



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,

Act of Remembrance

They shall not grow old
As we who are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning
We will remember them



**"When you go home, tell them of us and say,
For their tomorrow, we gave our today"**

We think of all families whose lives have been affected by the loss of loved ones due to war. We especially pray for all the service men and women who gave their today for our tomorrow. Thank you Year 6 for leading our Remembrance assembly this morning.

Sat 11 th	Parish Firework Night – 7.30pm
Tue 14 th	Year 4 Class Mass ~ 2pm in school
Wed 15 th	Open morning for Reception 2018 parents
Thu 16 th	Individual and family photos
Fri 17 th	Children In Need Day ~ Pyjamas or Onesies for Pudsey
Sun 19 th	First Holy Communion 2018 Calling Mass 10.45am St George's Church
Mon 20 th	Non uniform Day ~ Donations for the Christmas Fayre please Infant children ~ jar of sweets and junior children ~ bottle of drink
Tues 21 st	Year 5 Class Mass – 2pm
Thurs 23 rd	Year 3 Class Assembly – 9.00am
Sat 25 th	Christmas Fayre – 12-3
Tue 28 th	Year 3 Class Celebration ~ 2pm
Thu 30 th	Year 4 Class Assembly ~ 9.00am

Parish Firework Display

HCPT 192 together with the Parish are holding a Firework Display this Saturday in the grounds of St Gregory's Church, Thorpe Bay. The proceeds from the evening will be divided between the two groups. The display starts at 7.30pm, food (burgers, hotdogs, mulled wine, hot chocolate, tea & coffee) will be served from 6.30pm. Mrs Fitchew will also be selling her famous sweets. Tickets are not required, nor fireworks, we just ask for a donation on the gate.

National Young Mathematicians Award 2017

This week four of our Year 6 pupils: **Isabel, Gabriel, Ben and Rose**, participated in this nationwide event to award the Young Mathematicians of the year. They had to complete investigative maths tasks as a team, relying not only on their problems solving abilities but also their communication and organisational skills. We look forward to finding out if they have progressed to the next round. They were fantastic representatives of the school and we thank them for being such active participants. Well done to all of you.

Nativity Plays 2017

At the end of this term, the infants will be performing their Nativity plays. This year's ticket allocation has changed from previous years. Each child will be allocated two seats for each performance. We would appreciate if you could indicate if you require the tickets. You can request spare tickets and we will endeavour to accommodate you if any tickets are returned. Each ticket has an **ALLOCATED ROW AND NUMBER** which means that you will have an allocated seat. The seat will be allocated in the order that the return slips are handed in. Year 2 will be allocated seating on the front three rows and year 1, the rows behind. Can I remind all parents that primary age or younger siblings are **not** allowed to the evening performance.

Deanery Football & Netball Tournament

Yesterday, seven boys & nine girls from Years 5 & 6 represented St George's at this year's Deanery tournament. The children were fantastic, not only in their play but their sportsmanship and behaviour. Congratulations to the football team who were presented with bronze for third place. Well done to:

Football: **Callum, Todd, George, Ben R, Christian, Aidan & Oliver S.**

Netball: **Maisie, Isabel, Grace M-C, Olivia, Rose, Lily, Daisy, Chantelle & Grace R.**

Year 5 Walk It!

Year 5 participated in 'Walk It' this week, an initiative designed to keep the children safe when crossing roads etc. The children were given practical advice and lots of interesting facts about possible dangers on the road.

'We were told that it would take around 23 metres for a car to stop on a dry road. The instructor then explained the key things when crossing the road: **STOP! LOOK! LISTEN and THINK!** We then practised crossing the road remembering what we had been taught that morning.'

Adam (St Anthony)

Poppy Visit

Yesterday Year 2 had a great morning visiting the Southend Festival of Remembrance. Earlier in the year each child made a clay poppy for the exhibition along with many other children from several schools. The children visited the Cenotaph where they listened to the Last Post being played. They were then treated to a cup of hot chocolate! Many thanks to Mrs Gillett for organising this with Beth Hooper. Also thank you to our fantastic parent helpers: Mr Case, Mrs Staunton, Mrs Nathan and Mr Lish.

Head Teachers Awards

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

Edward ~ (St Francis) ~ for being a superstar at all things

Eva ~ (St Therese) ~ for wowing us with her responsible and enthusiastic attitude to her learning at school. She has persevered with her reading and is making super progress

Nate ~ (St Elizabeth) ~ for great imagination and progress in his written work

Zofia ~ (St Bernadette) ~ for her independent learning and responsible attitude in school

Lily-Grace ~ (St Joseph) ~ for demonstrating how to be a good learner everyday, particularly in maths this week. Lily-Grace has shown commitment and determination to improve in our 'Time' topic.

Georgia ~ (St Anthony) ~ for her consistent hard work and responsible attitude to learning.

Keep up the amazing work!

St Peter's Class ~ for leading the school in Remembrance

Bronze reading Awards

Congratulations to the children who have been awarded their bronze certificate for 50 reads this week:

Samuel S. (St Therese)

Harry L., Ocean, Isla & Ernie (St Elizabeth)

Jessica, Jason, William, Natalia & Daisy (St Bernadette)

James, Charlie & Lexi-Rose (St Joseph)

Maddie & Adam (St Anthony)

Olivia, Todd, Maisie & Henry (St Peter)

Times tables challenge

This afternoon Mr Sims handed out the first batch of bronze awards to the children who demonstrated excellent recall of the 2,5 and 10 times table. Congratulations to:

Harley, Edward, Liwia, Jessica & Stanley (St Bernadette)

Marley, Morten, Eliana, Holly, Lily-Grace, Lucy, Sian, Declan, Alex, Freddie, Lexi-Rose, Nadia,

Eden, Joseph, Regan, Ruby & Lily (St Joseph)

Frankie, Florence, Aidan, Oliver By., Georgia, Adele, Maddie, Murphy, Chantelle, Adam, Maia,

Grace, Ewan, Gabriel & Michael (St Anthony)

Henry B., Maisie, Christian, Todd, Markus, Isabel, Maddy, Lily, Haydn, Gabriel, Henry F., Holly,

Ben H-C., Louie, Brian, George, Jessica, Andrew, Grace, Hugh, Laurence, Olivia, Callum, Alex,

Oliver, India & Rose (St Peter)

Birthdays

Congratulations to everyone who has celebrated this week:

Elicia (St Elizabeth), **Harley** (St Bernadette) & **Oliver By.** (St Anthony)
And **Mrs Marquis**

Sports Award

Congratulations to our winners this week.

Christian (St Peter) ~ Performer of the week

Olivia (St Peter) ~ Most improved in school sports

School photos

Just a reminder that the school's photographer will be in school on **Thursday 16TH NOVEMBER** for individual and family group pictures. If you have any pre-school children that you would like to be included with their siblings, please come to the front entrance from 8.30am.

Calling all artists!!

We are looking for some budding designers to create the front page for the Christmas Fayre programme. Some of the stalls we have are: Father Christmas in the Grotto, Cake sale, hot dogs, Chocolate Tombola, Teddy Tombola, Sweets and Hoop a Jar, Santa Key hunt, Toys and Books and Arts and Crafts. Deadline for entries is MONDAY 20TH NOVEMBER.

BBC Children in Need

Don't forget 'Children in Need Day' on Friday 17th November. We will be raising money for the charity by inviting all children (and adults!) to dress in their pyjamas or onesies for the day. The children do not need to wear uniform but we do ask that they are suitably dressed for the weather! There will be a donation bucket in the playground for all children who wish to participate.

School Nurse

The school nurse will be holding a drop in session for parents on Wednesday 22nd November from 9.00-11.00am. This will give you the opportunity to discuss any health issues or concerns that you may have in relation to your child. The school nurse is able to support you in issues such as height and weight, eating, sleeping, hearing, vision and bedwetting. There is no need to book an appointment, just drop in and wait.

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.



Prayers



Please remember all in our community.

God Bless,

Mrs Delgado