>EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025</b> Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April - Feast of St Bernadette Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April ~ Good Friday Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April ~ Easter Sunday	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	First Day of Summer Term 2025
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	St George's Day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
w/b 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS WEEK

Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Key Stage 1 Assisi Cross Country @ St Teresa's, Rochford
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025</b>	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	First Day of Summer Term 2025
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Class Assembly @9.05am
w/b 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (afternoon session)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.05am
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Taster Day @ St Thomas More & St Bernard's
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day of term
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025</b>	