



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,

A big welcome to **Scarlett** who joined our school on Monday. We hope that you will be very happy at St. George's.

Are your children safe?

The internet has changed all of our lives, particularly our children's. For parents and carers this opens up a whole new world of things to be aware of. For many of us, this can all be a bit too much. You might be struggling to keep up with the things your child is doing online, you might wonder whether what they are doing is safe, and you might also be thinking *how can I be as good a parent online as I am offline?* After taking on feedback from parents on what they feel they need support in helping safeguard their children, we have organised **TWO PARENT/CARER SESSIONS** on **Thursday 4th May 2017** at **3.30pm** and **7pm**.

The presenter is an ambassador for Children Exploitation & Online Protection (CEOP). Technology, apps and the web has moved on a huge amount since September 2015, the last time we ran this session, so it is crucial that every family is represented. You may think that your child is too young, or that you have adequate filters in place etc., but we cannot stress enough the potential dangers for all of our children and how vital it is that you are aware of them. Each session lasts around 1 ½ hours, due to the amount needed to be covered. As all the staff will be attending the session, we are unable to supervise any children after school, which is why the session has been advertised at the earliest opportunity. There will be a slip at a later date for you to inform us which session you and/or a representative (aunt, uncle, nan etc) will be attending, to return to the office.

Let's aim for 100% at St George's, for our children's sake.

Due to safeguarding being of paramount importance, in addition to the e-safety sessions the children have as part of the ICT curriculum, the children will have a lesson with the same e-safety expert on the 4th May to further educate them on keeping safe. These sessions will be relevant and age appropriate.



March

Mon 6 th	Football Match v Thorpe Hall
Wed 8 th	Football Match v Hinguar Open Evening & Parent Consultations 5 - 7pm
Fri 10 th	Football Match v St Helen's
Sun 12 th	Family Mass 10.45am @ St George's Church

Open Evening and Parent Consultations

Next week is Spring Term's open evening and parent consultations will take place on. Below is a list identifying where each teacher will be. Your child's work will be accessible on the day and we ask that all children remain with their parents to show and celebrate their work. Your child's teacher will be based in:

Mrs Wallen ~ Mrs Delgado's Office Mrs Lawrence ~ ICT suite
Mrs Cracknell ~ Library Mrs Sayer ~ Community suite
Mrs Gillett ~ Front office (next to the hall)
Mrs Howell ~ Parent's room (opposite office) Miss Rusz ~ Staff room
Mr Sims ~ Front office (inside the entrance)

There will be a second hand uniform sale during the open evening on Wednesday 8th March between 5 - 7pm. There will be a suggested donation and an honesty box.

Year 6

The waiting is finally over for our Year 6 children as they found out this week which secondary school they will be attending next year. Well done to all of you, I know you will continue to shine at whichever school is lucky enough to have you.

Ash Wednesday

It was lovely to see family and friends come to church on Wednesday, to mark the beginning of Lent. Thank you to Mrs Lawrence for organising this special Mass, Mrs Rees for the music and Father Brett for celebrating.



Pancake Day



The day before, on Shrove Tuesday, the children enjoyed their annual 'mix, flip and eat' pancake day. Our helpers were magnificent and the children left with big smiles. All of the staff and children would like to say a HUGE thank you to our wonderful 'pancake helpers'

Family Mass

There will be a Family Mass at 10.45am on Sunday 12th March at St George's. Everybody is welcome to attend. Just to remind all of the children making their First Holy Communion this year, you need to attend and we have specially reserved pews for you at the front!

Birthdays

Congratulations to those who celebrated their birthdays this week.

Lilah (St Therese), Marley (St Bernadette), Chantelle (St Joseph) and Mrs Heal



Matilda 15th June 2017

Thank you for returning your forms and deposits your places have now been secured. Further details to follow nearer the time.

100 Club

The first draw of this year's 100 club will be at the end of March. Good luck to everyone who has selected their number for the year.

Head Teacher's Award

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

Alex (St Francis) ~ for an excellent attitude to learning

Scarlett (St Therese) ~ for a great first week at St George's and producing excellent work all week

Kyrea (St Elizabeth) ~ for working hard at all times in every area of the curriculum with great enthusiasm

Xavier (St Bernadette) ~ for working with great concentration during the World Book Day activities

Oliver S. (St Joseph) ~ for working well collaboratively to share his ideas and discussions

Oliver (St Anthony) ~ for approaching English this week with passion and enthusiasm. His creativity has really shone through!

Mina (St Peter) ~ for having a brilliant level of motivation and determination to succeed in everything she does. Well done!

Reading Awards

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

Riley (St Joseph)

... the children who have reached 100 reads and earned their silver reading certificates

Joshua (St Francis)

Zofia & Stanley (St Elizabeth)

Phoebe, Lily-Grace & Marley (St Bernadette)

Oliver B & Florence (St Joseph) Emily M. (St Peter)

....and our gold winners

Ellie (St Francis)

Brianna & Natalia (St Elizabeth)

Joseph & Eden (St Bernadette)

Emily M., Joshua & Mina (St Peter)

Attendance Awards

Congratulations to Year 3 who have 100% attendance this week.

Sports Awards

Congratulations to this week's winners.

Most Improved ~ Isabel (St Anthony) Sports Performer ~ Ntando (St Peter)

Mercy Awards

Congratulations to the children nominated this week.

Ben H-C. (St Anthony) for being a great ambassador for the school and giving up his seat to a member of the public when at the swimming pool.

Rose (St Anthony) for being a patient and respectful member of the class and appreciating the success of others

Artist of the Month

Well done to Truly Rose (St Peter) for being named Artist of the Month. Her version of Cezanne's 'Still life with apples' was fantastic!

Big Pedal 2017



Get set... we're taking part in The Big Pedal 2017, the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge that inspires pupils, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school. The challenge runs from 20th to 31st March. It's free to enter and we would love everyone to be involved. On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of pupils, staff and parents cycling or scooting to school. We'll be competing against other schools right across the UK, and if we clock up the most bike and scooter journeys we'll win!

Why we're taking part

It's a great way to get more of our pupils travelling to school on their bikes and scooters. We will be competing to become one of the UK's top schools for two-wheeled journeys and will be in with a chance to win prizes including bike and scooter stunt shows and fantastic cycle and scooter storage. All you need to do is encourage your child(ren) to cycle or scoot to school every day during the event, and join them on their way – parent and sibling journeys count too! We will be having a **Dress Your Bike or Scooter day ! on the 27th March** where children will win prizes for originality and creativity. For more information about the event go to www.bigpedal.org.uk. Please get in touch if you have any questions and enjoy the ride!

Prayers

Please remember all in the community who need our prayers

God bless,

Mrs Delgado