

School Newsletter

Newsletter 2

Autumn Term 2024 Thursday 14 September

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

Our School Houses

St Thérèse of Lisieux

St Oscar Romero

St Francis of Assisi

St Josephine Bakhita

Blue

Red

Yellow

Green

Our New Starters

This week we welcome the following children into school in our two reception classes. We hope that they all love being part of the St George's family.

Rico Alie Amber Atkin Callum Baker Amelia Boje Lucca Costa ribeiro Lana Cotelco Albie Day Noah Emak Elif Erbas Gabriel Freire dos santos George Gomez Zakhar Hirniak Alice Howard Thiago Jativa cardona Mateo Jorrin-jacome Elias Kaleab **Emily Mace** Liam Maguire Ava McCarthy Cillian Munroe Simife Okonkwo Amelia Rush Leonardo Somma Yasmin Tusha Chaithri Wanigasooriya Nuala Williams Erin Wilton-O'Reilly Lika Yushchak

Avni Anoop Elijah Ayotayo Julia Bori Alanna Brown Evie Chandramohan Harry Daines-cutler Leo Gjini Lois Grant Conor Hannon Sophie Howarth Jan Jelen Jesslyn John Chilekwa Kalota Amelia Ksyta Eva Le'cand-Harwood Freddie McDermott Peter Muitabayi Kandolo **Emilia Murphy** Finley O'Hanlon Maya Platt Joseph Rambaud Matias Rivera Mia Rubino-Bennett Alexander Rush Omari-Faith Sanni Matteo Sefa Oscar Slater Balthazar Sopronyi Isla Withers

Next Week in School

Friday 15 September

Coffee morning for new reception parents 9am Year 6 at Church 10am

Monday 18 September

Nursery starts
Reception begin full time

Tuesday 19 September

Year 6 Curriculum Meeting 2:50pm

Friday 22 September

Year 5 at Church 10am

It has been wonderful to welcome our new reception children into school this week. They have made a great start and are a credit to their families. They also look fabulous in the new Early Years uniform. The new logo looks fantastic on the uniform of the older children too, so I would like to extend our appreciation for all the families who have supported this new venture. Further uniform guidance is available on our school website under the parents information section. Year 6 are the first year group to attend Mass at church this academic year. If you would like to join them, Mass will begin at 10am.

Code of Conduct

I would like to draw parents' attention to the Code of Conduct that will be distributed to parents this week. This document outlines the expectations for positive parent-teacher interactions. Despite the fact that the overwhelming majority of relationships are polite, positive and productive, unfortunately, there were an increased number of instances last year where school staff were talked to in a completely unacceptable way. This is also true of social media, where school staff have sometimes been referred to in a very derogatory way. Please take some time to read through the document, sign and return it to school. School staff work tirelessly to make life as enjoyable and purposeful as they can for all of the children at school, and therefore, as a school community, we have the common aim of wanting all of our children to thrive. We do that in school with relationships based on Gospel values.

Things do not always go to plan, however, so if you have an issue please arrange to have a discussion with your class teacher to try to understand the problem and work together to agree a positive solution. Working together positively will create the environment that gives the children the best chance of success.

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Alicja Zubik

"This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 11824

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.

It's on the Cards

We are in the process of restocking the playground equipment boxes which the children use at lunchtime as part of their rota of activities. We have noticed that the children enjoy sitting together and playing with chess sets, dominoes and playing cards. Unfortunately we do not have enough sets to allow lots of children to play and so are asking for donations of any of these items you may have at home that you do not use anymore. The chess and dominoes sets we have are donations from a few years ago and they are still played with every day so some more of these would be much appreciated. If you are able to make any donation, please ask your

child to hand it to their class teacher.

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

Year 6 Secondary Transfer meeting (6pm) Thurs 14th Fri 15th Year 6 at Church (10am)

Reception parents coffee morning (9am)

Mon 18th Nursery starts, specific sessions

Reception start full time

Tues 19th Year 6 Curriculum meeting (2:50pm)

'Class Act' assemblies Fri 22nd Year 5 at Church 10am

Weds 27th Year 6 RSE meeting (4pm) online

October

Tues 3rd Tues 10th Sat 14th Tues 17th Boy's football (3:45pm) Grammar School Netball (County School) 3:45pm Happy Circus (Helping Hands event) Girl's football (3:45pm) Grammar School

November

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Weds 1st Mon 6th

Reception Curriculum Meeting 2.50pm **Nursery Curriculum Meeting**

The Circus is Coming to Town

All of us here at Helping Hands are beyond excited to announce the ticket sales for our next fundraising event - Happy Circus!

On Saturday 14 October 2023 we will be hosting a big top circus in Hall Recreation Ground (Sports Day Field).

Gates will open at 12 noon with the circus starting at 2pm.

We'll have food, drink (yes, there will be alcohol), games, tuck shop, festival gems and much more!!!

The big top only seats 600 people, so don't delay in securing your tickets - we anticipate this event to sell out quickly, so book now to avoid disappointment.

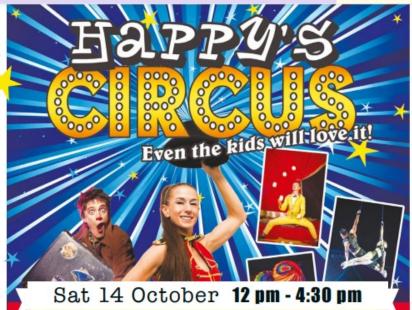
This is an exclusive St George's Community event only - meaning we don't intend to open ticket sales up to anyone outside of the school.

This is a first for our school - come and join us make it a really special day!!!

Attendance at School

The DfE have published guidance for parents on children's attendance at school. The guidance, with a helpful section entitled 'Is my child too ill for school', will be uploaded onto our school website, or you can copy and paste the following link: https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-childtoo-ill-for-school/

Guidance from the Chief Medical Officer is attached to this newsletter.



We are so excited to invite our St George's children and their families to Happy's Circus. Gates open at 12 pm, come early and make a day of it.

We will have food & drink, treats, entertainment, games and much much more for you to enjoy before the show. Happy's Circus starts at 2 pm, expect a fun packed 2 hours, with a comedy show for all the family supported by amazing International Circus Artists.

HALL RECREATION GROUND

Entrance gate off College Road, Enfield, EN2 OQE (school sports field)

£12 PER TICKET / £44 FAMILY TICKET (4 ppl)

This is a pre-book event only, tickets will not be available to purchase on the day.

CLICK HERE TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS www.pta-events.co.uk/helpinghandsstgenfield/



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St. George's Parents Network

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Create Theatre School are excited to be landing at St George's this term!!!

LAMDA Speech and Drama Club for Year 1 and 2 Thursdays 3.30-4.30

If you haven't heard of LAMDA here is a little about it...

- * LAMDA lessons provide a nurturing environment where children can express themselves freely, building their self esteem and confidence,
- LAMDA lessons encourage children to explore their imagination through drama games, improvisation and story telling.
- * LAMDA lessons develop communication and conversation skills. Children will learn to articulate their thoughts effectively becoming excellent storytellers and confident speakers.
- * Children will work towards a LAMDA exam where the examiner will visit school in the Summer Term. LAMDA exams are universally and globally recognised.
- Most importantly LAMDA lessons are loads of fun! Children will play games, act out scripts and stories as well as bring poems to life.

Performing Arts Club for Year 3-4 Fridays 3.30-4.30

Children will do a combination of drama, singing and dance in this exciting one hour club to give them a real taste of the Performing Arts! Each term they will work towards a mini musical which they will perform at the end of term to parents/carers. Previous mini musicals we have done in other schools include Matilda, Aladdin and Annie!

Clubs start week commencing 18th September £8/session

All booking online https://bookwhen.com/createtheatreschool

Library

We were so excited to hold the official opening of our new library on Monday. All of the children have had a quick tour of the new facility this week and we will soon have a rota for each class to use the library as well as other activities to really underline our commitment to developing reading this year. The opening ceremony concluded with a liturgy and blessing by Father Daniel.

For each and every one of you who have supported this venture, most notably by supporting events held by our wonderful Helping Hands team, our heartfelt thanks for this fantastic addition to our school.

The Helping Hands team, I know, will join me in thanking some other people, groups and companies who have supported our library. Mr Neli gave generously of his time and talents to redecorate the room, completely transforming the space. We thank the Aguinas Foundation for a further donation of books and for arranging for Jermaine Jenas to visit us, and it was such a shame that Children in Need called him away at the last minute. Jack from the foundation joined us on Monday and said it was his personal mission to get Jermaine into our school at the earliest possible time! Finally, I would like to thank the residents of Kilvinton Drive who made a generous donation from the proceeds of their Coronation of King Charles street party, just for using our tables. A wonderful gesture!



Enfield Town Park Parkrun

ParkRun is a really great way for both adults and children to get active and stay fit. Please find below a link to the Enfield Town Parkrun that on a weekly basis and is completely free, although you must register once, in advance.

We are a dental practice in Enfield Town and would like to inform you that we are currently excepting children patients under NHS.

We are aware that it can be difficult to get NHS appointments and would be grateful if you could pass this information to the parents.

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