



St George's School News

New Academic Year 2024-2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year. It is a pleasure to see the children, they have settled quickly into the routines of school and especially enjoy being back together 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. Homework will start next week also, it is given out each Monday via PING. Home – school communication and support for learning at home is key to your child's success at school and is highly valued at St. George's.

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

This academic year, we are expecting a Diocesan Inspection in Religious Education (RE). This will be a two-day inspection on the quality of the RE curriculum and The Catholic Life of our school.

In a Catholic school, the taught curriculum can never be the pupils' entire experience. Jesus calls parents and teachers to a special role in forming young people. The deep experience we offer children is designed to make them flourish as individuals.

Myself and Mrs Arthur look forward to working together with you as a community for the good of the children. The annual general meeting of the PSA takes place this Tuesday 17th September at 6.30pm at school. Parents are

welcome to come along and find out more about what we do as a group.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Monaghan'.

Mrs D Monaghan
Headteacher





Pope Francis September Intention – Care of Creation

Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all

ZERO TOLERANCE TO RACISM

The school does not tolerate and will challenge racist behaviour. This includes name calling, 'jokes' or other derogatory comments.

It is our duty as adults to educate our children about tolerance and acceptance of others so that they can co-exist together as they grow up in our diverse city.



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

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.

EARINGS ON PE DAYS

Earrings should be removed or covered with plasters on PE days.

Please note that children are not allowed to wear necklaces on any day to school.

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.

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.

Thank you.



COME FOR COFFEE AND CAKE

Donations of Nut free Cakes are Welcomed and can be brought to the School Office on Thursday or to the Small Hall in the morning



WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING 28 SEPT

WE ARE MACMILLIAN. Great Support.

Children's Bake - Off Competition
The best entry from KS1 & KS2

If you can't make it but would like to donate, please scan the QR code



Scan me to Donate

Friday, 27th September
St. George's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy
Small Hall from 8:50 a.m.

MACMILLIAN COFFEE MORNING

A Macmillan Coffee morning will be held on Friday 27th September at 9.00am in the Small Hall.

We welcome any donations of cakes/biscuits (containing no nuts please) which should be brought to the hall on the morning

Thank you for coming along and supporting this

MORNING BREAKTIME

Morning breaktime snack is fruit or vegetables only.

All pupils must have their own water bottle in

LABELLING SCHOOL UNIFORM

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Reception Pupils may access Breakfast and After School Club services from Monday 23rd 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)

British Food Fortnight MENU

Friday 27th September 2024

**Traditional Fish and Chips
or
Cheese & Onion Flan**

**Chipped Potatoes
Mushy Peas
Coleslaw**

Apple Pie & Custard



What's on



Family Science

Free evening events for pupils and their families

Led by Dr Becky Waldram from Swansea University, **Family Science** aims to offer some stretch and challenge to pupils and to encourage conversations about science between inquisitive young people and their parents. Each session has a different guest, exploring a new area of science. The sessions are live, fun, and interactive. For **years 5-8**.

When

4 Wednesdays Tuesdays starting 18th September 7pm

Registration

Parents [Register here](#).



St George's School Dates



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER

- Mon 16 - 5pm** Year 1 & Year 2 'Meet the Teacher'
- Tues 17 - 5pm** Year 3, Year 4 & Year 5 'Meet the Teacher'
- Tues 17 - 6:30pm** - PSA Annual General Meeting
- Wed 18—Reception Pupils Full time.
- Wed 18 –9:15am-11:15am PINS Coffee Morning in the small hall
- Wed 18– 2pm Pupil Commission service
- Wed 18– 5pm Reception & Year 6 'Meet the Teacher'
- Mon 23-Fri 27 Year 6 PGL**
- Tues 24** VA Schools Mass at St Anselms Church
- Tues 24** Uniform sale 2:30pm in the small hall
- Fri 27 –8:50-10** Macmillan Coffee Morning

OCTOBER

- Tues 01** St Therese 's House Mass
- Fri 04- St Francis's House Mass
- Wed 04** - St Francis's Feast Day Mass
- Wed 04** - PSA coffee morning
- Fri 11** - Flu Vaccinations
- Tues 15** - Parents Evening 15:30-18:00 Appointments to be made via School Ping
- Tues 17-** Parents Evening 15:30-18:00 Appointments to be made via School Ping
- Mon 21** African Drums Workshop (all years)
- Tues 22** Second Flu Vaccinations
- Fri 25**— Last day of term

HALF TERM Monday 28th-Friday 1st November 2024

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 2.45PM

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.