



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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Dear Parents,

December

Mon 17 th	NON UNIFORM DAY for winning House Team
Tue 18 th	CHRISTMAS LUNCH & CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY Years 3 – 6 Christmas Concert @ St George's Church 7pm
Wed 19 th	Last Day of Term WHOLE SCHOOL MASS in the school hall at 2pm

Goodbye and Good Luck

At the end of this term we will be saying a sad farewell to Mrs Noblet. She has worked at the school for 11 years as a class teacher and then as our SENCO and pastoral leader. We will miss her greatly but wish her every success in her new job.

Mrs Wallen will be taking up her role and is looking forward to working with the parents and children.

The Christmas Story



This week, our infant children were involved in retelling the story of the Nativity. St Francis class welcomed parents, relatives and friends to their performance of 'A little bird told me..' and St Therese and St Elizabeth class performed 'The Inn-spectors' to all their family members, raising the roof with their singing. All of the infant children 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 Tuesday evening, the junior children will be playing their part in celebrating the birth of Jesus, performing a selection of Christmas songs and readings at St George's Church. We hope to see you all there!

Choir Performance

Its been a busy time for our school choir over the last couple of weeks! During December they had three local bookings, performing at Great Mead, Crouchmans and Kathryn Court Sheltered Housing. Then they performed 'Bethlehem ~ The Musical' at Brentwood Cathedral as part of the Primary School Choirs concert. They all performed magnificently and a special mention for Maxwell from St Joseph's class, who performed a solo in front of a 350 strong crowd! We are all very proud of you and thank you all for spreading the Christmas cheer!

Hannah, Scarlett, Edie, Charles C, Ocean, Isla, William, Isis, Jasmine, Grace H, Maxwell, Daisy, Brianna, Florence O, Jessica, Regan, Richard, Joseph Mc, Declan, Charlotte, Adele & Chantelle.

Birthdays

Congratulations to Harry L. (St Bernadette) Lyric & Michal (St Anthony) Adele (St Anthony) and Mrs Howell who celebrated their birthdays this week.



Thank you!

Last year our children were very lucky to work with the sculpture artist Kieran Reed, who ran workshops with each of the classes. As part of this project Kieran has very kindly donated a huge sculptural pack called 'Gather', for the children to create their very own sculptures. The children can't wait to get started on creating their very own 3D masterpieces!

Parish Christmas Card

Father Brett and Mr McEvoy had great difficulty in deciding on a winner for the Parish Christmas card design. Many congratulations goes to Lyric (St Anthony) for her beautiful stable scene depicting the birth of Jesus. Well done to all of the other children who took part.

Dan, Ewan & Gabriel (St Peter), Lexi-Rose (St Anthony), Keavy & William (St Joseph),
Julia & Edie (St Bernadette), Natalia & Samuel S (St Elizabeth)
and Ottilie & Lanai (St Therese)

Santa Netball Rally

Last Friday our netball team represented the school at the annual 'Santa Rally'. The girls were magnificent, playing as a team, supporting each other and never giving up. Well done girls, we are very proud of you.

Maddie, Orla, Florence, Grace, Lexi-Rose, Lucy, Eliana & Lily

Sports Awards

Performer of the Week ~ Lexi-Rose (St Anthony)

Most improved ~ Lucy (St Anthony)

A request from Mrs Lawrence

Year 3's class book in the Spring Term is 'Gangsta Granny' by David Walliams. The children really enjoy following their own copy so if there is still a gap on Santa's list, this could be the perfect addition!

Evening Echo

This week, Reception class and KS1 had their photos taken for the Evening Echo. They will appear in a special Nativity supplement on Tuesday 18th.

Relish Infant Lunches

Don't forget ~ orders for week commencing Monday 7th January MUST be placed before 12 noon Thursday 3rd January. It's a good idea to order half termly or for the whole term as you can go in at any point and change your order. We always use the most recent one.

End of Term Mass

There are still a few tickets left for our end of term Mass. The tickets will be on a first come basis and can be collected from the office. Please keep your ticket safe as any parents, carers, siblings, family members without a ticket will, unfortunately, not be able to join us on this occasion. Children can be taken home after Mass, around 2.45pm, and even if you do not attend, you can collect your children at this time. We will inform you by text when Mass has finished. If there are any spares, we will send out a text on Tuesday and families can have a second ticket.

House Team Success

Congratulations to St John Fisher house for winning this term's houseball competition.

St Anne Line (Red) 187

St Margaret Clitherow (Blue) 195

St Thomas More (Green) 199

St John Fisher (Yellow) 200

All children who are in St John Fisher house are invited to wear their own clothes on Monday 17th with a splash of yellow to celebrate their team.

Head Teacher Awards

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

Padme (St Francis) ~ for a great first term at St George's and a wonderful performance in the Nativity.

Matthias (St Therese) ~ for having a fabulous week. Not only has he tried so hard in all of his work to persevere and be independent, he also stepped in at the last minute in our Nativity play. Great job Matthias!

St Elizabeth class ~ for their amazing acting, singing and dancing talents. You are all superstars!

Summer (St Bernadette) ~ for always working with enthusiasm and a smile, and also for being such a caring friend.

Maxwell (St Joseph) ~ for your amazing solo performance at the Deanery Carol Service.

Congratulations! You have been a wonderful representative of St Joseph's class and our school.

Declan (St Anthony) ~ for his confident and enthusiastic singing when performing his own song that retold the Christmas story.

Oliver S. (St Peter) ~ for having an outstanding attitude to learning and being motivated to succeed in all subjects. Well done!

Bronze reading Awards

Congratulations to the children who have earned their bronze reading certificates this week:

Max (St Francis), Jacob, Isabelle & Dominic (St Therese)

Jacob R. (St Elizabeth), Thomas & Ernie (St Bernadette)

Loui, Leandro, Finley & Stanley (St Joseph) & Alice (St Peter)

Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 6 who had 100% attendance this week.

Running Miles

This week's results are:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Miles this week</i>	<i>Total so far</i>	<i>Travelled to....</i>
<i>Reception</i>	<i>61.5</i>	<i>254.4</i>	<i>Boston</i>
<i>Year 1</i>	<i>80.6</i>	<i>914.4</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>Year 2</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>895.8</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>107.3</i>	<i>773.4</i>	<i>Carlisle</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>82.9</i>	<i>907.4</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>Year 5</i>	<i>87.1</i>	<i>1026.5</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>89.9</i>	<i>1041.1</i>	<i>Dublin</i>

Christmas Lunch & Jumpers!



On Tuesday 18th December, we are having our School Christmas Lunch when all the children can come in with their own special packed lunch that day.

We will also be supporting Christmas Jumper Day on that day. If your child is coming to school in their best knitwear, or a Christmas outfit, they do not have to wear uniform trousers or skirts.

We are asking for a donation for taking part and hope to raise a good amount to send off to the charity.

Friends of St George's

The PTA 100 club, which gives anyone, friends or family, over the age of 16 a chance to win in our quarterly draws: March, June, September and December, will continue to run during 2019. Anyone can join - friends, family and work colleagues, so please ask if you need more forms. If we sell 100 numbers, the prize break-down is as follows:

1st Number drawn £50

2nd Number drawn £30

3rd Number drawn £20

With a superdraw in December (just in time for Christmas!)

The form is at the end of this newsletter and we will be asking for payment by the end of January. All forms and money to the office please.

RAINBOWS

If your child is struggling through a painful experience, and you would like any further information on how we could support them, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Delgado or your child's class teacher.



Prayers



Please remember all in our community who need your prayers at this time.

Have a lovely weekend,

God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Friends of St George's 100 Club

Please complete the information below in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS:

Members Name:

Contact Phone Number:

Please allocate me with (insert how many numbers you want) @ £10 per year, per number.

I would like to select number/s

- I understand I will not get my first choice if it has been allocated previously.
- I will be offered further choices of available numbers.
- I understand that I will receive a cheque if I am a winner
- I am over 16 years of age.

Total payment = £ (Cheques should be made payable to Friends of St Georges School)

Signature:

