

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

# School Newsletter

#### Newsletter 3

Autumn Term 2022 Thursday 22 September

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

#### Year 4 curriculum meeting 2:55pm

Thursday 29 September 6OT retreat at St Ignatius

Next Week in School

Friday 23 September Year 5 at church 10am

Monday 26 September

Friday 30 September
Liturgy for St Therese of Lisieux

#### **Our School Houses**

St Thérèse of Lisieux

St Oscar Romero

St Francis of Assisi

St Josephine Bakhita

**Blue** 

Red

Yellow

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	Our reception classes will be
RW	attending assembly soon!
1A	Ruth, CM
1DS	Avery & Niall
1W	Sophia T & Orla
2B	Ben & Sami
2K	Natalie & Liam
2NS	Robson & Edith
3A	Helena & Olimpia
3F	Oscar & Cressida
3S	СМ
4GC	Georgina & Dylan
4P	Cian & Patrick
40S	Olivia & Lovy
5B	Jasper & Mela
5M	Alan & Caitlin
5S	Mikey, CM
6K	Oscar & Elizabeth
6M	CM
6OT	William, CM

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Good luck to year 5 as they lead 10am mass at our parish on Friday morning. It will not be streamed on this occasion but please feel free to join them if you are able.

We have two feast days for our special school house saints taking place soon. We will be celebrating them by allowing the children in those houses to attend school in the relevant colour for that saint. So, on Friday 30 September, the children who belong to the house of St Therese of Lisieux may wear blue. Those in St Francis can get something yellow prepared for the following week (Tuesday 4th). Each house will have a special liturgy dedicated to their saint, finishing with an extra playtime. Our house system aims to develop a deeper sense of belonging and camaraderie.

October is nearly upon us, the month of the Rosary. The Rosary rota for years 2 to 6 has been uploaded onto the school website under 'news and events.' Please take a look at the appropriate date for your child's class. It would be lovely for you to join us.

## **Uniform**

By and large, our pupils are brilliant at wearing the correct uniform and looking very smart each day. We thank parents for your support and the importance you give to our uniform. A few parents have pointed our a discrepancy between the information about girls tights between that which was published in the newsletter and on the website. Currently, the school uniform policy is under review, as it is every other year. Until a final decision is made, girls may wear either grey or navy tights. Even if there is a change, there will be a period of adjustment so there is certainly no panic. Either colour looks smart!

Children will inevitably put down their jumpers, cardigans and coats and forget where they have left them. It is therefore essential that all these items are clearly labelled with your child's name so that they can be easily reunited!

Finally, as the children wear their PE kit for the full duration of their PE day, please ensure that they come to school wearing the appropriate jogging bottoms or shorts, not cycling shorts or leggings.

Please refer to the school website under 'parents information.'

"You cannot be half a saint; you must be a whole saint or no saint at all." (St Thérèse of Lisieux)























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

The weather is lovely at the moment - walk at least some or all of the way to school whenever you can.

I have received an angry email from a neighbour in the flats on Gordon Road. Please take note that this is private parking for residents only. As ever, inconsiderate parking damages our school's reputation in the local community and generates wasted time and stress for school staff who should not need to calm down angry residents.

## **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.catholicenfield.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.

# **School Places for September 2023**

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.catholoicenfield.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 two other forms should be submitted to the school together in person or via email to admin@st-georges.enfield.sch.uk Closing Date for Admissions: 15th January 2023.

For further information, please contact the school office on 0208 363 3729

Applications across Enfield were significantly lower this year, to compound lower numbers of applicants last year. This has resulted in significant numbers of 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. It is worth noting that all Catholic applicants to our school last year were offered a place, including those without a certificate of Catholic Practice.

# **Upcoming Dates**

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

#### September

Fri 23rd Year 5 Mass at church 10am

**October** 

Tues 4th Y3 curriculum meeting 2:55pm

Boys football at Enfield Grammar

Thurs 6th 6OT retreat

Fri 7th Y3 lead Mass at church

Y4 to St Albans

Y5/6 Cross Country at Forty Hall Y2 curriculum meeting 2:55pm

Tues 11th Y2 curriculum meeting 2:55 Fri 14th Harvest Festival 9.15am

Tues 18th Y6 curriculum meeting & maths café 2:30

Girls football at Enfield Grammar

Weds 19th Y3 Egyptian Day Thurs 20th Y5/6 Cross Country

Fri 21st School Closes for half term Mon 31st INSET day - school closed

#### **November**

Tues 1st school reopens

Mass for All Souls

Parent Consultations

Please **do not** allow your children to use the play equipment in the junior playground after school.





# THE VOICE KIDS 2023 APPLY NOW!

The Voice Kids is back and we're looking for super talented SOLO SINGERS & DUOS who have what it takes to take over The Voice Kids stage!

If you know any 7-14 year olds who want their voices to be heard, we want to hear from you!

For more information about how to enter go to itv.com/beontv/thevoicekids or stv.tv/voicekids

Applications close on Friday 11th November 2022

We reserve the right to extend the closing date at our discretion

Other eligibility criteria and terms and conditions also apply (see entry form for full details).

Personal data provided by you will be collected and processed in accordance with the privacy notices set out in the entry form.



