



St George's School News

New Academic Year 2025 - 2026

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to welcome you to a new academic year. Whether your child is joining us for the first time or returning after the summer, we are excited to begin another year of learning, growing in faith, and community together. It is a pleasure to see the children, they have settled quickly into the routines of school and especially enjoy being back with their friends again.

As your child progresses in their primary education journey, it is important that you know the year group expectations and the curriculum, for their age and development. There will be the opportunity for this next week at "Meet the Teacher" sessions – dates and times are in the date section of this newsletter.

We pride ourselves in neat tidy uniform at our school. All parents are asked to follow the expected guidance for uniform on the school website. At assembly this week, children were reminded of expectations for uniform, jewellery and long hair.

EYFS and KS1 pupils should carry their red book bag to school, whilst KS2 pupils may have a ruck-sac of their choice. School coats may only be black or navy. Hair accessories, scarves and hats can be red, black, navy or white only.

A very special welcome to our new reception children and parents, and to new families and staff joining our school community.

At St. George's, we greatly value parental support in all areas of school life. We encourage you to get involved, whether through volunteering, or attending school events. We would encourage you to join our PSA committee or let

a member of the committee know if you can help at any events.

Myself and Mrs Arthur look forward to working together with you as a community for the good of the children and we wish you and your family a wonderful start to the school year.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs D Monaghan

Headteacher





"Even as children, we can learn to be builders of bridges and seek opportunities to help others."

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to our new Reception class and to all new parents and children to our school.

Also to our new members of staff.

- Mrs Danielle Manley Reception class teacher
- Mr Sam Molyneaux Sports Coach
- Mrs Amala Ganta Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Justyna Zaradna Teaching Assistant
- Mr Luke Thornton Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Anna K Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Ewelina T Nursery Practitioner

MORNING BREAKTIME

Morning breaktime snack is fruit or vegetables only.

All pupils must have their own water bottle in

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

There are strict guidelines the school must follow regarding the administration of medicines in school.

Pupils are NOT permitted to have ANY medication on their person.

If parents deem it fit, under GP guidance, for their child to be administered medication in school, then the appropriate form regarding permission and parental responsibility should be completed. This is available from the School Office.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



Reception Pupils may access Breakfast and After School Club services from Monday 22nd September.

Please be aware that early booking is essential for all children.

On Monday there are 40 spaces in After School Club and on every other day, there are 45 places.

Bookings are made via Magic Booking.

[St George's Primary Catholic Voluntary Academy - Extended schools and clubs \(stgeorgesprimary.org\)](http://stgeorgesprimary.org)

SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

Sports Clubs led by Mr Molyneaux will begin in the week beginning Monday 29th September.

Parents will receive communication about this next week.



CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please inform the School Office by email on office@stgeorges.harrow.sch.uk if you change any of your contact details, including home, work or mobile numbers or email address.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

There will be a uniform sale held on Wednesday 17th September

Please make sure that all items of school clothing are clearly labelled. This makes it much easier for us to identify any clothing that has been found in the school.

Any items that are not clearly labelled will be put into the next re-cycled uniform sale.



MEET THE TEACHER

'Meet the teacher' evenings will take place week commencing 15th September 2025 at 5:00pm

Monday 15th September Years. 1 and 2

Tuesday 16th September Years. 3 and 4

Wednesday 17th September Reception

Thursday 18th September Year. 5 and Year. 6

READING RECORDS

Reading Records are a vital communication tool between parents and teachers and they need to be signed each evening and in school daily.

Pupils will be bringing home a reading book and parents should communicate with the class teacher regarding their child's reading aloud and sign or write a comment in their Reading Record.

Additionally, whenever you read with your child, it is important to ask questions about characters' feelings:- why do authors use certain words to create effect? New vocabulary should be explained so children can understand the meaning in context.

Reading Records are to be used to let the teacher know if there are any changes to pick up arrangements or to communicate a well-being note or provide an absence explanation.

We would encourage parents not to write concerns or complaints in reading records and to send separate correspondence.

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL



Reminder: we are a nut free school, all snacks must **NOT** contain any nuts. Please ensure that labels have been checked for all food and snacks. A reminder that food will no longer be provided in afterschool club, snacks must be provided.



MORE SUPPORT FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SEVEN NEWSAFE HAVENS

Contact: Anna Inman; Anna.Inman@harrow.gov.uk

Safe Havens are helping keep Harrow safe. Originally launched to support women and girls, London Borough of Harrow have expanded the scheme from 14 to 21 venues across Harrow. These spaces help anyone (regardless of age) feeling scared, harassed or threatened. Whether someone needs to call a taxi, charge their phone, or simply take a moment to feel safe, these spaces are here to help. They are free, confidential spaces and the venues include voluntary groups, libraries, and community hubs ready to offer temporary support.

The Safe Havens are clearly marked with window stickers and offer a welcoming environment to anyone in need, regardless of gender or background. Trained staff can assist with providing a safe space, contacting emergency services or friends/family, or signposting people to local support services. The initiative is part of a broader commitment to tackle harassment and improve public safety, especially for women and girls.

You can read the full press release here: <https://www.harrow.gov.uk/news/article/11435/more-support-for-women-and-girls-with-seven-new-safe-havens>

The full list of Safe Haven locations can be found online at www.harrow.gov.uk/safehavens

IS YOUR CHILD CHATTING TO A REAL FRIEND - OR AN AI CHATBOT?**AI Chatbots****HANDLE WITH CARE!**

AI Chatbots are built into platforms children are using every day on their phones and other devices. Research from [Internet Matters](#), shows that **two-thirds of children are using AI chatbots** like ChatGPT, Snapchat's My AI, character ai and others, and they're being used for schoolwork, to seek advice and even for companionship.

Chatbots interact in a human-like way, they are always available, are friendly and non-judgemental, and use empathetic language - which can make children feel acknowledged and understood. However, this makes it harder for children to recognise that they're interacting with a tool rather than a real person. Chatbots are not real and their responses cannot always be trusted.

Also, they're **often not designed with children in mind** - most lack safety settings or parental controls. So if children ask for advice on sensitive topics, the lack of age checks plus inconsistent filtering mean they may be presented with responses that are inappropriate for their age.

To help you get to grips with what AI chatbots are, and for advice and tips on how you can help your children use them safely, [check out Internet Matters new AI information hub](#).

Information for all education settings: Resources to support kinship carers

A kinship carer is a friend or family member who raises a child when their parents can't. Kinship, the national charity for kinship carers, offers free online and in-person workshops and peer support groups open to all kinship carers, regardless of their legal arrangement.

Please promote this support to kinship families in your education setting by directing them to [Kinship's website](#).



GUNNERSBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Ride, Boston Manor Road, Brentford, Middlesex TW8 9LB
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Open Days

WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2025

1.30pm – 3.00pm with Headteacher's address at 2.30pm
5.00pm – 7.30pm with Headteacher's address at 6.00pm and 6.45pm

MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2025

1.30pm – 3.00pm with Headteacher's address at 2.30pm

WEDNESDAY 1 OCTOBER 2025

10.30am – 11.30am

OPEN EVENING



Salvatorian
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Tuesday 30th September 5:30-7:30pm

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St George's School Dates



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER

- Mon 15** Meet the Teacher Years. 1 and 2 at 5pm
- Tues 16** Meet the Teacher Years. 3 and 4 5pm
- Wed 17** Meet the Teacher Reception at 5pm
- Thurs 18** Reception Start full time
- Thurs 18** Meet the Teacher Year. 5 and Year. 6 at 5pm
- Thurs 18** Year 6 Parents High School Transition meeting at 5:30pm
- Wed 24** Young Ambassador's peace day
- Tues 30** Year 2 Great fire of London Workshop

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

- Weds 01** St Therese 's House Mass
- Fri 03** St Francis's House Mass
- Wed 08** London Air Ambulance KS2
- Mon 20** First Flu Vaccinations
- Thurs 23** ***Inset day School closed***
- Fri 24** ***Inset day School closed***
- Wed 22** Last day of term

**HALF TERM Thursday 23rd October– Friday 31st
October 2025**

Normal School Finish Time

**Please be aware that there may occasionally be a
change to dates due to circumstances beyond our
control**

HEADTEACHER'S DROP IN SESSION—EVERY MONDAY AT 2.40PM

This is a time when the Headteacher is available if you want to discuss any matters.

Mrs Monaghan is also available at other times if you wish to make an appointment through the School Office.