



# 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 parents, carers and community,

I cannot believe how quickly this week has zoomed by! We have enjoyed wonderful weather which gave all the classes the opportunity to learn outside and enjoy their social times with their friends. Although we are moving into Autumn, we still have some sunny days, so I ask that parents make sure the children bring in their sunhat.

As you know, cases of COVID 19 continue to rise in the UK. As a school, we are working incredibly hard to keep the children and staff safe ~ regular washing of hands and cleaning of classrooms, individual stationery packs, organising the timetable to ensure bubbles do not mix, managing medical concerns etc. This is in addition to planning and delivering high quality education for all children and supporting the children's well-being. We love having the children back at school and want this to continue throughout this academic year and beyond. Our worst fear is that the children's education is disrupted due to a class having to isolate for 14 days because of a positive result within a bubble. **In order to minimise the chance of this happening, we need you to play your part as parents and carers, especially at drop off and pick up.**

Please wait at the designated waiting areas along the school perimeter fence for each year group (with the exception of year 3 who wait along the path outside the main reception on designated spots). You will need to wait until you are called forward to collect your child/ren and can only come onto site once the previous class have left and the area is clear.

- All parents and carers waiting along the fence **MUST** line up next to the fence to allow other pedestrians to safely move past. Please do not wait or congregate at the railings that run alongside the road, as this leads to people grouping
- All parents/carers must observe social distancing guidance – Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place, such as wearing face coverings

Our whole school community thank you in advance for your support.



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## Welcome to Reception group 2!

We welcomed our second group of 10 reception children on Tuesday morning.

*Maddison, Julia, Fiachra, Ryan, Scarlett, George, Toby, Sebastian,  
Lauren and Harrison.*



We wish you all every happiness and success during the next seven years.

We also welcomed Klaudia to St Joseph's Class. I know you will settle quickly and make lots and lots of new friends very quickly!

## Uniform reminder

Now that we have been back for a couple of weeks, just a couple of reminders

- As the weather is changing, please ensure that the children have a plain waterproof coat with a hood. Tracksuit tops/hoodies are not waterproof coats.
- Please label all items of clothing

If you need to order uniform, follow the link via the website or click on the link below

<https://www.em-it.co.uk/shop/>

## Year R Admissions ~ September 2021

Applications can be submitted online to the Local Authority from 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 until the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Please note that a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) must be completed, which is available from the school (please contact the office and it will be sent via email). If your child has been baptised, or equivalent in a Christian church, please send a copy in with your application. The Supplementary Information Form is to be returned to the school by 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

## Open mornings for Reception 2021

Due to the current situation with regards to visitors in schools, this year we will be doing something a little different! I will be making a short informative video for parents about the school and the process of application. There will also be a virtual tour that the children will organise and deliver. Both will be available on the website from 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020. I will also be available for a coffee morning (online 9.30am – 10.30am), or afternoon tea (online 4pm – 5pm) where I am available to meet and chat with individual families who are interested in a place for their child. The booking form will go live from 2<sup>nd</sup> November and the dates will be

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November (9.30am – 10.30am & 4pm – 5pm)

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November (9.30am – 10.30am & 4pm – 5pm)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November (9.30am – 10.30am & 4pm – 5pm)

## Individual Photos

The school photographer will be in school on TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER to take individual and family group photos. This year we are unable to have pre-school children, or children from other settings, due to minimising contacts in the school.

## Breakfast Club and After school club

Our breakfast club and after school club started on Monday. Don't forget, you can book anytime up to the day before. Unfortunately we cannot accommodate children who have not been booked in.

Breakfast club runs from 7.30am – start of school day ~ £3.50 (breakfast is provided)

After school club runs until 4.45pm ~ half session £7.00

until 6.00pm ~ full session £10.00

(the children will need to bring a 'packed tea' with them which we can refrigerate)

We accept childcare vouchers and further information can be obtained from Mrs O'Shea.

Sessions are now available to book via WisePay up to 18th December 2020.

## Head Teacher Awards

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

**Albie** ~ (St Therese) ~ What a sensible superstar! Albie has impressed us with his positive approach to activities, his kind nature and thoughtful personality.

**Harry H.** ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for his enthusiasm and outstanding knowledge of The Great Fire of London.

**Julia** ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for her outstanding manners, infectious enthusiasm and smile. Keep being a superstar Julia!

**Lucy** ~ (St Joseph) ~ for having a great attitude towards learning and making a great start to Year 4. Well done, Lucy!

**Summer** ~ (St Anthony) ~ for having a fantastic attitude and focus at the beginning of this school year. What a great start. Keep it up!

**Stanley** ~ (St Peter) ~ for his brilliant participation in all lessons this week and for challenging himself in his Maths work. Keep up the hard work Stanley!

## Sports Awards

Well done to our winners this week!

**Improver ~ Ronnie W.** (St Therese) ~ Ronnie demonstrated excellent listening skills to improve his performance in athletics. This resulted in some very fast running. Well done Ronnie!

**Performer ~ Charlie** (St Anthony) Charlie's performance in P.E. this week was excellent. He listened and responded to the music and ideas and showed wonderful creativity.

## Running Miles

This week's results are:

Class	Miles this week	Total so far	Travelled to....
Reception	N/A	N/A	N/A
Year 1	61.8	61.8	London
Year 2	75.7	75.7	London
Year 3	64.8	64.8	London
Year 4	67.6	67.6	London
Year 5	69.3	69.3	London
Year 6	74.9	74.9	London

## Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated this week:

**Maddison** (St Francis) **Harry & Heidi** (St Elizabeth), and **Lee** (St Anthony)

## Children's Well-Being



If your child is struggling through a painful experience, or is experiencing anxieties for whatever reason, and you would like any further information on how we could support them, through group mediation, or individual sessions with a counsellor, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Delgado or Mrs Wallen.



## Parent Information Sessions

At the beginning of every year, meetings are organised so that class teachers can share vital information about the year ahead. As we are unable to have large numbers of parents and carers in school, there is an information slideshow on the school website (click on your child's class page). We hope you find this useful.

This term's parent consultations will take place week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> September. All meeting will be conducted via google meet. Parents will have to book their time slot via the website (from Monday 21<sup>st</sup>), and then the class teacher will send you an invite link via email.

## Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

The Pupil Premium Grant is available to help children from lower income families reach their full potential and to achieve higher academic grades at school.

We are able to check eligibility using a simple, secure and confidential online process.

Under this arrangement, schools receive funding for every pupil who meets the criteria for free school meals; so it is important for us to ensure that every child that meets the criteria is actually registered at the school so we can claim this money.

You meet the criteria if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income - related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit during the four week period immediately after their employment finishes.

In order to determine whether you meet the criteria for the Pupil Premium Grant for your child/children, please contact Mrs O'Shea in the Office.

### Prayers



We continue to keep all families in our thoughts and prayers.

Have a lovely weekend

God Bless,

*Mrs Delgado*

### Diary Events

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Group 3 Reception start
w/b Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Parent Consultations via Google Meet for Year 1 – 6
From Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations via Google Meet for Reception
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020</b>	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly led by Year 6 available on website
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual school photos
w/b 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Class Nativity Play & KS1 Nativity play available for parents on the website
w/b 14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas concert available for parents and carers on the website
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Non uniform Day for winning house team
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Children's Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Autumn Term
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MONDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020 – FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2021</b>	