



# 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,

## At the end of a short..but long half term..!

Even though this half term has only been five and a half weeks long, dropping off on dark mornings, cold weather and overcast school pick up times have made it feel a bit longer for quite a few of us! Goodbye and good luck to **Jamie** (St Bernadette) and **Emily** (St Francis) who left the school this week. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Antonie for all her hard work as a very active member of the Friends of St George's. We wish the whole family every success and happiness.

On behalf of all the staff at St George's, I wish you all an enjoyable half term holiday. And we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

### MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 ~ HALF TERM

Tue 25<sup>th</sup>

Pancake Day

Wed 26<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday Mass 9.30am @ St George's Church (volunteers needed to walk with the children, unfortunately we can't allow buggies & younger pre-school siblings)

KS1 Cross Country

## Ash Wednesday



On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February, as many classes as possible will be attending Mass at **ST GEORGE'S CHURCH**. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the season leading up to the joyous celebration of Easter. The Mass begins at **9.30 am** so the children will be registered at school as usual, and then walk to the church just after 9.00am. If any parents are able to accompany the children on either the walk to church, or the return journey, please let the office know.



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## Birthdays

Congratulations to all those who celebrated their birthday this week.

Jake and Imogen (St Therese) and Alex and Joseph (St Bernadette)

And Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating during Half Term

Folami & Amaya (St Francis), Maisie (St Therese),  
Stanislaw (St Elizabeth) and Mrs Harris



## Attendance update

As February half term marks the midpoint of this academic year, we are sending you an attendance update for your child/children. Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling, with regular absence seriously affecting learning and attainment. At St George's, it is our aim for every child to be in every day so as to make optimum progress. We will be monitoring any children who are currently below 93% and continue to have irregular attendance. If you have any queries about your child's absence report, or need support in improving their attendance, please do not hesitate to contact me via the office.

The percentage totals at the halfway point for each class Year 1-6	
Reception	95.3
Year 1	98.0
Year 2	95.4
Year 3	97.5
Year 4	96.5
Year 5	95.9
Year 6	97.2

## Head Teacher's Award

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

**Meredith** (St Francis) ~ for enthusiasm in all areas of learning and always with a smile on her face.

**Harry H.** (St Therese) ~ for his endless enthusiasm, inquisitive nature and love of learning. He always wants to know and find out more. What a great attitude!

**Hannah** (St Elizabeth) ~ for always working with great effort and concentration

**Conor** (St Bernadette) ~ for his wonderful enthusiasm and participation in dance and singing this week. Conor has choreographed his own dance piece and has enjoyed singing our songs this week, in preparation for the Easter production. Well done Conor!

**Harry C.** (St Joseph) ~ for being a wonderful example of a great learner. You have shown perseverance in maths this week and great enthusiasm & engagement in our English lessons.  
You are a star! Keep shining brightly Harry.

**Sophia** (St Anthony) ~ for her excellent English work. Sophia's effort, attention to detail and brilliant description has really stood out this week.

**Nadia** (St Peter) ~ for a brilliant half term's work! Nadia has shown enthusiasm, focus and independence across the curriculum.

## Sports Awards

Well done to our winners this week

Most improved ~ **Dylan** (St Joseph) and Performer of the week ~ **William** (St Anthony)

## Reading Awards

Well done to the following children who gained their bronze award this week:

**Erin (St Francis), Reuben (St Bernadette), Charlie (St Joseph)  
& Casey (St Anthony)**

And the children who have reached 100 reads and earned their silver reading certificate

**Nathan (St Francis), Blossom, Padme & Jake (St Therese)**

**Joseph (St Bernadette), Zofia, Edward, Harley & Charlotte (St Anthony) and Regan (St Peter)**  
and our gold Awards for 150 reads

**George (St Elizabeth), Florence (St Bernadette),**

**William, Isis, Cillian, Charles & Logan (St Joseph), William (St Anthony),**

**James & Charlie (St Peter)**

## Running Miles

This week's results are:

Class	Miles this week	Total so far	Travelled to....
Reception	22	443.5	Norwich
Year 1	78.8	1071.5	Dublin
Year 2	79.1	974.1	Dublin
Year 3	66.8	865.2	Liverpool
Year 4	72.8	1034.5	Dublin
Year 5	52.3	1006	Dublin
Year 6	78.1	1095.4	Dublin

## Friends of St George's

A BIG thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's meeting. It was very exciting as I was able to share all the improvements planned for our school over the next few months. We also spoke about plans for our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The next meeting will be on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April. We hope to see many of you there!

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 2020. 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:

**1<sup>st</sup> Number drawn £50, 2<sup>nd</sup> Number drawn £30 3<sup>rd</sup> Number drawn £20**

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

If, however, we do not get the numbers we need, we will have to adjust the prize fund accordingly. We will keep you informed of this. The form is at the end of this newsletter and we will be asking for payment ASAP. All forms and money to the office please.

Prayers



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

Have a great half term,  
God Bless,

*Mrs Delgado*

**MATCH(S) RUNNING FROM 4-6**

**ANYONE WELCOME TO WATCH**

**CHARITY FOOTBALL  
MATCH AND  
AFTER PARTY FOR  
LILY'S ONE POUND WARRIORS**

**AFTER PARTY FROM 6**

**DJ**

**CHILDRENS ENTERTAINER**

**GLITTER TATTOOS**

**AND FACE PAINTING**

**AND LIVE**

**MUSIC**



**15TH OF FEB**

**PLAY FOOTBALL SOUTHEND-ON-SEA**