



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

October Dates for your diary

W/c 14 th	DUE TO PARENT CONSULTATIONS THIS WEEK ALL CLUBS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF STEPS AHEAD, SOUTHEND UNITED AND TENNIS ARE CANCELLED.
Tues 15 th	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Wed 16 th	Open Afternoon & Parent consultations 3.45pm – 6pm
Thu 17 th	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Friends of St George's News ~ Annual General Meeting

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the meeting on Wednesday afternoon. I am very pleased to announce our Committee for this forthcoming year.

Chairperson ~ Annette Stapley & Vice-Chair ~ Danielle Antonie

Secretary ~ Stacey Rose Treasurer ~ Vicky Irons & Vice-Treasurer ~ Liz Packer

Year R Rep ~ Year 1 Rep ~ Sam Taylor Year 2 Rep ~ Maxine O'Connell

Year 3 Rep ~ Suzanne Richardson-Foster Year 4 Rep ~ tbc

Year 5 Rep ~ Helena Cochrane Year 6 Rep ~ Rose Mutsunge & Priya Manjaly

I look forward to working with you all this coming year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the previous committee whose hard work during the last year has proved invaluable, to the committee and to the school.

There will be a meeting in the next couple of weeks; the time and date will be confirmed once agreed.



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Mission Romania 'Joy in a box'



We are still supporting the shoebox appeal but this year we are working with Salvation Army, to support Mission Romania 'Joy in a box'. The shoebox appeal is something that St. George's supports every year and one that our children enjoy very much. We have a large quantity of shoe boxes (some which need covering) or flat pack boxes in reception so please come and help yourself.

We also have a supply of labels that need to be attached to your box. You **do not** have to pay for postage as the Salvation Army cover these costs.

- ✓ Get an empty medium sized shoebox, and wrap the box and lid separately in colourful wrapping paper. Alternatively use a ready decorated flat pack box.
- ✓ Mark on the box if your gift is for a boy or a girl and select an age category.
- ✓ Attach the label to the top of your shoebox. :
- ✓ Baby 0-1 or 1-2
- ✓ Toddler 2-3 or 3-4
- ✓ Child 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 or 11-12
- ✓ Young Adult 13-14 or 15-16
- ✓ Fill your shoebox with a selection of fun toys, sweets, gloves or woolly hat, hygiene items and school supplies. If possible, include one or two special items you know a child will love such as a doll or cuddly toy.
- ✓ If you are unable to fill a shoe box but would like to donate a couple of items we will happily fill some extra boxes in school.
- ✓ The School Council will be keeping count of the boxes.

Each box will make such a difference to a child's life. On behalf of the charity, I thank you for your support. The boxes are being collected by the Salvation Army on the morning of **Friday 25th October**.

What do I do if my child is ill or needs medication ~ a reminder for all parents

Should your child become ill during the day we will contact you and ask you (or the person named on the emergency number) to collect your child. It is important that, should a child be ill, there is somewhere he/she can go and they are picked up immediately. We do not have facilities or staff to take care of an ill child in school for long periods.

All illness should be reported on the first day. If we do not hear from you we will text you in the first instance to find out why your child is not at school. When your child returns to school after an illness please send in a letter to your child's teacher with information as to why your child was off. Children who have been away due to sickness and/or diarrhoea can only return to school **48 hours** after their last bout of stomach upset. This is in line with NHS guidance.

Medicine

Children are not allowed to bring medicine to school. There may be times when medicine may need to be administered by the parent or the parent's appointed representative during the school day and we can accommodate this. In exceptional circumstances parents may ask if

medication can be administered by school staff. When this is the case a Medical Request Form, detailing administration and dosage, must be completed and signed. The medication should be clearly named with a pharmacist prescription label and it is the parent's responsibility to collect the medicine at the end of each day. Some children will be asthmatic or have other conditions that require regular treatment. If this is the case you are requested to provide a supply of medication to be kept at school. For children in need of regular medication or those who may need emergency treatment (e.g. severe allergies) the school will have access to an Individual Health Care Plan, agreed in conjunction with the parents and health professionals. Please inform the school if your child has a serious recurring medical problem. Please ensure that you keep the office up to date on any health matters, especially allergies which relate to your child. It is the parent's responsibility to note expiry dates of medication sent in to school and replace when necessary.

First Aid

Several members of staff have a qualification in Paediatric First Aid. All staff have been trained by St. John Ambulance in "First Aid for Schools" and receive annual anaphylaxis training. Basic First Aid is given to children when necessary and a text giving details will be sent to the parent's mobile phone on that day. If your child has an allergy to plasters please send in your own alternative dressings. If a child is injured whilst in school, the injury is recorded in the accident book. If it is considered to be of a serious nature, it will be reported to the Head Teacher. Normally the injury will be dealt with in school. If an accident should happen which requires hospital treatment we will contact you immediately. If you are unavailable, the emergency number given on the admission form will be tried. It is important that the person named to be contacted in an emergency understands that they may be called upon to take full responsibility for that child in case of accident or injury.

Should it not be possible to contact you or the emergency contact, a member of staff will accompany the child to the hospital BUT they cannot give consent for any treatment (e.g. stitches). They will however, stay with the child until the parent(s) arrive.

Emergency contact information.

Please ensure that all information you provide is kept up-to-date in order for you to be contacted. This should include any health matters that may relate to your child.

Head Teacher Awards

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

Ronnie C. ~ (St Francis) ~ for really settling into school life and giving everything a go!

Samuel S. ~ (St Therese) ~ this young man is a 'no fuss, get busy with the task' character who fully engages with every activity and has super thoughtful ideas too! Well done Sam!

Albey ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for making fantastic progress in English in such a short time in year 2.

Keep up the hard work!

Alicia ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for working with concentration and great focus this week.

Jasmine ~ (St Joseph) ~ for her fantastic effort in every lesson. She is always full of enthusiasm, keen to improve and responds well to feedback. A wonderful role model in year 4.

Well done.

William & Edward ~ (St Anthony) for being outstandingly kind & helpful in computing. They were able to share their knowledge and help others. What superstars!

Lexi-Rose ~ (St Peter) ~ for consistently displaying the behaviours of an excellent learner in all areas of the curriculum. She is focused, reflective, imaginative and enthusiastic. Keep up the brilliant work Lexi.

Sports Award

Congratulations to our winners this week

Zofia (St Joseph) ~ Most improved

Harley (St Joseph) ~ Sports Performer

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated this week:

Charlotte (St Francis), Isabelle (St Elizabeth), Jasmine & Julia (St Joseph) Lily-Grace (St Peter) and Mrs Halvey

Open mornings for Reception 2020

We will be holding information sessions for parents who are thinking of applying for a place for their child in September 2020. Each session will take place from 9.30~10.30am. The dates are as follows: Thursday 7th November, Wednesday 13th November & Friday 22nd November

Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 5 for 100% attendance this week.

Running Miles

This week's results are:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Miles this week</i>	<i>Total so far</i>	<i>Travelled to....</i>
<i>Reception</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>101.5</i>	<i>Colchester</i>
<i>Year 1</i>	<i>75.5</i>	<i>370.1</i>	<i>Sheffield</i>
<i>Year 2</i>	<i>68.4</i>	<i>258.8</i>	<i>Sheffield</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>77.1</i>	<i>362.5</i>	<i>Sheffield</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>77.6</i>	<i>371.1</i>	<i>Sheffield</i>
<i>Year 5</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>395.8</i>	<i>Leeds</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>86.9</i>	<i>409.4</i>	<i>Leeds</i>

Prayers



Please remember all in our community who need your prayers at this time. Have a lovely weekend with your family. God Bless,

Mrs Delgado