



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

School Newsletter

Newsletter 1

Summer Term 2022

Thursday 8 September 2022

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Our Mission Statement

Following Jesus and His way, we

Aim to be the best we can be and to respect everyone. We

Inspire each other to learn, play and pray

Together as children, staff, home and Parish. We grow in

Holiness by putting Love into Action every day.

Our School Houses

St Therese of Lisieux

Blue

St Oscar Romero

Red

St Francis of Assisi

Yellow

St Josephine Bakhita

Green

Our School Uniform

Boys

Winter

White shirt

Grey trousers

Navy V neck jumper

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (no trainers or boots)

Navy and gold tie

Summer

Grey trousers

White short sleeved shirt and tie, or

White Polo shirt.

Girls

Winter

White blouse

Grey tunic, skirt or trousers

Navy V neck jumper or cardigan

White socks or navy tights

Sensible black shoes (no trainers or boots)

Navy and gold tie.

Summer

Light blue and white checked dress, or

white polo shirt

grey skirt.

Summer uniform can be worn until October half term

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A warm welcome back to the start of a new school year. I hope that your summer break was restful and enjoyable, and that any holidays were stress free.

Tomorrow year 6 will be leading our start of year Mass from our parish church. I hope as many families as possible will be able to join us via the parish live stream facility, or by joining year 6 at church. Mass will begin at 10am.

Our revised 'soft start' has now been in operation for a whole school year, with the children being dropped off from 8:45am. I have included some important reminders in this newsletter so please take a moment to read through them. Lessons begin at 9am.

Being distributed with this newsletter is an attachment from our wonderful 'Helping Hands'. It is an outline of the success of the summer fair, and we are so appreciative of all the hard work that was dedicated to making it so wonderful.

The teachers have been busy planning interesting and exciting learning experiences for the children. Outlines of the learning will be available on the school website very soon so that you can support them with their learning.

School Places for September 23

The Governors invite applications from the parents of children born between 1st September, 2018 and the 31st August 2019.

Parents need to complete:

1. The application to the London Borough of Enfield (online).
2. The supplementary information form from our website, please download, complete and email to us. Please include in your email a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.
3. A certificate of Catholic Practice. To obtain this, please visit the Parish website www.catholicoenfield.org and follow their instructions.

Come and visit us? Please call our school office to arrange a school tour.

Whilst the Borough application is completed online, the three other forms should be submitted to the school together via email to admin@st-georges.enfield.sch.uk
Closing Date for Admissions: 15th January 2022.
For further information, please contact the school office on 0208 363 3729

Applications across Enfield were significantly less this year, to compound lower numbers of applicants last year. This has resulted in most schools in the borough having surplus places, with many reducing the size of the school intake to lessen the financial impact of the lower numbers. This year we are running two reception classes - RG and RW.

"Don't try so hard to fit in, and certainly don't try so hard to be different ... just try hard to be you." (Zendaya)



For those of you who drive your children to school, please

- **Drive carefully** on the roads surrounding school
- **Park considerately** to our neighbours
- Turn your **engine off**, not leave it running while parked
- Make every effort to walk all or some of the way to school if possible. It's healthy and good for the environment



No Taking Offence

Parents who use the Gordon Road gate, particularly those who access the year 5 classrooms or club doors, will no doubt have noticed that some of our neighbour's overgrown trees are pushing through the school fencing. Our contractor has erected some temporary fencing for us and we are liaising with the landowner regarding the removal of the trees. We will inform you when there any updates.

First Holy Communion

The application process for children in primary school years 3&4 who wish to make their First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion, is now open. Forms are available from the presbytery or online at www.catholickenfield.org

The programme is due to start the 9th January 2023 with celebration masses taking place mid May. For further information please contact the Catechetical Coordinator on 0208 363 2569 or email enfieldcat@rcdow.org.uk. Deadline for the return of the forms is Monday 14th November 2022.

Upcoming Dates

Advance warning of some key school dates...

September

Fri 9th Mass at Church led by Year 6
Meet and greet reception parents 3pm
Mon 12th Year 6 parents meeting 6pm school hall

Parent Support Courses

Organised by the Enfield Town School's Partnership

Managing Children's Behaviour (online evening course) C2423902

Starts Monday 12th September – a short 5 week course run over consecutive Monday evenings. Class time 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Schools, Parenting and Child Development, Child Development: Managing Children's Behaviour (online evening course) (C2423902) (wea.org.uk)

Understanding Autism - (online evening course) C2423925

Starts Monday 12th September – a short 5 week course run over consecutive Monday evenings. Class time 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Schools, Parenting and Child Development, Child Development: Understanding Autism - (online evening course) (C2423925) (wea.org.uk)

Welcome

An enormous welcome to the following children who started at St George's this week. We hope that you love being part of our special family.

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| Adeeb | Iga | Oriah |
| Alanna | Ithal | Ryan |
| Alexander | Ivy | Ryan |
| Amara | Izuchukwu | Scarlett |
| Anulika | Joanna | Thomas |
| Arunan | Joshua | Tymon |
| Ava | Jozef | Valentina |
| Azaria | Liam | William |
| Azrae-jaida | Lola | Zoe |
| Bonnie | Luisa | |
| Celine | Luke | |
| Ciaran | Marina | |
| Cinar | Marina | |
| Clara | Mary | |
| Conor | Mary | |
| Ebony | Maya | |
| Eduardo | Mia | |
| Ella | Michael | |
| Elyse | Molly | |
| Ethan | Neya | |
| Evie | Niamh | |
| Foteini | Noah | |
| Hannah | Zoe | |

All the children above started in our reception classes. We also welcome:

Sophia (year 1)
Sami (year 2)
Joe (year 3)
Lily, (year 4)
Patrick (year 4) and
Nida (year 5)

Comings and Goings

In order to make the beginning and end of each school day as smooth an operation as possible, please follow our simple guidelines below. Please do not hesitate to chat to one of the SLT on the playground if you are unsure.

Please do not use your mobile phones on the school premises at any time. There are strict safeguarding guidelines that we need to adhere to.

Please do not allow your children (or adults!) to use the playground equipment.

Scooters and bikes are to be pushed through the playgrounds and not ridden.

Finally, we have a one-way system in place through the link corridor. Please observe this. Access is from the junior playground into the infant playground. Please do not go in the other direction. This avoids the frustrating queues that form when people travel in both directions.

If you need to access the junior playground, please use the Gordon Road gate.

If you need to access both playgrounds, please use the Gordon Road gate and exit Halifax Road.

If you need the Infant playground only, then please use either gate and exit via Halifax Road.

Positive Parenting - (online course) C2423904

Starts Tuesday 13th September – a short 5 week course run over consecutive Tuesday mornings. Class time 10.00am – 12.00pm

Schools, Parenting and Child Development, Child Development: Positive Parenting - (Online course) (C2423904) (wea.org.uk)