



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,

R.E. News

We were thrilled to receive our Catholic Schools Inspection report this week. We are all so proud of the key findings that were published on the front page.

We are also EXTREMELY proud that Catholic Mife and Mission was rated as OUTSTANDING.

There are so many people to thank; the staff, the children, our families, Father Brett and our parish community. We could not achieve any of this without you!

Click [HERE](#) to access the report.

Ash Wednesday

We welcomed Father Brett into school this week for our Ash Wednesday service which marks the beginning of Lent.

As we received the ashes, Father Brett asked us to 'Open our hearts and receive Jesus' love'.

We pray that we all experience this during this Lent season.





Head Teacher Awards

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

Eva ~ (St Francis) ~ for working hard in her phonics and writing activities.

Dolly ~ (St Therese) ~ for an excellent week with super listening, super effort and clever thinking. Well done,

Raymond ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for his fantastic colouring this week. Well done, Raymond!

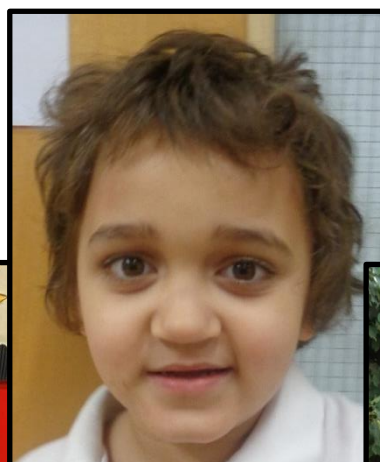
Ryan ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for always giving his very best to all that St George's offers. He is always thinking of others and is a great example of the Beatitudes.

Anina ~ (St Joseph) ~ for being a wonderful role model. She behaves beautifully and works conscientiously.

Well done, Anina!

Albert ~ (St Anthony) ~ for his entertaining enthusiasm, crazy contributions and imaginative ideas in our Victorian Dragon's Den. An inventor of the future? We wouldn't be surprised. Great work Albert!

George ~ (St Peter) ~ for always making fantastic contributions in class, in all areas of the curriculum and for showing resilience and determination to do his very best – well done!



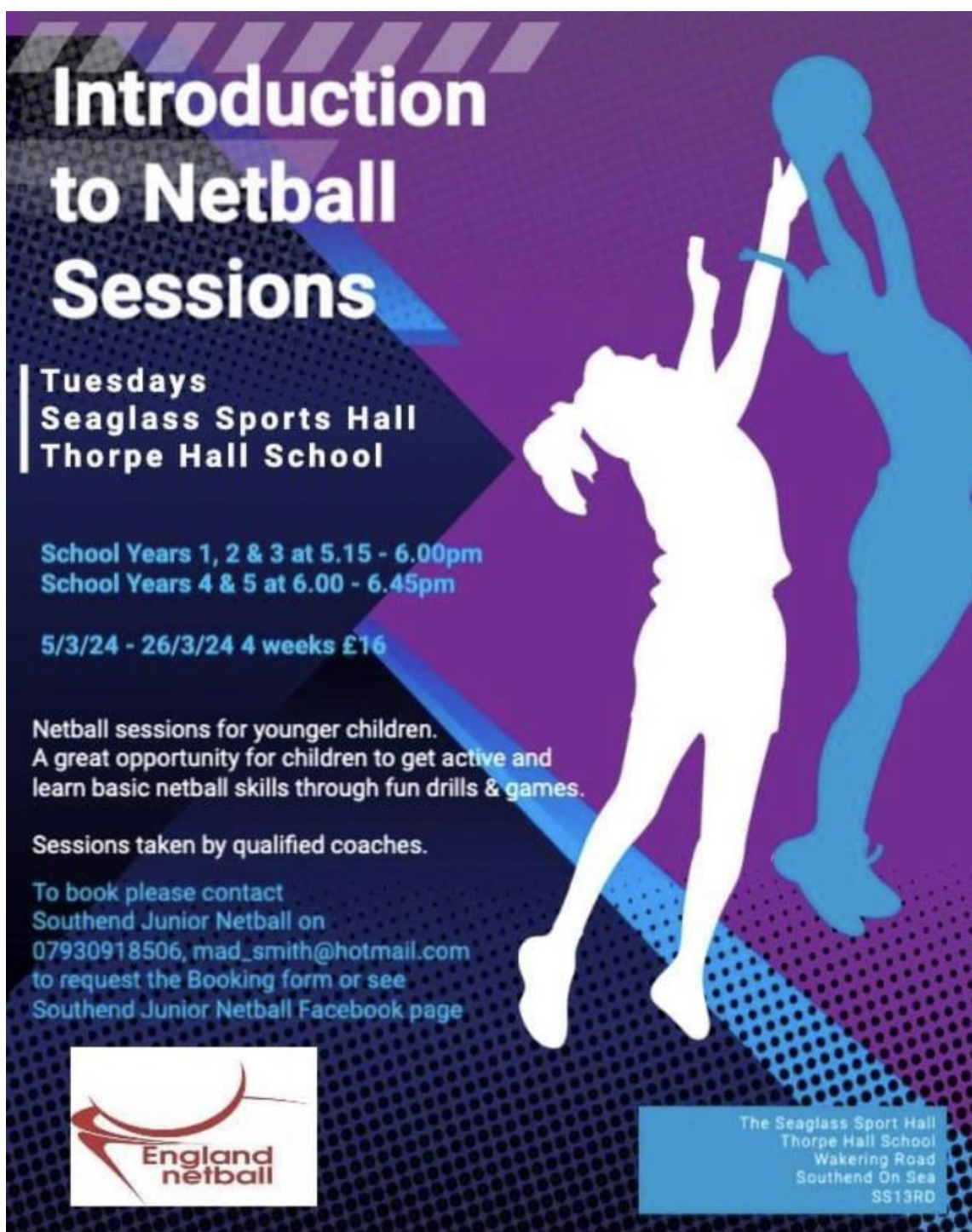
Netball League Match

On Tuesday, our year 6 netballers went to Shoeburyness High School for the netball league. We were amazing and are very proud of our performance. There were so many good schools playing. We played 8 games during their afternoon and won 6 out of the 8.

Match report by Afsa

Sports Award

The first 2 recipients of this week's sports award are from our fantastic netball team. **Honey and Julia**, from **St Peter's class**, were on form during every game – our sharp shooters! **Elsiada** from **St Anthony class** has also been chosen for her amazing basketball skills, including dribbling and shooting, as well as giving great feedback to help others. Well done to all three of you!

A promotional poster for netball sessions. The background is purple with a white silhouette of a netball player in mid-air, reaching for a ball. The text is in white and blue. The title 'Introduction to Netball Sessions' is in large white font. Below it, the schedule is listed: 'Tuesdays Seaglass Sports Hall Thorpe Hall School'. The times are 'School Years 1, 2 & 3 at 5.15 - 6.00pm' and 'School Years 4 & 5 at 6.00 - 6.45pm'. The dates and cost are '5/3/24 - 26/3/24 4 weeks £16'. A description follows: 'Netball sessions for younger children. A great opportunity for children to get active and learn basic netball skills through fun drills & games.' It also states 'Sessions taken by qualified coaches.' and provides contact information: 'To book please contact Southend Junior Netball on 07930918506, mad_smith@hotmail.com to request the Booking form or see Southend Junior Netball Facebook page'. At the bottom left is the 'England netball' logo, and at the bottom right is the address: 'The Seaglass Sport Hall, Thorpe Hall School, Waking Road, Southend On Sea, SS13RD'.

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Reading Awards

Well done to the following who received their BRONZE award this afternoon.

Jacob & Eva (St Francis), **Maddison** (St Bernadette), **Nancy** (St Joseph)

Well done to the children who received their SILVER award for 100 reads.

Lacey-May, Philippa & Demi (St Francis), **Jack** (St Therese), **Michelle & Dillon** (St Bernadette),

George, Ruva, Amelie & Albert (St Anthony)

and our GOLD readers who have reached 150 reads

Sophie & Hallie-May (St Francis), **Isabelle, Elsie & Astrella** (St Therese),

Jason, Lily & Milita (St Elizabeth), **Lex, Ezinne, Abigail, Sophia, Toby, Teddy & Aviya** (St

Bernadette), **Erin** (St Joseph), **Imogen, Kamila, Albert, Heidi & Elijah** (St Anthony)

and **Jack** (St Peter)

School Nurse Drop in session

Our first drop-in session is on Tuesday 27th February from 9am to 10am. The nurse will offer advice and support on various things e.g. emotional health and wellbeing, healthy lifestyles, sleep support and lots more. There is no need to book, just come to the main reception after you have dropped your child/children off. If you need any more information, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs O'Shea in the Office.

Birthdays

Congratulations to **Rosie** (St Elizabeth) **Imogen & Maisie** (St Anthony) and **Miss Wingrove** who are celebrating birthdays this week.



We also wish 'Happy Birthday' to those celebrating during half term.

River-Jane (St Bernadette), **Folami & Amaya** (St Joseph) and **Mrs Harris**

Punctuality Update

Year Group	Yr R	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Punctuality	99%	99%	98%	97%	96%	95%	98%

World Book Day 2024

This year World Book Day falls on Thursday 7th March. Each year, we use this day to further promote the importance of reading and the joy and pleasure it can bring. This year, the classes will be completing their own World Book Day activities in school. However, we will not be asking the children to dress up. We are aware of the cost to families of potentially purchasing an outfit and additionally we already have a sports activity timetabled for the same day. The children will still be bringing home their own 'World Book Day' voucher that can be exchanged for or put towards purchasing selected books at participating stores. In addition, we will also be holding our annual book fair which will be starting on Monday 22nd April.

Prayers



We keep all our community in our thoughts and prayers. At this time we especially pray for the Rowe family whose great-grandad, or 'Gar Gar', as they affectionately called him, passed away at the end of last week. He will be greatly missed by all the family and we keep them all in our thoughts and prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen.*

Our thoughts
and prayers
are with you.



God Bless,

Mrs Delgado

Diary Dates

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 19TH – FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2024	
Tuesday 27 th Feb	Feast of St Anne Line
Wednesday 28 th February	Netball tournament Year 6 @ Alleyn Court
Thursday 29 th February	Netball tournament Year 5 @ Alleyn Court
Friday 1 st March	St David's Day
Monday 4 th March	Spring Open afternoon 3.30pm – 5.00pm
	Parent & Carer Consultation week
Sunday 17 th March	St Patrick's Day
Monday 18 th March	NHS resilience workshop for year 6
Tuesday 19 th March	Feast of St Joseph
	Lent Reconciliation service in school
Wednesday 20 th March	Key Stage 2 Assisi Cross Country
Friday 22 nd March	Science Fair in school 2.30pm ~ everyone welcome
Wb Monday 25 th March	Stations of the Cross 9am everyday ~ led by years 3 & 4
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of Spring Term
EASTER HOLIDAY ~	
GOOD FRIDAY 29TH MARCH – FRIDAY 12TH APRIL 2024	
Friday 29 th March ~ Good Friday	

Sunday 31st March ~ Easter Sunday	
Monday 15 th April	First Day of Summer Term 2023
Tuesday 16 th April	Feast of St Bernadette
Monday 22 nd April	Afternoon Tea for parents, carers, family and friends! 1pm – 3pm
Tuesday 23 rd April	St George's Day
Saturday 4 th May	Feast of St Margaret Clitherow and the 40 martyrs
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 8 th May	Reception height and weight check
Thursday 9 th May	Ascension Day ~ Mass for the children
w/b 13 th May	Year 6 SATS WEEK
Sunday 19 th May	Pentecost Sunday
Wednesday 22 nd May	Key Stage 1 Assisi Cross Country @ St Teresa's, Rochford
HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 27TH MAY – FRIDAY 31ST MAY 2024	
2 nd June	Feast of Corpus Christi
Monday 3 rd June	Children return to school
Friday 7 th June	Reception class – Learn to ride session
w/b 10 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 11 th June	KS2 Borough Sports @ Garons (morning session)
Wednesday 12 th June	Reception 2024 Induction Afternoon
Thursday 13 th June	Feast of St Anthony of Padua
Friday 14 th June	Year 4 Bikeability
Wednesday 19 th June	KS2 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Thomas More 9.30am
Thursday 20 th June	St George's Celebration Day from 9am – all families welcome
Friday 21 st June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Saturday 22 nd June	Feast of St Thomas More and St John Fisher
Monday 24 th June	INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Thursday 27 th June	KS1 Assisi Catholic Sports @ St Teresa's 10am – noon
	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school @ 2.30pm
Sunday 30 th June	Feast of St Peter and Paul
Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 5 & 6 End of Year Performance 9.15am & 6pm
Friday 5 th July	Summer Fayre
w/b 8 th July	Year 6 Residential Trip
Monday 15 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 6pm
Friday 19 th July	Last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 22ND JULY 2024	