



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

School Newsletter

Newsletter 11

Autumn Term 2022
Thursday 24 November

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	Zoe, Molly
RW	Ella, Josh
1A	Igor, Matthew
1DS	Bersin, Noah
1W	Sophia, Benjamin
2B	Alex, Kaiden
2K	Sofia, Moses
2NS	Jude, Sebastian
3A	Harrison, Ethan
3F	Gracie, Fiona
3S	Carissa, Liam
4GC	Elliot, Franciszek
4P	Calvin, Bella
4OS	Anaya, Preston
5B	Tymon, Amelia
5M	Amelia, Julia
5S	Alice, Noah
6K	Keyshan, Antonio
6M	Connie, Ella
6OT	Anna, Emily

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Next Week in School

Friday 25 November

RW Stay and Play
Advent Spirituality Day

Monday 28 November

Y1/2 gymnastics team at Southbury
Choir visiting Enfield County School

Tuesday 29 November

Year 5 reconciliation at Church
Year 3/4 gymnastics teams at Southbury
Governor Committee meeting 6pm

Wednesday 30 November

Year 5/6 gymnastics team at Edmonton

Thursday 1 December

Year 3 Carol Service 2.45pm

Friday 2 December

RG stay and play
Year 4 reconciliation at school
Y1 Advent Mass at Church

During the week we have been welcoming prospective parents into school, all of them looking for the most suitable educational setting for their children to begin their school journey. It is humbling to listen to our year 6 children talking to them with such pride about St George's, and of all the things that we have achieved. Indeed, it is still sinking in that we are Enfield County School football champions, cross country champions and athletics champions. Three prestigious sporting achievements. But of course it is the day to day achievements that are an equal source of immense pride. The way that the children dedicate themselves to their learning, the positive relationships that they demonstrate and the politeness they show all adults who should be in school, whether prospective parents, regular visitors or those who work here. They truly do live up to their motto: 'In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and His way.'

If you have any friends or colleagues who are looking for a school for their child, please consider directing them towards our school website where they can book a tour of the school, the next one being on Tuesday 13 December.

Christmas Fair

Our Helping Hands team have ensured that our Christmas Fair is an exciting event and have been tirelessly organising it over the past few months. Now the event is nearly upon us they would value any additional help possible. There are a large number of on the day roles that need to be filled so please contact a member of the team to offer your support. This year's event promises to be as wonderful as always and we look forward to welcoming to school from noon on **Saturday 3 December**.

"Autumn carries more gold in its pocket than all the other seasons." (Jim Bishop, American journalist)



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.



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 use the form on our website to book a school tour. The next tours are taking place on Tuesday 13 December.

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.**

Light Bulb Moments

Class 4OS had their first practical lesson on electrical circuits this week. Some moments a teacher cannot plan for, and the look of awe and wonder on some of the children's faces when they made the bulb light up for the first time was such a joy to see! Some left the lesson saying that they wanted to be a scientist!



Mrs Bedborough would like to thank Mrs O'Brien for her kindness in donating some art and craft materials to the school. We are sure that the children will enjoy and benefit from using them.

Upcoming Dates

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

November

Thurs 24th	Book Fair (until 30th) Image Theatre
Fri 25th	Advent Spirituality Day RW Stay and Play
Mon 28th	Y1 & 2 gymnastics (Southbury)
Tues 29th	Year 5 & 6 reconciliation Year 3 & 4 gymnastics (Southbury)
Weds 30th	Year 5 & 6 gymnastics (Edmonton)

December

Thurs 1st	Year 3 carol service 2:45pm
Fri 2nd	RG Stay and Play Year 4 reconciliation Year 1 Advent Mass at church 10am
Sat 3rd	Christmas Fair
Mon 5th	Year 3 carol service 2:45pm
Tues 6th	Reception nativity 9:45am
Weds 7th	Reception Nativity 9:45am Governors meeting
Thurs 8th	Year 5 production 2:30pm
Fri 9th	Year 5 production 2:30pm RW stay and play
Mon 12th	Year 6 carol service at church 2pm
Tues 13th	Christmas lunch
Weds 14th	Year 2 liturgy at church
Thurs 15th	Christmas jumper day...and class parties
Fri 16th	Year 4 End of Term Mass at church 10am School closes for Christmas 2pm

January

Weds 4th	School reopens for pupils
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Christmas Liturgies & Performances

December

Thursday 1st

Year 3 Christmas Carols at 2:45pm

Friday 2nd

Year 1 Advent Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George at 10am

Monday 5th

Year 3 Christmas Carols at 2:45pm

Tuesday 6th

Reception Nativity at 9:45am

Wednesday 7th

Reception Nativity at 9:45am

Thursday 8th

Year 5 Christmas production at 2:30pm

Friday 9th

Year 5 Christmas production at 2:30pm

Monday 12th

Year 6 Christmas Carols at 2pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George

Tuesday 13th

Christmas dinner

Wednesday 14th

Year 2 Christmas Liturgy at 10am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George

Thursday 15th

Christmas party and jumper day.

Friday 16th

Year 4 leading Whole School Mass at 10am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George



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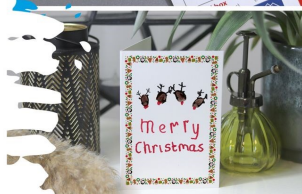
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Love Your Planet

Congratulations to Oriah and Tiana Picardo for their wonderful entries to the Love Your Planet competition organised by Enfield Climate Action Forum. Oriah won first prize in her age group, and Tiana won second in hers. The organisers praised their efforts:

"They are both very talented and I'm delighted to tell you that they will each receive a prize from rapper and story teller Alim Kamara."

Since they submitted their entries, the posters they made for the competition will be professionally printed and on display at the prize giving event this evening. They can then take them home at the end of the evening; 4pm at the Culture Palace, Enfield Palace Gardens Shopping Centre. Their classmates are invited!



First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion forms are available from the presbytery or online at www.catholickenfield.org

The programme starts on the 9th January with 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 14th November.

Wind in the Willows

We thank parents once again for supporting the visit of Image Theatre to our school. They always produce wonderful, professional shows and by holding these at school, we are able to offer a professional theatre performance for the children at an affordable price for families. We thank you for your contributions, without which we simply could not organise this event.



CAFOD Volunteering

CAFOD (The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) reaches out to Catholic schools through volunteers who deliver assemblies and workshops using the excellent resources produced by CAFOD's Education group. Would you, or someone you know, be interested in joining the team? We provide training and termly refresher sessions, arrange for you to have a DBS check and pay your travel expenses. The role is especially suitable for someone looking to return to work after a career break, thinking about a career in education or recently retired and looking for a volunteering opportunity where they can make a difference. For more information contact Marcela Keech at mkeech@cafod.org.uk or Chris Driscoll at westminsterschools@cafod.org.uk 07776 493162.

