



ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*Let it be known to all who enter here, that Christ is the reason for this school,
the unseen but ever present teacher in its classes,
the model for its children, the inspiration for its staff.*

*We aim to be a Christian community and witnesses to Christ,
where all can experience and grow in Christian love
through God's word and the gifts of His sacraments,
and through prayer and personal example.*



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Dear Parents,

Dates for your diary



January

Sun 31st

Family Mass @ St George's Church ~ 10.45am

February

Thu 4th

Year 3 Class Assembly ~ 9am

A Fabulous Night in London!



On Wednesday, our wonderful school choir travelled to the O2 Arena in London, to perform as part of the Young Voices choir. They joined with nearly 7,500 other children from schools across the country, to give a performance that was truly fantastic. We were joined by many of our parents who came to see this spectacular event, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. I would like to thank all of you for representing our school so magnificently.

Adele, Maddy, Murphy, Chantelle, Grace and Michael

Maisie, Henry, Maddie, Isabel, Louie, Daisy, Callum, Olivia and India

Emma, Hannah, Truly-Rose, Aimee, William, Jessica, Grace, Adele, Marco, Emily M., Anna, Isabella and Victoria

I would also like to thank Mrs Sayer who organised this experience for the children. She gave up a great deal of her time to prepare and organise the children, ready for the event. My thanks also go to Mrs Wallen, Mrs Harris, Mrs Lewis and Mr Lish who accompanied the children during the afternoon rehearsal and the evening concert.

Sports Enrichment Day

This week, twelve children from Year 4 participated in a Sports Enrichment day. Six children developed new skills in cricket during their time at St Thomas More, and the remaining children further developed their athletic abilities at St Bernard's. The children thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity.

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who have celebrated their birthday this week

Orla (St Francis)

Callum (St Joseph)

Mina (St Anthony)



Reading Awards

Well done to the following children who gained their bronze award this week ~ a special well done to Year 2 (St Elizabeth class) who are the first full class to have completed the bronze!

Logan & Charlie (St Francis)

Andrew (St Joseph)

Riley & Jack (St Bernadette)

Alexander (St Joseph)

Joshua & Truly-Rose (St Anthony)

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

Hannah & Harry (St Francis)

Jason (St Therese)

Richard & Marley (St Elizabeth)

Head Teacher's Award

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

Lilah (St Francis) ~ for her creativity and independence in the classroom

Florence (St Therese) ~ for fantastic progress in reading

Lily~Grace (St Elizabeth) ~ for outstanding poetry and prayer work

Poppy (St Bernadette) ~ for always being a caring friend to everyone and setting an excellent example of good behaviour

Stanley (St Joseph) ~ for an excellent attitude to classwork and homework

Mina (St Anthony) ~ for always trying her best in everything she does

Amelia (St Peter) ~ for outstanding effort in all areas of the curriculum. Well done!

Sports Award

The winners of this week's sports awards are:

Most Improved ~ Maia (St Bernadette) Performer of the week ~ Zophia (St Therese)

Friends of St George's News

100 Club

Thank you to all the parents, families and friends who have supported the 100 club. We are pleased to say the prize breakdown will be the same as last year, due to the fantastic uptake.

1st Number drawn £50

2nd Number drawn £30

3rd Number drawn £20

However, in December, there will be a Christmas Bonus!

The draws will take place on the first Friday in March, June, September and December during the celebration assembly. And prize winners will receive their cheque the following week.

If you still want to be involved, but have forgotten to hand your money in, the office will continue to take any final payments and numbers will be issued next week.

Exciting news!

After last year's successful theatre trip, the PTA have arranged another visit to London to see a show. This year it is....**THE LION KING!** at the Lyceum Theatre. It has been booked for Thursday 16th June for the 7:30pm show. If you would like tickets please contact Hannah as soon as you can on 07734469673 or hannah.fitzpatrick@blueyonder.co.uk. We



have 120 tickets available which will be sold on a first come, first served, basis.

The seats are in the Royal Circle, rows K, L, N, P, M & P and the PTA are selling them for £40, including coach transport to and from the theatre. They will need a deposit of £25 per ticket by February 11th, with the rest payable by the end of April. Payment can be made by cash or cheque (payable to Friends of St George's). Deposits must be in a clearly marked envelope with your name, child's name & the number of tickets required on the front. Please give your envelope to Hannah or hand it in at the office. If this trip is successful, Hannah may book something else later in the year.

Playground Reminders

Could I remind all parents that dogs must not be on the playground. This applies whether the dog is being carried or on a lead. Also, children, including younger siblings, should not be on the adventure playgrounds, before or after school. I thank you in advance for your support.

MUSICAL MONDAY ~ 15th February!

Musical Monday is a fun day of music making activities for children and young people aged 7+. All abilities and experiences are welcome to take part. The day will include fun musical warm ups, group percussion, learning new music, creating and improvising. All instruments are catered for - strings, woodwind, brass, percussion, keyboards, recorders, guitars. Some percussion instruments will be provided. The day takes place at St Mary's C of E Primary

School, Boston Avenue, Southend, and ends with an informal concert for parents and family to attend. Book online at musicalmonday.eventbrite.co.uk. The cost is £9 (£8 advantage card holders) for the day.

Attention Ladies

Ever wondered what to do with your unwanted bras? If they no longer fit or may be a different shade due to washing, we have the answer! We are collecting unwanted bras on behalf of Against Breast Cancer. The second hand bras that are donated are sold to a recycling company with all money supporting breast cancer research. The bras are then recycled & sent abroad. Due to the cost of bras in some areas of Africa, only the wealthy can afford them, which not only brings status, but also lowers the risk of the teenage girls and women being seriously attacked. We hope that many of you will support this charity by donating any second hand bras that you no longer wear. All donations can be given into the office.



Prayers Please remember all in our community who need your prayers at this time. God Bless,

Miss Norris

