



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,

December dates for your diary

Monday 15th December

Non uniform day for winning house team

Christmas Gift Sale

Tuesday 16th December

KS2 Carol Concert 2pm at St George's Church

Wednesday 17th December

Rocksteady Concert 9.30am

Christmas Dinner at school

Thursday 18th December

Christmas Games Day led by Year 6

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 19th December

Last day of Autumn term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER – FRIDAY 2ND JANUARY 2026

Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance – The Fleece Force!

Well done to Year 1 and 2 for the **FANTASTIC** performance of The Fleece Force. You were absolutely **baa-rillicant**—shear talent everywhere! The speaking, acting, dancing skills were superb, and the singing was outstanding. A **HUGE** thank you to Mrs Stannard, Mrs Geiser, Mrs Sapsford, Miss Coyne and Mrs Edwards for all your hard work in preparing and supporting all of the children. We are so proud of you all!

Reception class Nativity Performance – The Innkeeper's Breakfast!

Reception class amazed us with their Nativity performance on Thursday morning. They really showed how much they have blossomed in this first term! They were so confident when speaking, singing and acting – a real credit to their families and the reception class team. Another **HUGE** thank you to our fabulous staff; Mrs Anslow, Mrs Phipps and Mrs Halvey, for preparing and supporting the children so well.



St George's Got Talent

What a week of performances! This morning, we were treated to the wonderful array of talent from some of the children who entered 'St George's Got Talent'. There was singing, dancing, magic acts, gymnastic performance, the works! You really entertained us and we thank you for all your practise to ensure those perfect performances.

Elizabeth (St Francis Class)

Melissa, Hallie-May & Violet S (St Elizabeth Class)

Ava, Darcie, Elsie & Isabelle (St Bernadette)

Addilyn, Maddison, Jazmin, Diane, Sebby, George, Teddy and Olivia (St Anthony Class)

Elise, Pati & Eliana (St Peter class)

Monday 15th December - Christmas Gift Sale

The PTA have organised the annual Christmas Gift Sale for Monday 15th December. Children can buy up to 2 gifts, £2 per gift. You can pay for the gifts with cash on the day or using PayPal. If you are paying with PayPal, could you use your child's name and GIFT SALE as the reference.

Tuesday 16th December



Our Christmas Carol Service for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will take place at the church on Tuesday 16th December at 2pm.

There is no seat allocation, nor set numbers per family. We will walk the children down to the church soon after lunchtime and at the end of the concert, the children can leave with their families. Younger siblings can be collected from school after. If you are unable to attend, let the office know and we will walk your child back to school to be collected at normal time. Children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will not need a school bag that day. If possible, could they bring their lunch in a disposal bag, or use a back up lunchbox, as we will not be bringing any items to church with us. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Wednesday 17th December 2025

Christmas Lunch

On WEDNESDAY 17th December we are having our **School Christmas Lunch** – Roast Turkey or Winter Vegetable Wellington, yorkshire pudding, stuffing, roast potatoes, pigs in blankets, vegetables, gravy – the works! As we have opted for the premium menu, there is an additional cost per meal. However, this cost will be covered by PTA funds.

You can order by clicking this link <https://forms.office.com/e/q49cHcnG7g>

If your child is not having Christmas Dinner, they can bring in their own special packed lunch. It can be party food, a couple of sweet treats, or a turkey and cranberry sandwich! As in line with our school policy, we do ask that no items contain nuts and ask for no fizzy drinks.

Thursday 18th December

Christmas Games & Christmas Jumper/Outfit day

Year 6 will be hosting a Christmas games day for all the children at St. George's, on Thursday 18th December. Each class will have a 'games slot' during the day and will also be served juice and biscuits. The cost of the event is £2 per child and will help raise money for the purchasing of the Year 6 leavers' hoodies in the summer term. St. Peter's class are very excited to share the games they have selected and games they have made themselves! Parents can pay on School Gateway. Thank you for your support.

The children are also invited to come dressed in a Christmas jumper or other Christmassy outfit for the day. If your child is coming to school in a Christmassy outfit, they do not have to wear uniform.

Friday 19th December

Last day of Term

We will be finishing the school term with Mass on Friday 19th December. It starts at 2pm so we anticipate that it will finish approximately by 2.45pm. The children will be ready to be collected from this time. Mr O'Shea will open the gates at 2.40pm.

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone celebrating a birthday this week.

Liza (St Therese), Amirah & Isla (St Elizabeth) Raymond (St Joseph) and
Chloe (St Peter)



Bronze reading Awards

Congratulations to all the children who gained their BRONZE reading certificate this week:
Eryn (St Francis), Theodore, Stanley & Demi (St Elizabeth), Harry (St Joseph) Sonny (St Peter)

Musical Maestros!

The Essex Marching Corps performed its Christmas Concert to a sold out house at Holy Trinity Church on Saturday and two of our pupils (one past, one present!) took part. It was an excellent display of musicianship and Archie, who is now in Year 8, took 1st place in the woodwind solo. Teddy from St Anthony's place was awarded 4th place in the Brass solo AND received the Chairman's Special Recognition certificate. Well done, we are very proud of you both.





Head Teacher Awards

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

St Francis Class ~ for an amazing Nativity and for being incredibly brave and confident in their performance. We are incredibly proud of them all!

St Therese & St Elizabeth class ~ for their fantastic 'Fleece Force' nativity play. You wowed us with your singing, dancing, speaking, everything! Well done to you all!

Florence ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for fantastic effort in maths this week. She has really grown in confidence and has a great knowledge of times tables. Well done Florence!

Lily ~ (St Joseph) ~ for working with outstanding enthusiasm and perseverance. She has shown an amazing 'can do' attitude in lessons and her learning behaviour is excellent. Well done, Lily!

Jazmin ~ (St Anthony) ~ for always trying her hardest, asking questions and being a wonderful member of the class. Keep it up Jazmin!

Mia-Rae ~ (St Peter) ~ for her beautiful manners, her kindness towards others and for being a wonderful role model of positive behaviour.



Times Table Rock Stars

Congratulations to our TOP TEN rockstars this week.

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Baffuor - Year 2	Elsie - Year 4	Emilia - Year 4	Nana - Year 6	Abigail - Year 5
6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Reuben - Year 2	Aviya - Year 5	Freddie - Year 2	Sophie - Year 5	Conor - Year 2

Punctuality Percentages

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99%	93%	100%	98%	98%	95%	98%

Prayers

This weekend, the Church celebrates the third week of Advent. The third Sunday of Advent is a time to focus to be joyful.

Dear God,

Thank You for this special Advent Sunday.

Today we light the pink candle, the candle of Joy.

Please fill our hearts with Your joy— a joy that is bright, warm, and overflowing.

Help us to share smiles, kindness, and love with everyone we meet.

Remind us that true joy comes from You.

Thank You for the gifts of laughter, friendship, and the happy moments we get to share.

Help us bring joy to others, just like Jesus brings joy to the world.

Amen.

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

Further activities/dates will be added as soon as they have been finalised and will be in **BOLD**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
Monday 15 th December	Non uniform day for winning house team
	Christmas Gift Sale
Tuesday 16 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm at St George's Church
Wednesday 17 th December	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am

	Christmas Dinner at school
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Games Day led by Year 6
	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Autumn term
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER – FRIDAY 2ND JANUARY 2026	
Monday 5 th January	First Day of Spring Term 2026
Wednesday 7 th January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 5/6
Thursday 8 th January	Sportshall Athletics Event Year 3/4
Friday 16 th January	Southend Schools Football tournament (year 3/4 boys) @ Len Forge
Tuesday 20 th January	ACT Dance Festival @ Palace Theatre
Friday 23 rd January	Year 3 & 4 Swimming starts
Thursday 5 th February	Year 5 Class Assembly
Monday 9 th February	Netball League matches after school @ Shoeburyness High School
	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm-5pm
	Parent-Carer Consultation week
Thursday 12 th February	ACT Music Festival @ STM
Friday 13 th February	Southend Schools Football tournament (key stage 1) @ Len Forge
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 16TH – FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2026	
Wednesday 25 th February	Netball tournament @ Cecil Jones
	Year 3 Roman Dress Up Day
Friday 27 th February	Year 3 & 4 Girls Football @ Len Forge
Tuesday 3 rd March	'Hot Cross Run' @ St Thomas More
Wednesday 4 th March	Key Stage 1 Tag Rugby tournament @ Southend Rugby Club
Wednesday 11 th March	Year 3/4 Tag Rugby tournament @ Southend Rugby Club
Friday 13 th March	KS1 Girls Football @ Len Forge
Monday 16 th March	Netball League matches after school @ Cecil Jones
Tuesday 17 th – 20 th March	Year 6 Residential trip
Thursday 19 th March	Feast of St Joseph
Monday 23 rd March	Non uniform day for wining house team
Wednesday 25 th March	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am
	Year 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross @ St George's Church 2pm
Friday 27 th March	Last day of Spring Term
EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 30TH MARCH – FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2026	
Friday 3 rd April ~ Good Friday Sunday 5 th April ~ Easter Sunday	
Monday 13 th April	First Day of Summer Term 2026
	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 14 th April	Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 16 th April	Feast of St Bernadette
Thursday 23 rd April	St George's Day
Monday 4 th May	Bank holiday
w/b 11 th May	Year 6 SATS WEEK
Tuesday 19 th May	Crowning of Mary school celebration – details to follow
Wednesday 20 th May	Science Fayre 2pm
Thursday 21 st May	KS1 Cross Country – Pentecost Dash! @ St Teresa's, Rochford
Friday 22 nd May	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 25TH MAY – FRIDAY 29TH MAY 2026	
Monday 1 st June	Back to school
w/b 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 9 th June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (afternoon session)
Wednesday 10 th June	School Class Photographs
Saturday 13 th June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Tuesday 16 th June	Induction afternoon for Reception 2026
Friday 19 th June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 22 nd June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Wednesday 24 th June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 26 th June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 1.45pm
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Thursday 2 nd July	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
Friday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day TBC
Friday 10 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.05am
Monday 13 th July	Non uniform day for winning house team
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 2pm @ St George's Church
Wednesday 15 th July	Rocksteady Concert 9.30am
Friday 17 th July	Last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 20TH JULY 2026	