



St. George's
Catholic Primary School

In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and his way

School Newsletter

Newsletter 5

Autumn Term 2025

Thursday 2 October

Headteacher: Mr P O'Rourke
Deputy Heads: Mrs C McGivern
Mrs S Hukowski
Assistant Head: Mrs L Byfield
SENCo: Mrs J Burke

Our School Houses

St Thérèse of Lisieux

Blue

St Oscar Romero

Red

St Francis of Assisi

Yellow

St Josephine Bakhita

Green

This Week's Merits

Each week, teachers nominate children in their class to receive a special merit. This could be in recognition for working hard, achieving something particular, being a good friend, or any number of reasons that show that they are living up to the school motto - 'In everything we do today, we are following Jesus and his way.' The following children have been chosen by their teachers (CM = Class Merit).

Class	Name of children
RG	
RS	
1K	Lincoln, Maeve
1W	Orla, Eliot
2B	Emilie, Elijah
2GB	Amelia B, Ava
3A	Alanna, Gyima
3M	CM
4DS	Harrison, Niall
4OS	Victorious, Orla
4P	Alba, Lorenzo
5B	Mass at Church
5CN	Mass at Church
5S	Mass at Church
6B	Owen, Clíodhna
6K	Flynn, Danny
6W	Lily, Carissa
Music	Nicolas (6W)

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Next Week in School

Friday 3 October

Year 4 lead Mass at Church
Feat Day of St Francis of Assisi

Tuesday 7 October

Year 4 children Write2Speak (Dugdale)
Governor committee meeting

Wednesday 8 October

Year 3/4 Aim High Writing Day
6K Class Assembly
Year 2 visit Church

Thursday 9 October

Gymnastics taster sessions

Friday 10 October

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Our school's spiritual journey continued beautifully this week with 6B reciting a decade of the Rosary in our Rosary Garden, bathed in autumn sunshine and accompanied by parents. I encourage all families to consult the rota on our website to learn when your child will participate in this traditional devotion.

Well done to Year 5, who led mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George with remarkable expertise last Friday, demonstrating their continued spiritual development.

I was particularly impressed by the wonderful parental engagement at our Year 1 curriculum meeting on Monday. These collaborative sessions are crucial in supporting your child's educational journey and reinforcing learning at home.

Year 4 pupils are currently immersed in exciting Write2Speak workshops every Tuesday morning. Next Tuesday they will showcase their newfound skills at a special event hosted at the Dugdale Theatre, a wonderful initiative organised by the Enfield Town School Partnership.

Our Little Owls pre-school music group has started up again, and booking is available via the link in this newsletter. Mr Cox, our music teacher, has crafted a range of inspiring and engaging musical activities. This group is open not just to our school community but to the wider local area, so please help us spread the word. Please speak to Mr Cox or Mrs Hukowski if you require further information.

All pupils will experience gymnastics taster sessions with Dance Stables next Thursday or Friday. This presents a fantastic opportunity for our pupils, and some will even be chosen to represent the school in an upcoming gymnastics festival designed for children who do not typically attend gymnastics clubs.

Lastly, I extend sincere gratitude for your support of the flu vaccine programme conducted in school on Monday. St George's continues to maintain an impressively high participation rate.

""Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary."

(St Francis of Assisi)

feast day Saturday 4 October

Little Owl's Music

Come and join Ben our music teacher and Oakley the Owl
for our toddler music and movement class.

Little Owl's Music is packed with age-appropriate singing, action songs, puppets instruments and bubbles! Our classes will introduce your toddler to fun and educational themes such as animals, transport, the weather, using nursery rhymes, props and action songs to get everyone involved!

Sessions will be held every Wednesday 2:30pm-3:15pm
in the Music Room (Entrance via Gordon Rd Gate at 2:25pm)

Please book your place on [Happity](https://www.happity.co.uk).

<https://www.happity.co.uk/little-owl-s-music-st-george-s-catholic-primary-school>

For more information see www.st-georges.enfield.sch.uk (Parents tab)

Sessions cost £7 (£5 for second child) Book a block of 6 and only pay for 5!

Sessions are appropriate for confident walkers -3 year olds

We are now taking
block bookings for
this term!

Meeting with the clergy for completion of Certificates of Catholic Practice - Secondary School applications only

The clergy will be available in the Parish Centre (at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George, London Road, Enfield) on the following days:

Saturday 4th October from 3-5pm and Sunday 5th October from 3-5pm

Please note that this is a different way that the Parish are using for completion of certificates and no individual appointments may be booked.

Feast Days

This week, we are celebrating two important feast days for our house patron saints.

Yesterday, pupils in St Therese house came to school smartly dressed in blue. They enjoyed a special liturgy and an extra playtime together as a house. It was wonderful to see families of all ages coming together to support the celebration.

Tomorrow, it will be the turn of St Francis of Assisi house. We kindly ask that all pupils in this house wear yellow to school to mark the feast day of their patron saint.

These special occasions offer our pupils a valuable opportunity to reflect spiritually on the life and example of their house patron saint. They also help to foster a strong sense of belonging within each house and deepen our pupils' connection to our school values.

Thank you for your support in helping us make these celebrations meaningful for all our pupils.

Upcoming Dates

Advance warning of some key school dates. The school calendar is constantly updated on the school website, under the parents information section.

October

Fri 3rd	Year 4 lead 10am Mass at Church St Francis Feast Day
Tues 7th	Yr 4 'Write to Speak' event (Dugdale) 5pm Boys' Football league (Enfield Grammar)
Weds 8th	6K Celebration of the Word Assembly
Thurs 9th	Gymnastics tasters
Fri 10th	Gymnastics tasters
Tues 14th	Open afternoon for prospective parents
Weds 15th	School council visit Houses of Parliament
Friday 17th	Borough Cross Country competition (Yr 5/6)
Weds 22nd	Harvest Festival
Fri 24th	Non-uniform day for The Passage School Closes for Half Term

November

Mon 3rd	School reopens Book Look week
Fri 7th	Year 3 lead 10am Mass at Church
Mon 10th	Parent Consultations (online)
Weds 12th	Parent Consultations (face to face)
Weds 19th	Image Theatre

Please consult the calendar section of our school website where dates for the year ahead are continually updated.

Driving Test

As we all share the responsibility of keeping our pupils safe, I kindly ask that if you drive to school, you park carefully and considerately. Unfortunately, there have been several reports of unsafe or inconsiderate parking around the school, which not only puts our children's safety at risk but can also affect how our school is viewed in the local community.

Please ensure you park legally and safely, keeping clear of driveways, crossings, and areas where children walk. Additionally, I ask that we all treat each other with respect and kindness — this means avoiding any swearing or disrespectful behaviour if frustrations arise during busy times. By working together and showing consideration on the roads and towards one another, we can create a safe and welcoming environment for everyone at St George's.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Authorising absences

We want to inform you that, in line with government guidance and to help improve attendance across the school, we will be authorising term time absences only in exceptional circumstances from now on. This means that requests for holidays during term time will rarely be approved.

Since the pandemic, attendance rates have declined nationally, including here at St George's Catholic Primary School. Good attendance is vital for your child's learning and wellbeing, so we are committed to working with families to ensure pupils are in school as much as possible. Exceptional circumstances might include situations such as serious family illness or other urgent matters. If you are unsure whether your absence request will be authorised, please contact the school office for guidance or refer to our attendance policy on the school website.

Our Educational Welfare Officer is also working closely with us to support families and help improve attendance, ensuring every pupil has the best chance to succeed.

We understand that this may be disappointing for some families, especially as travel costs can be lower during term time. However, we appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we prioritise your child's education.

If you have any questions or need support regarding attendance, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Uniform

Please ensure that you label each item of school uniform with your child's name, particularly jumpers/ cardigans and coats. The children often remove these items during playtimes. If they forget to collect them, a named item will get back to them. Please take the time to ensure that all jumpers, cardigans and coats are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Pedals at the ready!

Get set for Cycle to School Week 2025, taking place from Monday 13 to Friday 17 October!

As a school we have taken the opportunity to be part of a movement to get more children cycling to school, building healthy habits and helping the environment.

Cycle to School Week is a national celebration that encourages families, pupils and schools to discover the benefits of cycling to school.

Please, however, choose safe routes and take extreme care around the busy Enfield streets. I see lots of families pedalling in together, so please take care of one another and enjoy the fresh air safely.

Design competition

Decorate a rider and cycle, and the local authority transport team will choose one to be included on their Cycle to School Week 2026 poster!



The Rosary

October is the month of the Holy Rosary and the children pray this special devotion in the Rosary Garden.

The rota is available on the school website so that you will know when it is your child's turn: ['about us > our Catholic school'](#).

Please come and join us when it is your child's turn. Enter school via the Gordon Road gate and make your way to the school hall. The Rosary Garden is found through a door to the right. The Rosary begins at 3.25pm and will finish in time for you to collect your child and any siblings in other classes.

Sharing the Rosary with your children in a meaningful way to support your child's spiritual development and creates a special memory.

Come and join us next week:

Friday 3rd October The Sorrowful Mysteries
The Agony in the Garden **6W**

Monday 6th October The Joyful Mysteries
The Annunciation **5B**

Tuesday 7th October The Sorrowful Mysteries
The Scourging at the Pillar **5CN**

Wednesday 8th October The Glorious Mysteries
The Ascension **5S**

Thursday 9th October The Mysteries of Light
The Wedding at Cana **4DS**

Friday 10th October The Sorrowful Mysteries
The Crowning with thorns **4OS**



RADIO MARIA
ENGLAND

Thank you to all of the children who took part in the Radio Maria competition. We had a fantastic range of entries for the Broadcasting and Poem, Song and Spoken Word competition. It was lovely to see how the children have lived out the lines from our School Hymn, *'The talents you gave, I'll use not save, to show them to the world.'* Good luck to all of the entries and we will share the outcomes with you once we hear back from the judges.