



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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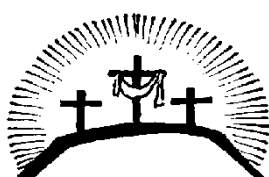
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To our wonderful parents, families and community,



No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

John 15: 13

As you all know, tomorrow is Good Friday, the day we remember Jesus' love for all of us and how he gave his life for those he cared for and loved. It seems a message that is very current, and for some of us very real, when we think about the dedication of our NHS staff. By working on the front line, they too are prepared to put the treatment of, and lives of others before their own. During this time of crisis, other essential workers have stood up and put themselves forward to play their part and be of assistance to others for the sake of the community. There are also people that have been unable to go beyond their front door due to family constraints, health issues or because they have been specifically identified as needing to be shielded. I know that these people are also playing their part in getting us through by staying in, sending messages of support to those around them and praying for our world. There are also the millions of us who are following the message of 'Stay Home', to protect the NHS and save lives. We are all doing our bit, however that looks. I hope that in the future we remember the important role each and everyone of us has played, not just as part of our families, but in our wider community; to be a force for good, a source of joy to others and to have that willingness to put another person, and their needs, before our own.

On behalf of the staff at St George's, I wish each and every family a very happy and holy Easter.

Much love,

Annabelle Delgado



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Services this weekend

Tonight marks the start of the Triduum, the period of time that stretches from Holy Thursday until Easter Sunday. After speaking to Fr Brett, it is very important that we do not let these days 'just go past', like any other day during this strange time. Therefore, I am emailing out some resources that can help support every family in their Easter celebrations. Below are other links that you can visit to help with your Easter celebration.

<p>Updated list of 'Live-streamed Masses' and other Services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walsingham Shrine, Norfolk• Westminster Cathedral• Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea• St Peter and St Paul, Ilford• Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wickford• A 'Live' Schedule of Services, including Rosary, Exposition, Morning Prayer, etc)	<p>Via Youtube:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chelmsford (Our Lady Immaculate)• Basildon (Our Lady and All Saints)• Leigh-on-Sea (Our Lady of Lourdes)• Manor Park (St Stephen & St Nicholas)• East Ham (St Michael's)• Forest Gate (St Anthony's)
<p>A 'live' link to the Vatican:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Vatican - 'Live Feed'	<p>Via Instagram</p> <p>Walsingham House at Abbotswick</p>

Amazing Love

If you still haven't had a chance, I encourage all of you to watch Years 3 & 4 Easter production, especially over this weekend. The children are magnificent and tell the story of the days leading up to Easter Sunday. The link is below.

<https://stgeorges-cps-southend.primarysite.media/>

Reading Awards

WELL DONE to Eden (St Peter), our DIAMOND reader who reached 200 reads

She reached it a couple of weeks ago however a technical glitch delayed us receiving the message. We didn't forget you Eden! Thank you for your patience.

Sports Awards

Performer of the Week – **Albie** (St Francis) for being a fabulous participant during Joe Wicks' P.E. session and learning to ride his bike with no stabilisers.

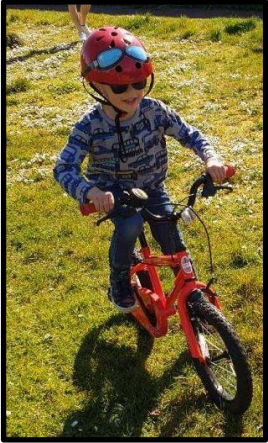
Weekly update 6th April – 9th April 2020

It's been a great week! I've continued to look at all the pages on Tapestry and Purple Mash and continue to be amazed by everything that you get up to. Thank you to all the support staff who have been interacting with the children online during this week.

On-site activity

Well done to the children who were in during this week. Your engagement and enthusiasm in all the different tasks was superb. From origami, to dodgeball, to obstacle courses, you certainly made sure you used all your skills. Well done! A BIG thank you to all the staff members that were in this week, caring for the children.

EYFS



EYFS may be the youngest class but have continued to be one of the busiest! There has been a great deal of activity this week, especially with Maths work. **Aaron** shared pictures of getting 'hands on' with time; **Shia's** pictures demonstrated some excellent number writing and **Ronnie W.** was discovering numbers in his dinner (courtesy of Curly Fries!) The children have continued to keep fit: **Mia-Rae** and **Shia** have been out riding their scooters; **Albie** learned to ride with no stabilisers – well done **Albie!** And many of the others



dressed up for Joe Wick's Fancy Dress Friday.



There has been plenty of baking too. **Charlotte** saved the day by making pitta breads as the family had run out and '**Merrie**' **Berry** made a delicious Victoria Sponge. The children also remembered that this was Holy Week and **Erin** and **Aaron** painted palms for their front doors. The children also made Easter cards to celebrate this important event in our Church's year. Well done to Team Reception, I can't wait to see what you are up to next week!

Happy Easter from the Year R team

Year 1 continue to amaze me with all the activities that they get up to – it's never a dull day! This week, **Padme** and **Blossom** have been learning about the animal kingdom (an octopus and a rabbit, to be precise!) and **Albert** has also been on a



science theme, writing a diary about the growth of his sunflower. **Albert** also managed to squeeze in a bit of role play; **St George** and the Dragon. **Imogen**, **Katie** and **Lyla** kept things moving! **Lyla** joined in with the fancy dress work out, **Imogen** played some football with Daddy and **Katie** made an activity trail which was inspired by her neighbour. **Harry** also kept the pace up and after calculating his laps around the garden, he has 'virtually' arrived in Canvey. Well done **Harry!** It was wonderful to see that the children are

making Easter cards and pictures, ready to share and celebrate this weekend.

Happy Easter from the Year 1 team



Year Two have continued to enjoy activities inside and outdoors. **Oliver** made a wonderful rainbow poster supporting our NHS. **Oliver**, I'm sure your poster will put a smile on everyone's face when they see it. **Jacob** has also been working hard on his own mini topic. Creativity is definitely in the air in year 2, with last week's Head Teacher's award winner, **Harry**, making homemade 'potato heads', they look amazing! **Kieran** designed a wonderful 'Happy Palm Sunday' poster and **Hannah** has been busy making an Easter card to give to her family



this weekend. It was great to see that **Oscar** continues to be very active! Not only has he been joining in the Joe Wicks' daily work out, he also went for a walk in Shoebury park and saw an array of wildlife. I did see that **Jack** made his first batch of rock cakes, which looked delicious, and **Archie** has been working hard on subtraction – losing a tooth definitely helped with his understanding of one less!

Happy Easter from the Year 2 team

Like the other classes, Year 3 have been completing a huge variety of different activities that showcases their talents! Last week, Princess Mermaid and Wonder Woman (AKA **Florence R-F. & Leah**) completed Joe Wicks' fancy dress Friday workout. **Aubrey** has also continued to exercise, as well as taking time out to listen to David Walliams stories. There has been a lot of Roman research, with **Florence I & Daniel** finding out fabulous facts and **Satya** made an outstanding rock waterfall with her Mum.



Year 3 have definitely been focusing on the lead up to Easter. **Natalia** completed a wonderful piece of work on Palm Sunday and **Samuel S.** completed work on the Stations of the Cross. **Thomas** used some skilful paper folding to make some Easter chicks and **Corey** and **Florence R-F** have designed beautiful Easter cards.



Happy Easter from the Year 3 team

Goodness me **Year 4!** How on earth do the Year 4 team keep up with everything you get up to. It was wonderful to see such a huge selection of activities. There has been lots of physical activity with **William** continuing with the mile run, **Samuel and Hannah** dressing up for Fancy Dress Friday with Joe Wicks and **Isis** perfecting her racquet skills. **Isabelle, Dylan and**



Ocean have continued to keep their English skills sharp and **William and Scarlett** are

enjoying science activities. There has been lots of great art work: **Isabelle** recreated the Northern Lights, **William** produced an excellent shadow picture and **Julia** used her artistic skills to illustrate the Easter story. Staying with Easter, it was wonderful to see the cards the children had made and uploaded for each other. **Jasmine and Isla** used their ICT skills whilst **Samuel, Edie, Harry C., William and Scarlett** made them by hand and shared the photo. There is a wonderfully

titled year 4 blog 'What makes me happy' where the children post their thoughts. **Hannah** shared that her chicken makes her happy, **Isabelle** finds joy in her drawing and **Isla** loves to get lost in a Harry Potter. Thank you sharing, year 4.



Happy Easter from the Year 4 team



I am pleased to report that **Year 5** are continuing to keep themselves busy. **Florence O.** is keeping physically and maths fit by joining in with workouts and practising her tables. Last week's Head Teacher's award winner, **Natalia**, has continued to interact on the class pages, suggesting a language blog as she is developing her skills using Duolingo. It seems that **Jessica** has been inspired by all the doctors and nurses as she completed a 'Beastly Body puzzle'. It looked VERY complicated!

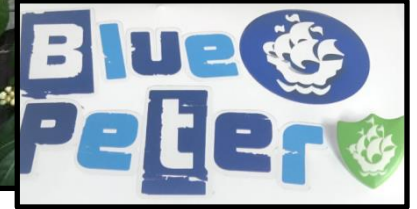
There have been outside activities in the garden with **Fred, Zofia and Alvin**

completing Mrs Ellegard's nature challenge. It has been wonderful to see the Easter work created by the children. **Florance V., Jessica, Edward and Finlay** have all focused on Jesus' cross, which is very fitting as tomorrow is Good Friday. The children have also designed cards and **Charlotte, Natalia and William** have made Easter bunnies from paper. Year 5 have also been very keen guessers on Miss Rusz's 'Guess Who' page, which challenges everyone to guess the staff member from a set of clues (even the staff are trying to identify who it is!). Keep up the great work year 5.



Happy Easter from the Year 5 team

Year 6, it was lovely to read through your blogs to see what you have been up to this week. I have to start with the fantastic news that **Eden** was awarded a Green Blue Peter Badge! She made her bird feeder, hung it up and then her brother took a photo and sent it to Blue Peter. On Saturday, **Eden** received her Green Blue Peter badge. Well done **Eden**! **Lily** has also completed her bird feeder, as well as doing some gardening this week. **Regan** has spent time developing her sketching skills – **Regan**, you are really improving! Mrs Marquis has been working the brain cells of Year 6 by posting lots of riddles for the children to solve. The children have worked hard to find the answers and are even setting her some riddles to solve! As we are in Holy Week, **Lily, Eden, Eliana,**



Nadia, Joseph and Emily finished their comic strips to tell the story of Jesus' death and resurrection and **Marley** created a wreath to retell the story. **Amelie, Joseph, James and Marley** have designed Easter cards and posted on the site for everyone to share.

Love from the Year 6 team

Artist of the Week

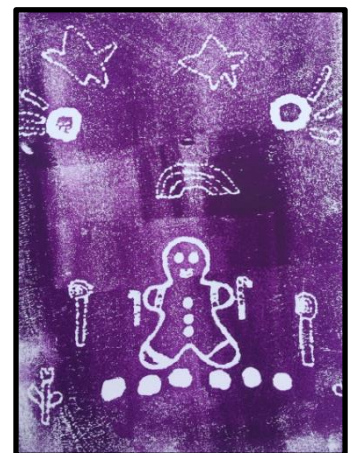
This week, for the second week running, there are two winners for Artist of the month.



Well done to **Isis** (St Joseph) for her fabulous printing, using polystyrene. She also shared this picture of her stone painting. Excellent work **Isis**.

and...

Congratulations to **Finley** (St Anthony) for his fantastic colour sketch of the crucifixion. It really left me speechless. Well done **Finley**.



Head Teacher's Award

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



Anina (St Francis) -for your fantastic work creating Easter cards.

Harry H. (St Therese) ~ for completing a huge range of activities during the last 3 weeks.

Harry, it has been great to see EVERYTHING you have been up to.

Jacob (St Elizabeth) ~ for your work on your chosen mini topic. You researched many interesting facts. We look forward to you sharing this with us. Fantastic work Jacob!

Thomas (St Bernadette) ~ for your amazing work over the last three weeks. Thank you for sharing everything that you are up to, it certainly makes year 3's blog an exciting one!

Jasmine (St Joseph) for taking home learning to a whole new level! Jasmine has posted work in almost every subject from Art to Zoology! You are also so encouraging to your classmates on the blog pages. Well done Jasmine, you are a superstar!

Fred- (St Anthony) for having a go at all the activities that are online and showing that you are just as hard working at home, as you are at school. Thank you for sharing all your exciting news and happenings!

Joseph (St Peter) – for being such active member of the class blogs. You have undertaken so many different activities and posted them for all of us to share. You make positive comments, join in with group blogs and are always up for a challenge. Well done Joseph!



Birthdays



Congratulations to all those who celebrated their birthday this week.

*Casey (St Anthony), Eliana (St Peter) and Mrs Gillett
and those celebrating over this Easter weekend
Nathan (St Francis) and Jason (St Anthony)*

Prayers

I am sure that many of us are now hearing news that friends, people we know in our community, and possibly even family members, are self-isolating due to showing symptoms linked to Covid-19. I ask that we pray for all those people affected, may their healing and recovery be swift. For those who may be experiencing more severe symptoms, and may be in hospital, we pray that they feel the love of God, through the people who care for them, which strengthens them as they recover. We ask God to protect all those who care for patients; may they find time for rest and peace.

God Bless,

Mrs Delgado