



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

School Newsletter

Newsletter 6

Autumn Term 2022
Thursday 13 October

Headteacher: Mr P O'Rourke
Deputy Heads: Mrs C McGivern
Mrs S Hukowski
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	Our reception classes will be
RW	attending assembly soon!
1A	Sara & Leonardo
1DS	Cian & Leah
1W	Zachary & Georgia
2B	Ashai & Callum
2K	Olivia & Davyd
2NS	Mylo & Kieran
3A	Y3 attended Mass last week
3F	
3S	
4GC	Y4 were at St Albans last week
4P	
4OS	
5B	Obaa & Alex
5M	Max & Alex G
5S	Luca & Anthony
6K	Isla & Kristupas
6M	Liam & Erin
6OT	Tishe & Ellis

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Next Week in School

Friday 14 October

Harvest Festival 9.15am/ 9.45am

Tuesday 18 October

Year 6 curriculum meeting/ maths take away 2;30pm
Football (girls) @ Enfield Grammar School

Wednesday 19 October

Year 3 Egyptian Day

Thursday 20 October

Year 5/6 Cross Country @ Forty Hall

Friday 21 October

Year 4 lead Mass at Church
School closes for half term 3;30pm

We always love our Harvest Festival and donating large amount of goods to the North Enfield Food-bank. Our parents are always so generous. If you wish to join us for our service, please refer to the letter distributed yesterday explaining that we are having our Key Stage 1 (plus RG) service at 9:15am, and our Key Stage 2 (plus RW) assembly at 9:45am. Having two services has the dual benefit of making the assembly a little more personal and spiritual, as well as avoiding overcrowding now that there are more cases of COVID being reported once again, both in the school community and in our locality. Finally, it is the last week of our Rosary recitals from Monday. Please refer to the article later in this newsletter, or check the rota on the school website. It has been lovely to have parents join us in the Rosary Garden to pray this special devotion.

Times Tables

Learning the times tables is the fundamental bedrock for a child's enjoyment and engagement in mathematics, as well as being an essential ingredient for progress and attainment. Times Table Rock Stars is available for all our children to enjoy and practise their tables, and competitions will be starting up again after half term. Please check that you are using the latest version of TTRockStars on your device. Visit play.ttrockstars.com/reset to load the latest version in their device's browser. Or update the Times Tables Rock Stars app from the app store. All very technical, and a sign of the times!

First Holy Communion

Forms for First Holy Communion 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.

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant. (Robert Louis Stevenson)"



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

- **Drive carefully** on the roads surrounding school
- **Park considerably** 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



It is a promising weather forecast for most of next week - walk at least some or all of the way to school whenever you can.

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.catholiceenfield.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 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.

October

Fri 14th	Harvest Festival (5S) 9.15am
Tues 18th	Y6 meeting & maths take away 2:30pm 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 Saints (Year 5 at Church) Parent Consultations
Weds 2nd	Parents Consultations
Thurs 3rd	3F to Enfield Town Library
Tues 8th	3S to Enfield Town Library Reception curriculum meeting 2.55pm
Weds 9th	3A to Enfield Town Library
Mon 14th	Anti-Bullying week Year 2 Book Look for parents
Tues 15th	Year 4 Book Look for parents
Weds 16th	Year 3 Book Look for parents
Thurs 17th	Year 5 Book Look for parents
Friday 18th	Year 6 Book Look for parents
Thurs 24th	Book Fair (until 30th)
Fri 25th	Advent Spirituality Day
Tues 29th	Year 5 & 6 reconciliation

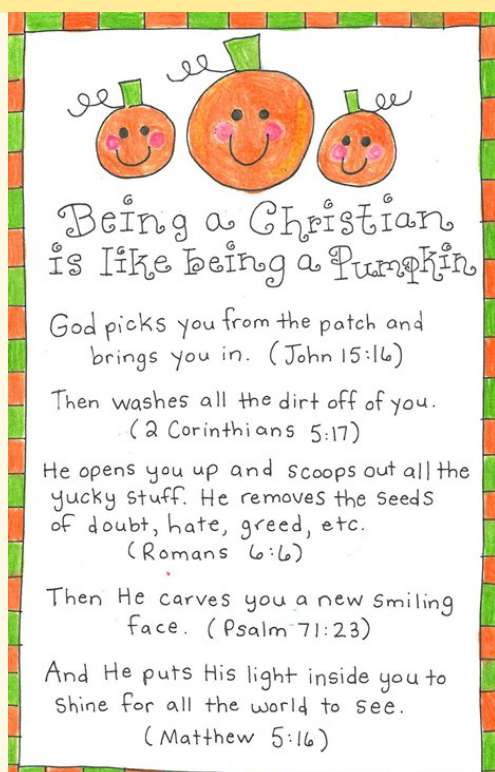
Niko's Success

Every year, we are proud to participate in the Enfield Summer Reading Challenge. This week, I have some good news to share with you. Niko in 2NS has won their Reading Design Competition with his FAB BAG! In congratulating him, the organisers paid tribute to his forward-thinking environmental awareness, writing 'You are very capable of identifying and solving problems to create a better world for future generations.' Congratulations from all at school, Niko

Summer Reading Challenge 2022



We are so proud of our Cross country Team. Winners of the Enfield Cross Country Competition yet again, following a fantastic performance at Forty Hall last week!



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: 'news & events > mass and assembly rotas'. The schedule for next week is:

The Glorious Mysteries

Monday 17 October

The Resurrection 3F

Tuesday 18 October

The Ascension 3S

Wednesday 19 October

The Coming of the Holy Spirit 2NS

Thursday 13 October

The Assumption of Our Lady 2K

Friday 14 October

Mary is crowned Queen of Heaven 2B



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.

Chess club

Notice to parents/grand-parents.

Can you spare one hour per week? We are looking for a volunteer to support a new chess club starting after half term. Knowledge of chess is important, but the main qualifications are enthusiasm for the game and the ability to communicate this to children. If you are interested please email: office@st-georges.enfield.sch.uk for the attention of Mrs Angland.

...and for children...

New Chess Club – year 3 and year 4.

Are you interested in learning how to play chess? The school will be hosting a new chess club after the half term holidays and are making preliminary enquiries to gauge numbers so that we can decide how best to host these sessions. A minimal weekly fee may apply. This is not a commitment to join but an expression of interest. More details and the opportunity to join will follow in due course. If interested, please email: office@st-georges.enfield.sch.uk for the attention of Mrs Angland.



Notes from our School Office

If your child would like to change their **meal option** after the half term break, please complete the notice to request a change of school meal option. This can be found under Parents' Information/Parent Forms

When your child is **absent** from school please complete the form on the school website reporting an absence form. This can be found under Parents' Information/

Parent Forms. Please send this before 9am on the day of absence.

If your child has a medical appointment please forward proof of the appointment.

As with many workplaces, it seems, we are experiencing staff shortages. It may, therefore, be necessary for us to close the school office for short periods during the day, for example, to allow staff to take a lunch break. If the office is to be closed, parents will be informed of this by text.

Year 4 In and Out

With effect from Monday 17 October, we would like all **year 4** children to enter into the school building through the **Library/ 3A entrance**. This is the entrance 'around the corner' near the link corridor. This will enable us to place a member of staff on the door which we have not been able to do using the school hall doors. The children will continue to exit through the hall, however, so you can pick them up from the same spot.

A member of SLT will be on hand to guide you on Monday, should you be unsure.