



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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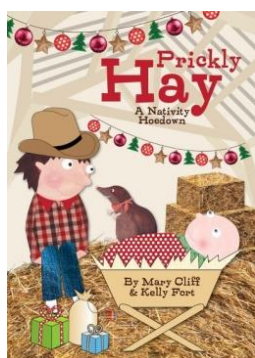
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To our wonderful community,

The Christmas Story



This week, years 1 and 2 were involved in retelling the story of the Nativity. St Therese and St Elizabeth class performed 'Prickly Hay' to all their family members, raising the roof with their singing, amazing us with their acting and delighting us with their dancing. They were word perfect and demonstrated unbelievable confidence and joy whilst performing.

Thank you to the amazing staff for preparing the children so well for these performances and all of the children for being superstars.

Next Wednesday morning, the reception class children will be playing their part in celebrating the birth of Jesus, performing their nativity and then on Friday afternoon, 2pm, at St George's, years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will perform a selection of Christmas songs and readings at St George's Church.



Choir Performance

Tonight our choir will be performing at Brentwood Cathedral as part of the Primary School Choirs concert. I have no doubt they will be magnificent and we are all very proud of you. A special thank you to Mrs McLoughlin for all her hard work preparing the children and to the performers themselves:

Elsiada, Ruva, Amelie, Max, Elijah, Katarina, Heidi, Lily, George, Harry S., Harry H., Blossom & Padme (St Joseph)

Freya, Mia & George (St Anthony)

Kundai, Natalia, Florence I., Eva, Alicia, Florence R-F. & Polly (St Peter)



Dates for December

Mon 12 th	Year 4 trip
Tue 13 th	Non-uniform house star day for yellow house Art workshop in school for Year 4
Wed 14 th	Reception class Nativity 9.15am School Disco after school
Thu 15 th	Christmas Gift Sale £1.50 per item
Fri 16 th	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Carols at St George's Church 2pm
Mon 19 th	Christmas Lunch and Jumper day (see details below)
Tue 20 th	Last day of term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER – WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2023

Thu 5th Jan 2020 First day back

Christmas Lunch & Jumpers!



On **MONDAY 19th December** we are having our School Christmas Lunch when all the children bring in with 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, do ask that no items contain nuts and ask for no fizzy drinks. There will be NO relish lunches that day. The children can also come dressed in a Christmas jumper or other Christmassy outfit. If your child is coming to school in a Christmassy outfit, they do not have to wear uniform. Any donations for taking part we will send off to the 'Save the Children' charity.

Christmas Gift Sale

Just a reminder that 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. Each child can buy up to 2 gifts.

House Stars Success

Congratulations to St John Fisher, yellow house, for winning this term's house star competition. All children who are in yellow house are invited to wear their own clothes on Tuesday 13th December with a splash of **yellow** to celebrate their team.

Birthdays

Congratulations to **Chloe** (St Bernadette) and **Mrs Howell** who are celebrating their birthdays this week.



Head Teacher Awards

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

*Izzy ~ (St Francis) ~ for great progress in reading. You are working very hard on phonics too.
St Therese Class and St Elizabeth Class ~ for their fantastic performances in their nativity this week. Well done all of you!*

*Teddy ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for working with enthusiasm in all lessons, particularly in maths.
Also for being a fantastically supportive learning partner and friend.*

Henry ~ (St Joseph) ~ for excellent responses in our guided reading sessions and for being a kind friend when a class member didn't feel well.

Olivia ~ (St Anthony) ~ for being a wonderful example of how to behave in school and for demonstrating all the qualities of a fantastic learner. She is kind, respectful and conscientious in all that she does. Well done, Olivia, you are a star!

Joshua ~ (St Peter) ~ for his brilliant contributions during our most recent science lesson. He gave lots of ideas and spoke with maturity. Well done!



Bronze reading Awards

Congratulations to the children who have been awarded bronze certificates for 50 reads:

Kcian & Nyla (St Francis), Willow & Tabitha (St Therese), Dalton,
Michelle & Sebastian (St Elizabeth), Ronnie W. & Darcey (St Bernadette),
Evie & Beatrice (St Joseph)

Julia, Otilie, Oscar, Jacob, Ben & Oliver (St Anthony) and Joshua & Joseph (St Peter)

Sports Round up

This week was a busy week for our year 5 & 6 Netball and Football teams.

On Tuesday, the football team played their first league game against Greenways. Although they didn't come away with the win, they continued to play well as a team and improve as the game went on. Well done to:

Theodore, Joshua, Aubrey, Daniel, Alex, Corey, Jack, David and Oscar

The boys voted Alex as their man of the match.

Our Netball team started their pre-Christmas fixtures with their first league match against Alleyn Court last Friday. We hoped for a win but it wasn't to be! The team then played in the Santa Netball Rally, a local fun tournament for schools in the area. The matches were close and the girls chalked up a win – well done team! The girls then played their final match before Christmas, against Greenways. Once again, they came out firing on all cylinders and gave 100%. Although they didn't win, they showed great spirit and myself and Mrs Irons are extremely proud of all of you

Natalia, Eva, Leah, Kundai, Florence R-F., Florence I., Mia W., Klaudia, Julia & Mia P.

The girls voted Ava as their player of the term.



Please remember all in our community who need your prayers at this time.
Have a lovely weekend with your family. God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

Dates to add to the diary are:

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
Monday 12 th December	Year 4 class trip
Tuesday 13 th December	Non-uniform day for yellow house team
	Art workshop for Year 4

Wednesday 14 th December	Reception Nativity Play 9.15am
	School Christmas Disco
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Gift Sale £1.50 per gift (max. of 2 gifts per child)
Friday 16 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm at St George's Church
Monday 19 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper/Outfit day
Tuesday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn term
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER – WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2023	
Thursday 5 th January	First Day of Spring Term 2023
Tuesday 17 th January	E-Safety session for parents 3.30pm or 7.00pm
Wednesday 18 th January	Chinese New Year theme day for Reception class – class to wear red
w/b 6 th February	Children's Mental Health Week
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2023	
Thursday 16 th March	Reception Class Assembly 9am
	Reception height and weight check
Monday 20 th March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent Consultations week
Mon 20 th & Tue 21 st March	Year 6 Bikeability
w/b 27 th March	Year 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross 9am Parents welcome
	Book Fair in school 3.15pm
Wednesday 29 th March	Key Stage 2 Assisi Cross Country
Friday 31 st March	Last day of Spring Term
EASTER HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 3RD APRIL – FRIDAY 14TH APRIL 2023	
Monday 17 th April	First Day of Summer Term 2023
	Year 4 Bikeability
Wednesday 19 th April	Reception Fairy-tale theme day – children to dress up
Wednesday 26 th April	Netball and Football tournament at Our Lady of Ransom
Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday
w/b 8 th May	KS2 SATs week
w/b 15 th May	KS1 Assessment week
Thu 18 th May	Year 1 Class Assembly @ 9am
Wednesday 24 th May	Key Stage 1 Assisi Cross Country
	Year 5 Class Assembly @ 9am
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 29TH MAY – FRIDAY 2ND JUNE 2023	
Monday 5 th June	Children return to school
w/b 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 13 th June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons
Wednesday 21 st June	Reception 2023 Induction Afternoon
Thursday 22 nd June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome

Friday 23 rd June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 26 th June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Tuesday 27 th June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Friday 30 th June	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
w/b 3 rd July	Year 6 Residential Trip
Thursday 6 th July	KS1 Assisi Sports
Friday 14 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school @ 2.30pm
Friday 21 st July	Last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 24TH JULY 2023	