



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,

Another half term has whizzed by!

I cannot believe that we have already reached February half term! Three half terms to go before the end of the year. But as they say, time flies when you are having fun! It has been an extremely busy half term with our visit from Ofsted in the first full week back. We are very proud of the result and are still beaming at the report! We have participated in local events, been on class trips and the children have enjoyed a variety of activities that engage them in their learning. We also welcomed Mrs Wall back to the school and two new families joined us. I am already looking forward to the next half term and all the excitement it will bring. Have a wonderful week's break.

February 2023 ~ Dates for your diary

HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2023

Half Term Camp at St George's – See flyer at the end of this newsletter

Tuesday 21st Shrove Tuesday ~ Pancake Day with the PTA in school

Wednesday 22nd Ash Wednesday ~ Beginning of Lent

Fr Brett will be in school for our Ash Wednesday service

Friends of St George's Meeting ~ Spring Term

Thank you to the parents that attended the meeting on Monday morning. The committee asked for an online link for anyone who is unable to physically attend. We will organise this and send it out to all parents and carers before the next meeting. We are looking forward to the many events that the Friends of St George's have planned for our children, families and community for the remainder of the year. You will be able to read the minutes by clicking [HERE](#)



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There are three exciting things that we wanted to draw your attention to.....



The Friends of St George's have agreed to purchase a Coronation Commemoration Badge for every child at the school. As we can pre-order and they should have stock, we are asking if any of our families would like to order additional badges for themselves or other members of their families. The price is £1.50 per item. If you would like to order, please click [HERE](#). You will then to pay via the Friends of St George's Paypal site.

pta@st-georges.southend.sch.uk We ask that you reference your payment with the word BADGE followed by your initials. The deadline for ordering is **TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2023**.

The Great St George's Quiz Night will be making a welcome return on **SATURDAY 22ND APRIL**. It will be held in the school hall, 7pm for a 7.30pm start, with entry through the community suite door. Each team can have up to 8 people and the cost is £5 per person. You can bring your own drinks (alcoholic or soft drinks) and snacks. If you would like to book a table, please contact a member of the committee or email them at pta@st-georges.southend.sch.uk

The committee said that there are many parents who would like a whole school photo, especially as our last one was in 2016. For it to be financially viable for the company to take the photo, there needs to be at least 28 advance orders. Each photo will cost £20 (this will be refunded if we do not get enough orders). If you are interested in buying a photo, we ask for you to click [HERE](#). Again, you will then to pay via the Friends of St George's Paypal site. pta@st-georges.southend.sch.uk We ask that you reference your payment with the word PHOTO followed by your initials. The deadline for ordering is **TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2023**.

The PTA's next meeting will be on Monday 20th March @ 2.30pm at the school

Reading Awards

Well done to the following children who received their Bronze award for 50 reads:

Raven (St Francis), Iris-Ivy & Eliana (St Bernadette), Robyn (St Joseph),
Dominic (St Anthony)

and congratulations to the children receiving their Silver award:

Aviya & Scarlett (St Elizabeth), George (St Joseph), Kieran, Jack & Freya W. (St Anthony)

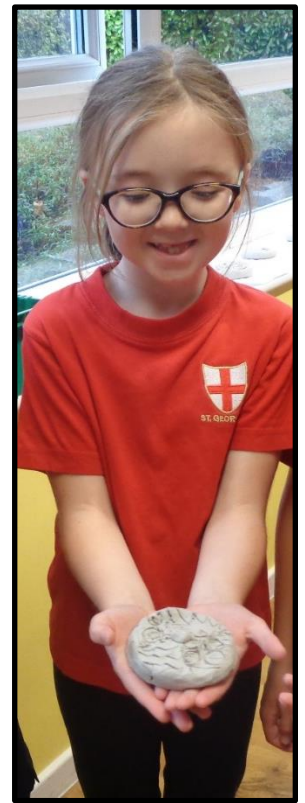
And our first GOLD award recipients (150 reads) for this academic year

Lily (St Therese), Lex (St Elizabeth), Aaron (St Bernadette), Matthias & Archie (St Anthony),
Daniel & Joseph (St Peter)

Birthdays

Congratulations to Teddie (St Therese), Teddy (St Elizabeth) and Alex (St Peter) who are celebrating this week. Also HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those celebrating during half term.

Rosie P. (St Therese), River-Jane (St Elizabeth), Jake, Imogen & Maisie (St Joseph)
and Joseph (St Peter)



Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to all the children who have been recognised for their achievements this week.

Joshua ~ (St Francis) ~ for effort and focus in phonics sessions. Well done Joshua!

Sophie ~ (St Therese) ~ Sophie has been a superstar this half term, giving 100% in everything. We can't wait to get you back after half term!

Ryan ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for designing and making a fantastic healthy fruit kebab and for making lots of contributions during lessons this week, which has been great to see!

Folami ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for great focus across all subjects and always contributing to discussions in R.E with insightful understanding .

Amelie ~ (St Joseph) ~ for her greatly improved dancing skills and her wonderful RE and topic work.

Ben ~ (St Anthony) ~ for being a conscientious and motivated learner; a very kind friend too. He is an excellent role model for us all. Well done Ben!

Conor ~ (St Peter) ~ for being a Year 6 super star! Conor has made excellent contributions during our English and guided reading lessons, as well as showing a fabulous enthusiasm for our Bhangra dancing in P.E – well done!



Sports Awards

Congratulations to our troupe of winners this week from St Peter's Class ~ Aubrey, Daniel, Corey, Reuben, Joshua and Alex. They were chosen as they worked brilliantly as a team when choreographing a Bhangra dance routine, thinking carefully about the formation and direction of their dance steps. We look forward to a demonstration! Well done to you all.

Parent Governor Vacancy March 2023

From March, there will be a vacancy for a parent governor on our Local Governing Committee. The LGC is asking for anyone who has parental responsibility for a child at the school, and an interest in being a governor, to put themselves forward. You will need to be nominated by two other parents/carers of the school, of whom cannot be related to you, and complete an eligibility self-declaration form. If we receive more than one nomination, a ballot will be held.

Timetable for Election

10th February 2023	Invite nominations (newsletter)
24th February 2023	Close of nominations
3rd March 2023	Ballot papers out to parents (including brief CV of candidates)
10th March 2023	Close of voting
13th March 2023	Vote count
17th March 2023	Election result announced (newsletter)
7th July 2023	Local Governing Committee Meeting

If you are interested and would like further details, [CLICK HERE](#) to read a letter from Nina Nathan, our chair of governors, and the nomination form and eligibility form. There are hard copies available in the school office and you can also access them on the school's website (**About Us** tab – **Local Governing Committee**)

Science Week 2023

We will be celebrating science week from Monday 13th March. The theme this year is 'connections' and we will be focusing on the 'connection' between human activity and climate change. There will also be a science fair where parents and carers will be invited into school on Friday 24th March @ 2.30pm to see all the science work that the children have done during science week (and science in the school year so far!). All classes will remain in their classrooms and visitors can walk around to each classroom to see their work and ask questions. We look forward to seeing you there.

Punctuality

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



Prayers Please remember all in our community who need your prayers

at this time. God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2023	
Half Term Camp at St George's	
Tuesday 21 st February	Shrove Tuesday ~ Pancake Day with the PTA in school
Wednesday 22 nd February	Ash Wednesday ~ Beginning of Lent ~ Fr Brett will be in school for our Ash Wednesday service
Friday 24 th February	Close of nominations for parent governor
Friday 3 rd March	Ballot papers sent out for parent governor
Friday 10 th March	Voting for parent governor closes @ 12 noon
Monday 13 th March	Science Week
	Vote Count for parent governor
Thursday 16 th March	Reception Class Assembly 9am
	Reception height and weight check
Friday 17 th March	Election result for parent governor announced
Monday 20 th March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent Consultations week
	Friends of St George's PTA meeting 2.30pm
Mon 20 th & Tue 21 st March	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 24 th March	Science Fair ~ Parents and Carers welcome to attend
w/b 27 th March	Year 3 & 4 Stations of the Cross 9am Parents and Carers 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
Saturday 22 nd April	Great St George's Quiz Night at the school 7pm for a 7.30pm start
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	



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