

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,

A busy week...

This week Ofsted visited to inspect the education provision for our children. Whilst it was a very demanding couple of days for all the staff, it was a positive experience as it affirmed that children are at the very heart of everything we do. They could not praise the children's behaviour and attitude highly enough, and they were so impressed by the respectful way they treat one another and all adults in the school. On speaking to various staff they recognised how skilled each class team is, commenting on how they know the children as individuals and how each staff member has the highest aspiration for every child. The governors also met with the team and were able to articulate how they have supported the school and played their part in the continuous improvement since our last inspection. They also highlighted that you, the parents and carers, were a strength of the school. The overwhelmingly positive response from the surveys and your feedback at the gate on Thursday morning demonstrated how much you love our school. The report should be with us by February half term (or just after) and we look forward to sharing it with our whole community.

I am privileged to be the Head Teacher of such an amazing school. The continued support of a great set of governors, parents and carers is invaluable and I thank you. I am fortunate to work alongside the most fantastic staff anyone could ever wish for and I thank them for their time and commitment to our whole community.

Finally, I am so blessed to spend every day with children who amaze and inspire me to ensure that St George's has everything they need to be the very best they can be.

To all of my superstars, I am so very proud of each one of you.

Much love,
Annabelle Delgado



Dates for your diary

January 2023

Tue 17 th	Are your children safe? A parent & carers session on E –Safety 17th January 2023 3.30pm & 7pm
Wed 18 th	Chinese New Year theme day for Reception class – class to wear red
Fri 20 th	Swimming starts for years 2, 3, 4 & 5
Tue 24 th	Volunteers session 9am in Community Suite (details below)
Wed 25 th	Volunteers session 2.30pm in Community Suite
Thu 26 th	Volunteers session 3.20pm in Community Suite Year 5 trip
Fri 27 th	Pre-loved uniform sale 3pm in Community Suite

Volunteer Sessions

Prior to restrictions, the school used to benefit greatly from a group of parents who were able to come in as volunteers to help with reading, arts, crafts, accompanying school trips, IT, P.E. and other events and activities during the school year.

We have been keen to start this up again, especially as it gives parents and carers the opportunity to feel more part of the life at the school.

I will be running a volunteer session for any parents/carers who would like to offer their time over the next year. It will last around 30 minutes and will cover the key areas of:

- Types of things a volunteer might do
- Safeguarding guidelines and Keeping Children Safe in Education September 2023
- Confidentiality

You will be asked to write down which areas you feel you would like to offer support in and which days are convenient for you. We can then add you to our volunteer register. If you are planning to attend, please complete this [FORM](#) so we have an idea of numbers.

I thank you in advance for your support.

Are your children safe? A parent & carers session on E – Safety 17th January 2023

On Tuesday 17th January, the children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will have a session with e-safety experts to further educate them on keeping safe. In addition to this, we have organised a session for parents; one will be at 3.30pm and one at 7pm. Each session lasts around 1 ½ hours. We hope that every family is represented. As all the staff will be attending the session, we are unable to supervise any children after school, which is why we have advertised the sessions as early as possible.

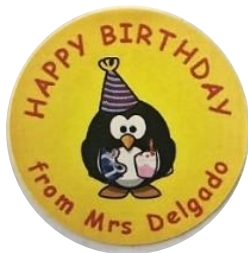
Please [CLICK HERE](#) to inform us which session you will attend. We have been informed that other local primary schools have run these sessions for parents and turnout has been very high.

Let's aim for 100% at St George's!

Pre~loved uniform sale

Mrs Fitzpatrick will be holding a pre~loved uniform sale on the 27th January 2023. It will be held in the community suite from 3pm

Birthdays



Congratulations to Megan & Michelle (St Elizabeth), Albie & Damian (St Bernadette), Evie and Brooklyn (St Joseph) who are celebrating this week.

Reading Awards

This week there was a bumper number of reading awards! Well done to the following children who received their Bronze award for 50 reads:

Jesse & Adefolarin (St Francis), Harry, Sophie, Isabella & Victoria (St Therese),

Charlotte & Freddie (St Bernadette), Lyla (St Joseph), Alicia (St Peter)

and congratulations to the children receiving their Silver award:

Darcie, Elsie, Isabelle, Rory, Joseph and Joshua (St Francis),

Ebony, Scarlett, Jason, Milita, Eva, Jacob, Emilia and Finley (St Therese),

Sophia, Sophie, Lex, Toby, Pippa, Ezinne, Teddy, Abigail (St Elizabeth),

Nathan, Aaron, Shia, Jude & Sinela (St Bernadette), Amelie, Albert, Elijah, Jake, Harry S.,

Maisie, Vince, Kamila, Heidi, Harry H., Blossom & Padmé (St Joseph), Archie, Julia, Hannah &

Matthias (St Anthony), Daniel, Satya, Florence I. & Natalia (St Peter)

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>
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
Tuesday 24 th January	Volunteers session 9am in Community Suite
Wednesday 25 th January	Volunteers session 2.30pm in Community Suite
Thursday 26 th January	Volunteers session 3.20pm in Community Suite
Friday 20 th January	Swimming begins for years 2, 3, 4 & 5
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	