



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,

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October Dates for your diary

Mon 3rd

PTA AGM @ 3.30pm in the Community Suite

First Holy Communion Parents meeting 7pm @ St George's Church

Winter Uniform

I think we can safely say that summer has now departed for another year and autumn is well and truly upon us. We will be changing from summer to winter uniform on Monday 10th October. Please note RECEPTION children continue to wear polo shirts. I have included the uniform list below. Due to the changeable weather, please make sure the children bring their coat to school everyday.



| Boys (Year 1 to 6) | Girls (Year 1 to 6) |
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| Grey trousers/shorts (as appropriate) | Plain grey pinafore/skirt or grey tailored trousers |
| White shirt ~ excluding Reception who will continue to wear their polo shirt | White shirt ~ excluding Reception who will continue to wear their polo shirt |
| <u>Grey</u> socks | <u>White</u> socks or navy tights ~ not NAVY socks |
| Black shoes | Black shoes (no heels or open toe shoes) |
| Navy school pullover | Navy school pullover or cardigan |
| School tie (elasticated in Yr 1 & 2) | School tie (elasticated in Year 1 & 2) |
| School reversible fleece jacket or a <u>plain*</u> waterproof outdoor coat (with hood) | School reversible fleece jacket or a <u>plain*</u> waterproof outdoor coat (with hood) |

Plain* means no bold logos, slogans, brand names, inappropriate symbols etc.

Annual General Meeting

Please try and make space in your diary to attend next week's Friends of St George's AGM. We need at least 30 parents to vote in the new committee. We will be supervising any children in the ICT suite during the meeting. If you would like to put yourself forward for a position, please ask the office for a form.



Race Night



Thank you to our community: staff, parents, pupils and parish, who came to support the Race Night last Saturday. It was a very enjoyable evening and the total raised was £864 which will be shared between the school and parish.

Macmillan Coffee Morning



Thank you to all the parents and children who supported the sale by donating and buying cakes today. We raised £168.40 for the charity. A huge thank you also goes to our wonderful school council for organising the event.

First Holy Communion 2017

There is a session for all parents wishing to register their child for this year's First Holy Communion programme on Monday 3rd October, 7pm, at St George's Church. Fr Brett and I will be hosting the session, which will last approximately 1hr. You will need to bring your completed form, your contribution in a named envelope and a copy of your child's baptism certificate **if they were not** baptised in this parish. The weekly sessions begin on Monday 31st October, 4-5pm, in St George's Church hall.

Alternative Christmas cards

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As you may have noticed, we have changed our Mission Statement to reflect our school community. The last part speaks of being kept safe and we have used this as the theme for our 'World Gift' this year. As an alternative to buying cards for children and staff in the school, may we suggest a contribution to a 'The Net That Protects'. If your child donates the money you would normally spend on Christmas cards for the class, they will receive a 'CAFOD card' that

they can sign and the money will go towards buying simple, treated mosquito nets which keep families safe from deadly diseases. The nets are £7 each and every donation will help us support this great cause. We will begin collecting any money from Monday 5th December. More information about Cafod World Gifts can be found on their website. Thank you in advance for your support.

Playground Reminders

The children were reminded this week that they should not be on the Adventure Playground/Trim Trail, infant or junior, before or after school. We supervise both playgrounds during school times to ensure there are no accidents. At the beginning and end of the day, this supervision is not possible, as all members of staff are ensuring that their class are collected by their parent or carer. We also ask that children do not ride their bikes or scooters on the playground as we have had accidents in the past with children and adults alike. I appreciate your support with this.

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated this week:

Charlotte (St Elizabeth)

Nadia (St Bernadette)

Ben H-C (St Anthony)

Volunteers Session

As a school we are very fortunate that parents and carers are willing to help support and supervise the children in a variety of ways. As part of our safeguarding training, I have arranged two sessions for any parent/carer who would like to help at the school: in class, on trips, at PTA events etc. You will need to attend one of the sessions to be on the volunteer register, as there have been updates in procedures and policies for keeping children safe. If you are attending during the day time, I ask that you come in through the front office. If you are attending the evening session, please use the staff car park and enter the school via the Community Suite entrance to the side of the building. Each session will last between 30 – 45 minutes. Could you please contact the office to confirm which session you will be attending. The dates and times are Tuesday 11th October 7pm and Wednesday 12th October 9am.

Head Teacher Awards

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

Georgina ~ (St Francis) ~ for excellent focused writing

Charlie ~ (St Therese) ~ for focussing well in all maths lessons this week

Ted ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for reflecting on his writing and making excellent improvements

Charlie ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for perseverance in his reading comprehension work and trying his best

Michael ~ (St Joseph) ~ for being a responsible learner and a fantastic role model

Lily ~ (St Anthony) ~ for persevering with a smile, even when she faces challenges!

Finley ~ (St Peter) ~ for working incredibly hard and showing focus and perseverance. Well done!

Sports Award

The winners of this week's sports awards are:

Most Improved ~ **Emily A.** (St Peter) Performer of the week ~ **Anna** (St Peter)



Mercy Awards

Well done to the children recognised for their compassion and mercy this week.

Charlotte, Ted, Isabelle, Marley, Dan, Poppy, Grace, Oliver, Francesca & Elliot G.

for hosting this morning's cake sale to raise money for the MacMillan charity

Finley (St Peter) ~ for administering First Aid without being asked and then asking an adult to check if everything was okay

Casey (St Elizabeth) ~ for giving up his lunchtime to support a friend at lunchtime

Joseph (St Francis) ~ for being very kind and supportive of children in his class

Diary Dates

We have added Class Mass and Class celebration dates to the diary. Whilst they are on the calendar of events, these dates may be subject to change as Father Brett may have an emergency which couldn't have been predicted at the time of publishing. We will, of course, endeavour to let parents and families know of any changes as soon as possible.

Open mornings for Reception 2017

We will be holding information sessions for parents who are thinking of applying for a place for their child in September 2017. Each session will take place from 9.30~10.30am and will include a talk from the Headteacher, a tour of the school and the opportunity to ask questions.

The dates are as follows:

Wednesday 2nd November

Tuesday 8th November

Thursday 17th November

Year R Admissions ~ September 2017

Applications can be submitted to the Local Authority from 14th September 2016 to 15th January 2017. The form can be downloaded from the council website at:

<http://www.southend.gov.uk/admissions/>. Please note that a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) must be completed, which is available from the school. If you are a practicing Catholic, please contact the church to make an appointment to see Father Brett to obtain your Certificate of Practice to support your application.

The Supplementary Information Form is to be returned to the school and the priest will return the certificate of practice. Both of these must be submitted by 22nd January 2017

Year 7 Admissions for Catholic Secondary School September 2017

Please contact the church to make an appointment to see Father Brett to obtain your Certificate of Practice to support your application.

Head Lice

Head lice is a very common problem in the UK, especially among school children and should be seen as nothing more than an unpleasant inconvenience that can be treated. Parents will always be informed by a generic text if there has been a case in their child's class. It is vital that you check your child's hair and treat it if necessary.

Code Club

Do you have a favourite computer game? Would you like to learn how to make your own computer games? At Code Club you can learn how to make cool games, animations and websites too! Westcliff Library Code Club is a New and Free coding club for children aged 9~11 to build and share their ideas, learning along the way. It starts Wednesday 12th October, 4.30pm~6pm. For information and to book a place contact Toby Evans on 01702 534123 or tobyevans@southend.gov.uk

Rainbows

If your child is struggling through a painful experience, and you would like any further information on how we could support them, through group mediation, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Delgado or your child's class teacher.



Altar Servers

Training for new altar servers will commence Sunday 9th October after the 10.45am Mass at St George's Church. It is open to anyone who has made their First Holy Communion.

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

Diary Dates

*New dates

| <u>Date:</u> | <u>Event:</u> |
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| Tuesday 4 th October | *Year 1 Class Celebration 2.30pm @ school |
| Monday 10 th October | * CHANGE TO WINTER UNIFORM |
| Tuesday 11 th October | Volunteer Session 7pm @ school |
| Wednesday 12 th October | Volunteer Session 9am @ school |
| Thursday 13 th October | Year 2 Class Assembly 9am |
| | Year 5 Class Trip |
| w/b Monday 17 th October | Parent Consultations |
| Monday 17 th October | *Harvest Mass in school 2.30pm |
| Tuesday 18 th October | *Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Friday 21 st October | INSET Day ~ School closed to children |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 24TH – FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2016 | |
| Monday 31 st October | First Holy Communion programme begins 4-5pm in St George's Church Hall |
| Tuesday 1 st November | *All Saints Day Mass 9.15am @ St George's Church |

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| Wednesday 2nd November | Info. Meeting for Prospective Parents ~ Year R 2017 9.30am |
| Thursday 3rd November | Year 5 Class Trip |
| Tuesday 8th November | Info. Meeting for Prospective Parents ~ Year R 2017 9.30am |
| | Year 3 Class Celebration 2.30pm @ school |
| Wednesday 9th November | Individual School photographs |
| Friday 11th November | Remembrance Assembly led by Year 6 @ 10.40am ~ Everyone is welcome |
| Tuesday 15th November | *Year 5 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Thursday 17th November | Info. Meeting for Prospective Parents ~ Year R 2017 9.30am |
| Friday 18th November | Flu Immunisation ~ more details to follow |
| Tuesday 22nd November | *Year 4 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Thursday 24th November | Year 3 Class Assembly 9am |
| Thursday 1st December | Year 4 Class Assembly 9am |
| Thursday 8th December | Year 6 trip to Harry Potter World |
| Monday 12th December | Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (2pm) |
| Tuesday 13th December | Year R Nativity (9.30am) |
| | Year 1 & 2 Performance (7pm) No siblings below secondary age |
| Wednesday 14th December | Year R Nativity (9.30am) |
| | Carol Concert 7pm at St George's Church |
| Tuesday 20th December | Children's Christmas Lunch |
| Wednesday 21st December | Last day of Autumn Term |
| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER – WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2017 | |
| Thursday 5th January | First Day of Spring Term 2017 |
| Thursday 2nd February | Year 2 Class Assembly 9am |
| Thursday 9th February | Year 1 Class Assembly 9am |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2017 | |
| Wednesday 1st March | *Ash Wednesday 9.30am @ St George's Church |
| Thursday 9th March | Year 3 Class Assembly |
| w/b Monday 13th March | Parent Consultations |
| Thursday 23rd March | Year R Class Assembly 9am |
| Thursday 30th March | Year 5 Class Assembly 9am |
| Friday 31st March | Last day of Spring Term ~ *End of Term Mass 2pm @ School |
| EASTER HOLIDAY MONDAY 3RD – MONDAY 17TH APRIL 2017 | |
| Tuesday 18th April | First Day of Summer Term 2017 |
| Tuesday 25th April | Easter Celebration led by years 3 & 4 7pm in school |
| w/b Monday 8th May | SATS week for Year 6 |
| Thursday 18th May | Year 1 Class Assembly 9am |
| Saturday 20th May | First Holy Communion Mass 2016 TBC |
| Saturday 27th May | First Holy Communion Mass 2016 TBC |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 29TH MAY – FRIDAY 2ND JUNE 2017 | |

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| Sun 4 th – Wed 7 th June | Year 6 Residential Trip |
| Tuesday 6 th June | *Year 3 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Tuesday 13 th June | *Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Thursday 15 th June | Year R Class Assembly 9am |
| Friday 16 th June | INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS |
| Monday 19 th June | INSET DAY ~ SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS |
| Tuesday 20 th June | *Year 5 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Thursday 22 nd June | Year 4 Class Assembly 9am |
| Thursday 29 th June | Feast of St Peter & St Paul Mass TBC |
| Friday 30 th June | ST GEORGE'S CELEBRATION DAY |
| Tuesday 11 th July | *Year 4 Class Mass 2.30pm @ school |
| Monday 17 th July | Year 6 Leavers Mass |
| Wednesday 19 th July | Years 5 & 6 Summer Performance 2pm & 7pm (no younger siblings at the evening performance) |
| Friday 21 st July | Last day of term *End of Term Mass 2pm @ School |
| SUMMER HOLIDAY MONDAY 24TH JULY 2017 | |

PRIVACY NOTICE TEMPLATE
for
Pupils in Schools and Children in Early Years Settings

Privacy Notice - Data Protection Act 1998

We **St George's Catholic Primary School** are a data controller for the purposes of the Data Protection Act 1998. We collect personal information from you and may receive information about you from your previous school and the Learning Records Service. We hold this personal information to:

- Support your teaching and learning;
- Monitor and report on your progress;
- Provide appropriate pastoral care, and
- Assess how well we are doing.

Personal information about you that we hold includes your contact details, national curriculum assessment results, attendance information¹ and sensitive personal information which includes personal characteristics such as your ethnic group, any special educational needs you may have and relevant medical information.

We will not share your personal information without your consent unless the law and our policies allow us to.

We are required by law to pass some information about you to our Local Authority (LA) and the Department for Education.

If you want to receive a copy of the information about you that we hold or share, please contact the Office and speak to Mrs Russell or Mrs O' Shea.

If you need more information about how the LA and DfE store and use your information, then please go to the following websites:

www.southend.gov.uk or

<http://www.education.gov.uk/researchandstatistics/datatdatam/b00212337/datause>

If you cannot access these websites, please contact the LA or DfE as follows:

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Southend-on-Sea Borough Council
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Victoria Avenue
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Ministerial and Public Communications Division
Department for Education
Piccadilly Gate
Store Street
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M1 2WD

Website: www.education.gov.uk
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