



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 parents, carers and community,

As many of you may know, this academic year is St George's Catholic Primary School Golden Anniversary. We are 50! The school was built in 1970 and opened in the September. We had begun planning events for this year last September, and along with the PTA, we were building up quite a list. All of the events focused on coming together as a community, past and present, young and old. Sadly, because of restrictions that are in place, and have been since March, we have not been able to celebrate our 'birthday' at all so far. I am not sure when things will ease, so we can start planning dates, but please be assured, when we do celebrate, EVERYONE is invited! It may be that we celebrate '50 years and 12 months', or something similar. It is important that we do it at the right time, when everyone is able to join with us. All I can really say is 'Watch this Space!'



This week though, the office received a phone call from Mr Snelling, grandad to Ava-Joy, Alicia and Sonny. He asked if he could pop in and see me about something. We met in the office foyer (following all social distancing guidelines!) and he presented me with a handmade wooden cross that he had shaped, carved and finished himself.

It is beautiful.

The photo shows the cross being held by Mr Snelling's three grandchildren. I know they are very, very proud of their grandfather. We will find a place to hang this amazing cross, an unexpected, but wonderful, anniversary gift for our school community.



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Children In Need 2020

Thank you to everyone who supported Children In Need this year. The children looked fabulous and had a wonderful day. We even had our very own Superman! Pictures can be seen on our school Facebook and Instagram page. Have a great evening watching and don't forget to donate! You can use the link below.

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/donate/> We will not be collecting any money at the school due to current lockdown measures.



Anti-Bullying Week 2020



Don't forget 'ODD SOCKS DAY' on Monday 16th November. It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

Friends of St George's News ~ Annual General Meeting

The Friends of St George's AGM will take place on Tuesday 8th December 2020 at 2.00pm online. We will publish the link for 'Google Meet' a week before, in the newsletter.

As parents/carers at St George's School, you are all members and are invited to attend.

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers who are willing not only to raise money which will benefit all of the pupils at the school, but also help organise and run social events throughout the year (adhering to any restrictions which could lead to some 'out of the box' thinking!) If you feel that you would like to play an active part in the school community, you may like to consider putting yourself forward for one of the positions.

Each post is for a year and at the end of that time you can choose to either stand down or put yourself forward for re-election.

The posts are: **Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary positions.**

If you think you may be interested and would like a little more information, please do not hesitate to contact the school and we can put you in touch with members of the current committee. In addition to these, we also need CLASS REPS. This role requires you to be a link between the committee and parents/carers in that class, giving information, asking for support and taking forward any ideas etc. The class reps need to be nominated in the same way as the other FOSG positions. **Any person wishing to put themselves forward for any of these positions must complete the nomination form which will be emailed to all parents.** You need two people (one to nominate and one to second) who are parents or carers with children attending the school. You then sign the form accepting the proposal. The form must be completed and emailed to the office (or posted in the postbox located on the gate) or a standing committee member before the AGM. To make this meeting certified it is important that we have **at least 30 parents/teachers** so please try to spare 30 minutes to attend. We look forward to seeing as many of you on screen as possible!



Head Teacher Awards

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

Ezinne (St Francis) ~ for fantastic phonics and reading this week. Well done!

Ronnie C. ~ (St Therese) ~ What a superstar! Ronnie has tried so hard with his handwriting this week, practising all the time and working his socks off. Well done, Ronnie!

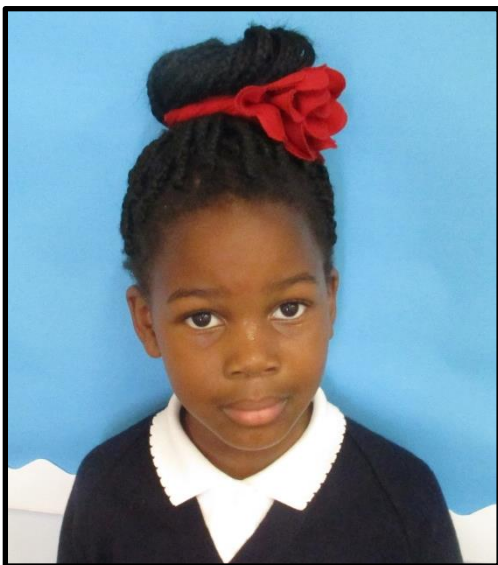
Max (St Elizabeth) ~ -for his very moving and fantastic acrostic poem all about Poppies and Remembrance Day.

Oscar (St Bernadette) ~ for his exceptional hard work and effort in all areas of the curriculum and his enthusiasm for our Stone Age topic!

Polly (St Joseph) ~ for producing excellent work on a daily basis. She is enthusiastic, helpful and her attitude in lessons is really impressive. Keep it up, Polly!

Dylan (St Anthony) ~ for fantastic English writing, sharing super sentence structure in our work linked to The Piano this week. Keep up the great work Dylan!

Henry (St Peter) ~ -for his fabulous optical illusion drawing. He remembered exactly how to create the optical illusion and used shading to great effect. Well done Henry!



Bronze reading Awards

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

Imogen (St Elizabeth), Kieran & George (St Bernadette), Joshua, Georgina, Thomas, Samuel S.,

Florence I., Florence R-F., Daniel & Alex (St Joseph)

Hannah, Harry C., Isis, Samuel, William & Logan (St Anthony) and Alvin & Fred (St Peter)

Running Miles

This week's results are:

Class	Miles this week	Miles this half term	Total so far	Travelled to....
Reception	41.7	82.8	181.6	Norwich
Year 1	71.3	143.9	547.6	Newcastle
Year 2	73.5	150.1	583.6	Edinburgh
Year 3	69.4	134.7	440.1	Leeds
Year 4	76.3	151.0	587.7	Edinburgh
Year 5	75.6	152.8	607	Glasgow
Year 6	78.2	155.0	601.3	Glasgow

Today, all the children were presented with a Mini Marathon medal. A few months ago, Miss Rusz contacted the marathon organisers who were encouraging children to run 2.6 miles as a mini marathon, in place of the usual marathon. Miss Rusz applied for all the children of St George's because of their hard work and commitment to running the daily mile, three times a week. Well done to everyone and thank you to Miss Rusz for always thinking of ways to encourage the children to be fit and stay healthy.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Elicia (St Anthony) and Harley (St Peter) who celebrated this week.



Operation Christmas Child.



At this time of year, our reception area is usually starting to fill up with brightly wrapped shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child or Mission Romania. While Mission Romania are not accepting boxes this year, Samaritan's Purse have collection points around the country during the week 5th - 14th December or you can pack a shoebox

online. More details can be found [here](#).

Prayers



Please keep all our community in your prayers. Have a lovely weekend,

God Bless, *Mrs Delgado*