



# 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 community,

I ask you to keep in your thoughts and prayers the children who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend. This is a momentous event for them and they have spent a great deal of time preparing themselves to receive the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time. I'm looking forward to this special occasion and wish all the families and friends a very happy day We pray for:



**Addilyn, Sophie, Lex, Fiachra, Sebby, Toby, Eliana and Oliver**

Lord Jesus, who gave us the gift of the Holy Eucharist, we ask you to look after our children as they come to your table for the first time.

Protect and strengthen them through your precious Body and Blood.

Amen.

### Farewell, thank you and God bless

At the end of this term, we will be saying farewell to two members of staff, **Mrs Jenkins**, our MDA and breakfast club assistant, and **Mrs Howell**, who teaches year 5.

I would just like to say a HUGE thank you to both of them. During their years at St George's (Mrs Jenkins twenty-two years and Mrs Howell nine years), they have nurtured and cared for our children. Mrs Jenkins has been our first aider, who not only gave cold pads, plasters and wipes, she always gave words of comfort and reassurance. Mrs Howell has inspired the minds of children, especially their love of reading. Her passion to all areas of the curriculum has instilled a love of learning in countless children. Both ladies have been fabulous colleagues to work alongside and I know all the staff will miss them dearly. On behalf of the whole school, I would like to thank both of you for your hard work, commitment and dedication to St George's.



Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Borough Sports @Garons 9.30am – 12pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Father's Day Sale in school Induction Afternoon for Reception 2024
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Music Festival
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting for year 5 parents and children @2.30pm with St Bernard's/St Thomas More
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Assisi Sports at St Thomas More 9.30am – 12pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Celebration Day
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June &amp; Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June INSET DAYS ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</b>	
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Leavers Assembly @ 2.30pm Key Stage 1 Assisi Sports @ St Teresa's, Rochford
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform day for the Summer Fayre If your child would like to participate and wear their own clothes, we ask for a donation of: <b>Sweets</b> (individually packed/bag of/family share pack etc) ~ <b>Reception, Year 1 &amp; Year 2</b> <b>An unopened bottle</b> ~ alcoholic or non-alcoholic ~ <b>Year 3, 4, 5 &amp; 6</b>

### Classes for next year

There is quite a bit of change next year, especially at key stage 2, so I am sharing class teachers for next year a couple of weeks earlier than usual. Support staff will be confirmed with the children over the next couple of weeks and the children will meet their class team for next year before we break up for the summer.

Reception Class ~ Mrs Cracknell and Mrs Philips

Year 1 ~ Mrs McLoughlin

Year 2 ~ Mrs Gillett

Year 3 ~ Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Arnold

Year 4 ~ Mrs Bracknell (Mrs Arnold on a Monday)

Year 5 ~ Mrs Marquis

Year 6 ~ Mr Sims (Mrs Archer on a Thursday)

Mrs Arnold and Mrs Archer will continue to cover classes when needed for PPA etc.

### Reading Awards

As ever, lots of awards this week! We will start with our SUPER readers who have reached 250 reads! Well done to: **Hallie-May & Violet S.** (St Francis), **Elsie, Nyla & Rory** (St Therese), **Ezinne** (St Bernadette), **Erin** (St Joseph), **Lily, Heidi, Imogen & Kamila** (St Anthony)

There were also DIAMOND certificates for: **Josie & Olivia** (St Francis), **Elsie** (St Elizabeth), **Ellie** (St Bernadette) **Albie & Mia-Rae** (St Joseph) and **Rosie** (St Anthony)

**Michelle** (St Bernadette) was awarded her GOLD award and **Mia** (St Francis) received her SILVER AWARD.

## Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to all the children who have been recognised for their achievements this week.

**Violet W.** ~ (St Francis) ~ for working hard in group activities, especially in reading. Well done, Violet!

**Dolly** ~ (St Therese) ~ for being an all round superstar this week. Kind, helpful, responsible, hard working and enthusiastic – who



could ask for more!

**St Elizabeth Class** ~ for being exceptionally well behaved and for being so interested in everything they did and learnt about at the Hovercraft Station, Lifeboat Station and in the Pier Museum. Mrs Gillett and Mrs Harris were very proud of them and they were a credit to the school. Well done everyone!

**River-Jane** ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for working incredibly hard, always thinking of others and having such wonderful manners. Well done, River-Jane.

**Meredith** ~ (St Joseph) ~ for working with enthusiasm and being an incredibly helpful and well-mannered member of the class. Well done, Merrie!

**Lyla** (St Anthony) ~ for outstanding creative writing this week in a range of curriculum subjects. Keep up the great work Lyla!

**Albey** ~ (St Peter) ~ He always greets the year 6 team with a smile and is always ready for the day ahead. His sense of humour is fantastic and he is always a pleasure to teach – well done!

**Julia** ~ (St Peter) ~ for her infectious enthusiasm for performing. She has worked really hard to perfect her role!



### We were bowled over...!

This week, our two cricket teams were in action at a tournament at Garons. Both teams certainly hit us for six with their performances! The matches were incredible close, especially during the afternoon.



On Wednesday, year 5 & 6 boys went to Garons to compete in the cricket tournament against other schools. It was a good day for cricket as the sun was shining! We won a match in the afternoon and were very happy. We also made up 'cricketing names' for each other. We had: Rampaging Rose, Hammering Hammond, Smashing Shadbolt, Toe-tapping Turner, Vicious Vince, Catching Cochrane, 'Mazing Max, Head-banging Hazlewood, Safe Hands Collins, Secret Sidney, Cracking King and Captain Kuech. There were 8 people in a team for each game and everyone had a chance at batting, fielding and bowling.

By Jake and George

On Thursday, some of the year 5 & 6 girls went to Garons to compete in a Dynamo cricket competition. We played 4 matches against different schools. There were 8 players to a team and everyone had a chance to bowl, bat and field. Everyone supported each other and we had an amazing time!

By Heidi and Padmé



Well done to the two teams:

Albey, Sidney, Edison, Max, Harry H., Harry S., Henry, Elijah, Vince, Jake, Albert, George  
Honey, Beatrice, Heidi, Padmé, Ruva, Amelie, Lily, Imogen

### Sports Awards

This week's sports awards could only come from our fantastic cricket teams. **Albey and Honey** have both been chosen for being outstanding captains of their respective teams. They encouraged, inspired and organised everyone on the team. Well done to both of you.

### Punctuality Update

Year Group	Yr R	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Punctuality	99%	94%	97%	95%	97%	98%	99%

## Celebration Day 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024

We are looking forward to welcoming all our families to school for our annual Celebration Day on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June. We've tweaked a couple of things on the day:

1. We will be dividing the parent, carers and family House race into 3 groups. Reception, year 1 and Year 2 will compete first. Then the families of year 3 & 4 will be invited to compete. And then finally, we will ask for any families from year 5 & 6. Any parents that have children in more than one year group can choose which race to compete in, or enter them all!
2. For the afternoon music performance, we will be inviting Reception, year 1 and 2 parents and carers first. Then, when the performance is finished, parents can leave or stay for the next performance. We will then invite year 3 parents and carers to watch their child's performance. Once it is finished, you can leave, and we will invite year 4 families in to the hall. Then year 5, and then year 6. Hopefully the smaller numbers will make it a little cooler and less congested!

If you have any questions about the day, please do not hesitate to contact the office, or catch me at the gate/in the playground.

### Message from the PTA:

Father's Day Sale for the children will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June in school. The PTA will be selling gifts for Daddy, or for any special person they would like to buy a gift for. Payment can be £2 cash on the day or by using the friends and family option via the Friends of St George's PayPal - [pta@st-georges.southend.sch.uk](mailto:pta@st-georges.southend.sch.uk)

Please give your child's name, class and gift sale as payment reference if using PayPal.

### Birthdays

Congratulations to Isabelle (St Therese), Jason (St Elizabeth), Kyle (St Joseph) and Mrs Bowie and Mrs Philips who celebrated their birthdays this week.



### Prayers



We keep all our community in our prayers.

God Bless,

*Mrs Delgado*

### Diary Dates

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
w/b 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (morning session)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Father's Day Sale in school

	Reception 2024 Induction Afternoon
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
	No after school club due to staff training
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
	No after school club due to Celebration day
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Feast of St Thomas More and St John Fisher
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school @ 2.30pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Non uniform day for the Summer Fayre – KS1 donations of sweets KS2 donations of bottles
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Feast of St Peter and Paul
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre
w/b 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Assembly @ 9.05am
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 6pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2024</b>	