



St. George's
Catholic Primary School

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

School Newsletter

Newsletter 2

Spring Term 2026

Thursday 15 January

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	House Points	
St Thérèse of Lisieux	206	Blue
St Oscar Romero	284	Red
St Francis of Assisi	245	Yellow
St Josephine Bakhita	222	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	Cian, Joy
RS	Lennon, Bella
1K	Phoenix, Leonardo
1W	Bessy, Adaora
2B	Geo, Harry
2GB	Lucca, Mateo
3A	CM
3M	CM
4DS	Leo, Arti
4OS	Princess, Matthew
4P	Évangeline, Yavuz
5B	Maxwell, Nevaeh
5CN	Christine, Sophia
5S	Ayva, Callum
6B	Sean, Le Roux
6K	Harrison, Flynn
6W	Dylan, Kiara
Music	Simife (2GB), Luca (6W)

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Next Week in School

Wednesday 21 January
4OS Celebration of the Word Assembly

Friday 23 January
RG Stay and Paly

What a lovely week of celebration of our faith we have enjoyed. On Friday morning, we were privileged to welcome Aisling Griffin from Pax Mundi, who led our 'Solidarity and Peace' assemblies. Working with 'Pax Mundi', she explored different dimensions of peace with the children - personal, interpersonal, and global. Our pupils demonstrated remarkable maturity, offering extremely thoughtful responses throughout her presentation. We extend our sincere gratitude to Aisling for travelling from Northampton to share her insights with us. A photograph with our house captains can be found below.

Our pupils continue to inspire our school's Catholic life. This morning, 6W led our first Celebration of the Word assembly for parents, setting a high standard for future presentations. Next week, 4OS will take their turn. I encourage everyone to regularly consult our 'Upcoming Dates' section of the newsletter and school website calendar to stay informed about important dates and class events.

Today marks the admission deadline for admission into reception classes in September 2026, and I want to emphasise that it is not too late for families considering their primary school options. With currently low pupil numbers in London, we need to ensure that families are aware of all that St George's can offer. Our recent outstanding Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 outcomes, two exceptional inspection reports, and - most importantly - our incredible children, wonderful teachers and incredibly supportive school community make St George's an extremely attractive educational choice.

I also draw your attention to our annual collection for the homeless at the parish. Please note the separate article detailing the most needed items and consider supporting this vital community initiative.

Lastly, we look forward to welcoming Tony back to work following his injury next week and extend our appreciation to Gideon for maintaining the school during his absence.



"Example makes a much greater impression on the mind and heart than just words." (St John Baptist de la Salle)

Radio Maria

You will remember that we were recently thrilled to share the fantastic news that several of our pupils created winning entries in the recent Radio Maria competition. Their creativity and hard work really stood out!

As part of their celebration, the winners enjoyed a special visit to the Radio Maria studios last term, where they were interviewed by one of the presenters. It was an exciting opportunity for them to share their experiences and be recognised for their achievements.

You can read more about their success in the article on [Radio Maria's website](#).

We are incredibly proud of our talented pupils and look forward to more wonderful accomplishments in the future!

Mini Marathon Thanks

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all families who applied for the London Mini-Marathon 2026 places. Due to the overwhelming response, the places that were offered on a first come, first served basis, filled very quickly.

Sharing this opportunity through the school newsletter was the fairest and most equitable way to ensure all families were informed.

As there are a number of children placed on the waiting list, please be aware that it is very important that parents of those with a place notify us promptly if you are unable to take it up. This will allow us to offer the spot to another eager participant. I will also keep informed if any places become available from the organisers nearer to the event.

Thank you for your understanding and support!

TT Rock Stars

We would like to extend a **WELL DONE** to all students who participated in the recent **Times Tables Rockstars Challenge** alongside other local partnership schools in Enfield.

- *St George's achieved 2nd place for the most correct answers overall.*
- *Class 4P secured 3rd place and 5CN came in 6th place within our partnership schools for the best class average of correct answers.*
- *The most valuable players for St George's were: Igor B (4P), Jayden J (5CN), and Sebastian D (4P).*
- *Notably, Igor and Jayden also made the Top Ten players list for all partnership schools, coming in 6th and 9th place respectively.*

Our TTRockStars Leaderboard for in-house competition over the last seven days is as follows:

Year 3: Tymon D (3A), Zoe B (3A) and Travis S (3A)

Year 4: Sebastian D (4P), Hugo W (4DS) and Zachary J (4OS)

Year 5/6: Liam D (5CN), Jayden J (5CN) and Cara S (6B)

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement in helping our students excel in their learning. Great work everyone!

Our annual **NSPCC Numbers Day** will be coming up on Friday 13 February - so get ready to **Dress Like a Digit** or a **TTRockStar!**

Upcoming Dates

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

January 2026

Weds 21st 4OS Celebration of the Word assembly
Fri 23rd RG Stay and Play
Mon 26th Reception/ Year 6 Height and weight check
Weds 28th 5CN Celebration of the Word assembly
Fri 30th RS Stay and Play

February 2026

Tues 3rd Girls' football (Enfield Grammar) 4pm
Weds 4th 3A Celebration of the Word assembly
Thurs 5th Year 3 visit to St Albans
Fri 6th RG Stay and Play
Feast of St Josephine Bakhita
Tues 10th Girls' football (Enfield Grammar) 4pm
Weds 11th Photographs - individual and siblings
Thurs 12th 4DS Celebration of the Word assembly
Fri 13th Numbers Day
School closes for Half Term
Mon 23rd School reopens
Tues 24th Girls' football (Enfield Grammar) 4pm
Weds 25th Young Voices (O2 Arena)
Fri 27th Spirituality Day
Special 'Marys Meals' Assembly
Year 6 lead Mass at Church 10am

March 2026

Weds 4th 4P Celebration of the Word assembly
Fri 6th Year 5 lead Mass at Church 10am
Year 3/4 Cross Country (Lea Valley)
Tues 10th Science workshops in school
Weds 11th Science workshops in school
Thurs 12th 2GB Celebration of the Word assembly
Fri 13th Year 4 lead Mass at Church 10am
Mon 16th Parent Consultations (online)
Year 6 reconciliation at church
Tues 17th Year 5 reconciliation at church
Weds 18th Year 4 reconciliation at church
Thurs 19th Parent Consultations (face to face)

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

Admissions

Admissions Deadline for Nursery and Reception – Thursday 15 January 2026

If your child is due to start Nursery or Reception at St George's Catholic Primary School in September 2026, please ensure you submit your application by the deadline of **Thursday 15 January 2026**.

How to Apply:

- **Nursery Applications:** Please complete the [nursery application](#) form available on our school website.
- **Reception Applications:** Applications for Reception places must be made through the [Enfield Admissions](#) website. In addition to the online application, please provide any required supporting documents directly to the school. Further details and guidance on the application process and required documents can be found on our school website.

Submitting your application on time will help avoid any delays or complications. Please visit [our website](#) or contact the school office if you need any assistance with the application process.

Collection for the homeless

Sunday 1st February

A message from our parish Justice and Peace Group

Our annual parish collection of goods for London's homeless will take place in aid of the Manna Society at all Masses during the weekend of Sunday 1st Feb.

The [Manna Society](http://www.mannasociety.org.uk) at London Bridge provides daily meals for London's many homeless people together with shower facilities and clothing. They have volunteer doctors, dentists and chiropodists who offer their services free of charge.

The day centre needs the following items:

Food: (only non-perishable), Sugar, Tins of: Chopped ham, meat, fish & corned beef, baked beans, tomatoes. Pasta Sauces, Basmati rice, Coffee and Orange squash.

Other: Deodorants, Shaving foam, & disposable razors. (un-opened)

Please note - No Clothing or other items this year.

Please bring your donations to the usual area back of the Church at Masses during the weekend of Sunday 1st Feb weekend. The goods will be taken direct to the Manna Day centre, on Monday 2nd Feb morning. Help would be appreciated, sorting donated goods into crates after each Mass. Many thanks for your generosity

The Justice and Peace Group



**Day centre for homeless people
and those in need**

Most needed items

FOOD

Sugar
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Rice

(Basmati or easy-cook)

Pasta Sauces
Baked Beans
Cheddar Cheese
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats
Fish
Soup

DRINKS

Coffee
Dilutable drinks

TOILETRIES

Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Disposable razors

MISCELLANEOUS

**2nd hand mobile phones
& chargers**
Novels
Oyster cards
(Unregistered preferably)

www.mannasociety.org.uk