



# 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,

## Welcome back!

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful half term break. We've only been back 5 days and already we have so much to celebrate as a school community.

## Lent 2020



On Tuesday the children had a wonderful time making and flipping pancakes. Many of them enjoyed the tasting element as well! A huge thank you to the Pancake Ladies: Mrs Stapley, Mrs Milford-Cottam, Mrs Evans, Mrs Staunton, Mrs Irons, Mrs O'Connell, Mrs Clifton, Mrs Fitzpatrick & Mrs Cartlidge.

The following day was Ash Wednesday and the whole school went to St George's Church to celebrate with our parish community. It was a wonderful Mass and I would like to thank Mrs Lawrence for organising it, Mrs Rees for accompanying us on the organ and Fr Brett for helping us all to make the best start to Lent 2020. I would also like to thank all the parents who walked with us. By you giving up your time, we were able to take all the classes safely to church. We appreciate your time and support.



## SCIENCE WEEK 2020



Week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March is British Science Week.

The theme this year is 'Our Diverse Planet'. During the week, every class will be completing a variety of practical activities and continue to engage and enjoy Science. On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, we will have a Whole School Dress-



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Up Day. An assembly will begin the day, and all children will be invited up to the stage to show their imaginative, creative and inspired costumes.

We look forward to seeing lots of mad Scientists – Albert Einstein, Marie Curie, Rachel Carson, Galileo and many more. Please encourage your child to find out a little about a Scientist who inspires them. Dress up can include props and ‘mad hair’ – wild and colourful is acceptable (on this day!).

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mrs Howell.



(There will be no World Book Day dressing up day this year due to the children dressing up for Science week)

### Diary Dates for March

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year R trip to the train station <u>NO STOMP CLUB AFTER SCHOOL</u>
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	Netball Tournament Stomp Club performing at Southend Makes Music 2020 @ Palace Theatre 7pm Cut-off date for Booking Parent Consultations
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Parent Consultation week Year 6 World War Two Evacuation Day at Great Mead
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	Open Evening 3.30pm – 6pm
Thu 12 <sup>th</sup>	Science Dress up day
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming
w/b 16 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fayre Week
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup>	The Big Science Workshop
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year R Class Assembly 9am Mother's Day Gift Sale
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Samba Workshop
w/b 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last week of clubs
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	Hot Cross Run ~ KS2 @ ST Thomas More 1-3pm
Thu 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Class Assembly 9am
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Quiz Night @ St George's School 7.30pm
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Uniform Day for the winning house team TBC
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am Easter performance Years 3 and 4 in school ~ 2pm & 6pm

### Parent Consultations Spring Term 2020

The deadline for booking your consultation appointment is Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March. No further appointments will be made after this date.

### Coronavirus and attendance

On Wednesday I sent an email to all parents and carers giving the government's current guidance on how to prevent the spread of any infections. The advice is still the same, with the main principle being regular washing of hands and using disposable tissues for coughs and colds. We will continue to promote this within the school and will inform you of any updates. As parents will take a more precautionary measure of keeping children at home if they are feeling unwell, we will not take this half term's absenteeism through illness into account when rewarding great attendance at the end of the year. We will continue to monitor the situation and make a decision regarding the summer term nearer the time. Thank you in advance for your support.

### KS1 Cross Country

This week our amazing cross country team represented the school at the Southend Cross Country Tournament. The children were up against **19** other schools which meant there were around **120 runners in each race**. Our children worked hard individually and as part of a team and many of the children told me that they had come in the top ten, or at least beaten their place from last year. As a school we did celebrate two top three places! **Beatrice** from St Therese class came **1st** and **Harry S**, also from St Therese class, came **2nd**.

Due to the team's fantastic performance, we came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, which is a magnificent achievement. We are very proud of the whole team. My thanks to Mrs McLoughlin for organising and supporting the children at the event.

St Therese Class: Beatrice, Lyla, Lily, Heidi, Ruva & Rosie  
Harry S., Henry, George, Brooklyn, Elijah & Jake

St Elizabeth Class: Poppy, Julia, Olivia, Mia & Freya W.  
Dominic, Ben C., Albert, Jack, George & David

### KS1 Dance Festival

As if the cross county wasn't enough, a group of year 1 & 2 children performed at Garons at the local Dance Festival. They chose 'A Whole New World' for their routine, and apparently they were out of this world! We watched a recording during this afternoon's assembly and the girls were fabulous. A big thank you to Miss Ruzs for organising the team's participation and to the girls for being wonderful representatives.

St Therese Class: Amelie, Kamila, Elsiada, Blossom, Padme, Robyn, Ruva, Katie & Imogen

St Elizabeth Class: Honey, Freya W., Julia & Hannah

### Uniform

We are looking for any second hand uniform that parents wish to donate to loan to children who may have mislaid their P.E. kit, or had an accident which may require a change of clothes, including tights. We will happily receive any sizes, year R to year 6. We also ask that if your child comes home in loaned clothing because of having an accident (which you would have received an app message about), could you wash it and return it to the office.

### Head Teacher's Award

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

**Jude** (St Francis) ~ for super work in reading and writing activities this week

**Katie** (St Therese) ~ for being a super example of being adaptable and persevering in Year 1. She has grown in confidence and even if when a bit nervous, she'll have a go and try her best.

Well done Katie!

**Matthias** (St Elizabeth) ~ for improving his handwriting and working really hard.

**Grace** (St Bernadette) ~ for being a super learner this week! She has shown great enthusiasm and participation in all lessons, and shown greater independence in her work. Well done Grace!

**Isla** (St Joseph) ~ for her conscientious and hardworking attitude in all areas of the curriculum.

Keep up the great work Isla!

**Jason** (St Anthony) ~ for his hard work and effort in his English work, particularly his commitment to improve his handwriting. Keep up the enthusiasm Jason!

**Lyric** (St Peter) ~ for her amazing self-portrait in the style of Pop Art

### Reading Awards

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

**Poppy** (St Elizabeth)

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

**Chloe, Damian & Albie** (St Francis), **Vince, Katie & Elsiada** (St Therese),

**Oscar, Stanislaw & Julia** (St Elizabeth),

and our gold Awards for 150 reads

**Jude** (St Francis), **Albert** (St Therese), **Samuel & Kieran** (St Elizabeth), **Scarlett** (St Joseph),

**Natalia, Jessica & Sophia** (St Anthony),

### March Artist of the Month

Congratulations to **Charlotte** (St Anthony) who has been chosen as Artist of the Month for her printing, charcoal and painted William Morris design. You can see it displayed in the office reception area.

### Sports Awards

Well done to our winners this week

Most improved ~ **Padme** (St Therese)

Performers of the week ~ **Beatrice & Harry S.** (St Therese)

## Running Miles

This week's results are:

Class	Miles this week	Total so far	Travelled to....
Reception	43	486.5	Edinburgh
Year 1	79.9	1151.4	Birmingham
Year 2	75.4	1049.5	Dublin
Year 3	70.7	935.9	Liverpool
Year 4	75	1109.5	Dublin
Year 5	72.4	1078.4	Dublin
Year 6	52.8	1148.2	Birmingham

## Term dates for 2020-21

### Autumn Term:

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Half term 26<sup>th</sup> October – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Spring Term:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Half term 15<sup>th</sup> February – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Summer Term:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Half term 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021 – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## INSET DAYS ~ School will be closed for children

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

## MAT INSET DAY ~ School will be closed for children

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Prayers



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

God Bless,

*Mrs Delgado*

ST GEORGES PRESENTS:

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ENTRY<sup>PP</sup>

# TRIVIA NIGHT

BRING YOUR  
OWN NIBBLES  
AND DRINK!

18+  
ONLY

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2020 @ 7.30PM

TEAMS OF UPTO 10. PLEASE PAY RACHAEL TURNER TO SECURE  
YOUR TABLE