

# St George's School News



## SCIENCE WEEK/ART & SPORT COMPETITIONS

Dear Parents

It has been a busy and successful Spring Term at school!

Thank you to Miss Rahemani for a highly enjoyable science week. The science fair is always the highlight, as the children love showing the models they made at home and sharing their scientific knowledge with each other, which was in depth knowledge and understanding I have to say. The effort made was fantastic and the models were AMAZING! The infant children had the opportunity to test their boats in a paddling pool in the sun which was great fun.

To those of you who supported your children with art entries for the 4th plinth London art competition organised by Miss Touhy, a huge thank you. These will be displayed in school after Easter and I can guarantee you will be very impressed with the standard.

The PE department lead by Miss O Hara and our sports coaches Mr Willis & Mrs Jones, have had great successes at various games competitions with our St George's teams. A huge well done to these teams.

We are proud of our commitment to the broad curriculum for our children and this was recognised in the recent Ofsted report.

Thank you for your support for all that we do in school. It is invaluable and truly appreciated by all

the staff. The continued home/school partnership which is a strong feature of St. George's is the key to successful academic outcomes and happy children.

Enjoy a blessed Easter Season with family and friends.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Monaghan  
(Headteacher)





"Living Holy Week following Jesus, means learning how to come out of ourselves to reach out to others".

### LENT AND HOLY WEEK

As we enter Holy Week, and we are still at school, this is a opportune time to teach our children a deeper understanding of the reverence and meaning of this very special week in the liturgical year.

Each day we will be displaying a different visual on the screen in the Kenny Hall using a resource called 'Journey to The Cross'. We will be encouraging the children that when they walk through the hall, they should be quiet and take some time to have individual reflective time, or say a quiet prayer, focusing on the image.

We will begin Holy Week with assemblies and be attending Church on Wednesday for our annual Stations of The Cross service, to which parents are invited.

During Lent, Monsignor Jeremy and Father Tony have held reconciliation for years 5 & 6.

The generosity of the school community has been shown through the donations for the charity, Mary's Meals, alongside the Parish. Thank you.



Please take some time to discuss with your child the importance of the events of Holy Week for us as Catholics, to enable them to deepen their faith and relationship with Jesus.

### HOLIDAY REQUESTS

Our term dates are sent out to all parents approximately 18 months before the start of each academic year so that parents are aware of the holiday dates, well in advance.

In addition, we send out our current attendance guidelines to parents every October and it states quite clearly that the Governors do **not** authorise any holiday requests during term time.

Please adhere to these dates and note that requests for leave are only authorised in exceptional circumstances.

Travelling abroad or the wish to meet with relatives is not an exceptional circumstance.

Your co-operation and adherence to school procedures is appreciated.



On Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018, a group of children from St. George's visited Sudbury Neighbourhood Centre. They entertained the elderly with music and dance for St. Patrick's day. The children played "Oh Danny Boy" and "Roddy McCorley". They sang "Rattlin' Bog" and did Irish dancing. Mrs Reilly and Breda walked the children to the centre. The elderly enjoyed it and had a nice conversation with the children. They even sang their own songs and danced along to the tunes. When they were finished, the children received a lollipop each.

Veronika Pindel, 5T

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### MARCH

**Mon 26** - Music concert for drumming 2.30pm  
**Wed 28**—RS Class Assembly at 9.05am. 1.30pm Easter Service Years 2-6  
**Thu 29**—Last day of term as follows:

#### Finishing Times

**1.45pm Reception, 1.50pm Yrs 1 & 2.**  
**2.00pm—Yrs 3-6 4.45pm After School Club**

### APRIL

**Mon 16**—Children return to school. St Bernadette's House Mass  
**Fri 20**—Yrs 3-6 visit to Legoland  
**Mon 23**—St George's Day Mass, led by 4OB  
**Wed 25**— 1P class assembly at 9.05am  
**Thu 26** —Cork exchange children arrive for three days. Yr 3 & 4 Drama showcase at 10am.  
**Fri 27**—Parish Mass led by 5T at 9.30am. String festival at Harrow Arts Centre

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

### MAY

**Tue 01**—Rosary for class 3R  
**Wed 02**—Rosary for 6W  
**Thu 03**—Yr 4 visit Verulamium.  
**Fri 04**—8.30am Mass—all parents welcome. Infant classes visit Paradise Wildlife Park .Parish Mass with 5R. Rosary for class 5R  
  
Tue 08 – Rosary for class 4EK  
Wed 09—Rosary for class 4OB  
**Thu 10**— Rosary for class 3G. 1.30pm Ascension day Mass led by 5T.  
**Fri 11**—Rosary for class 6E  
  
**Mon 14**—Fri 19—Key Stage 2 SATS week. Rosary for class 2H.  
**Tue 15**—Rosary for class 2O.  
**Wed 16**—Rosary for class 1H  
**Thu 17**—Rosary for class 1P. 2pm Year 3 Holy Communion Mass.  
**Tue 22**—Recorder festival at Harrow Arts Centre  
**Wed 23**—Class assembly for 1H at 9.05am  
**Thu 24**—Sound workshop for yr 4  
**Fri 25**—9.30am Parish Mass led by 6E. 1.15pm Prayer Service for 1P.  
  
**Mon 28 May** — Fri 01 June—half term

### EMAILS AND LETTERS SENT HOME

Copies of most general letters can be found on our school website under the Parents tab [www.stgeorgesprimary.org](http://www.stgeorgesprimary.org)

Verulamium—yr 4  
Photograph Video consent - whole school  
Summer Uniform/Houses—Rec  
Ballet Performance—yr 6 Change of Teacher—3G  
Football Match—those involved  
London Youth qualifiers—those involved  
Journey in Love—yr 5  
Writing workshop—those involved

### SAFEGUARDING GOVERNOR

The governor responsible for safeguarding is Mr Leo Harrington.

### EARRINGS ON PE DAYS

If you child is wearing earrings to school, please make sure that these are removed on PE days, or send in plasters so that their ears can be covered when doing PE.

### TAKING AND USING PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

Earlier this week we sent out a consent form which needs to be completed for every child in the school. This is to comply with new regulations coming into effect in May where we are legally obliged to hold opt in consent forms for every child.

Please return this form by Thursday 29 March at the latest

It is not permissible to post any photos taken at school event on social media.

### HEADTEACHER'S DROP IN SESSION—EVERY FRIDAY AT 2.45PM

This is a time when the Head teacher is available if you want to discuss any matters. Mrs Monaghan is also available at other

## SUMMER UNIFORM

When the children return after the Easter holiday, they are permitted to wear summer uniform (including reception classes) and after the May half term, all children must wear the summer uniform. This is as follows:

**Girls:** Red and white striped dresses, Navy cardigan, long or short white socks (no tights). If you need to order the school dresses, these are available on the Marks & Spencer website. (Please make sure you choose the red stripes, and **NOT** pink)

**Yr 6 Girls only:** White open neck blouses and Navy skirt

**Boys:** Red polo shirt with Grey trousers/shorts and Navy jumper.

Only plain black shoes should be worn to school. Girls are not permitted to wear open toe shoes/sandals in the summer term.

Boys are **not** permitted to have close shaved hair or designs shaved on their heads.

Jumpers and cardigans **MUST** have school logo



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

If you need to book After School provision as an emergency, please try to let the office know as soon as possible.

We often have the same people frequently ringing at 3pm asking for their child to go to After School Club. The list of the children booked into the club has already been drawn up by this time. We also need to ensure we have the correct ratio of staff to children every day so it is important we have the numbers in plenty of time.

### RE-CYCLED UNIFORM SALE

A big thank you to the parents that organised the re-cycled uniform sale today. A total of £99 for the school care fund was raised in a short while.

Please make sure that all items of school uniform are clearly labelled, as any un-named uniform will be put in the next re-cycled sale



### OUTSTANDING DEBTS

As we are coming to the end of our financial year, we need to make sure that all outstanding debts are cleared.

Please make sure that all monies owed for lunches or after school club supervision are paid by next Thursday.

### BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FORMS

The forms for the first half of the summer term are now available from the front reception area. If you need supervision on the first day of next term (Monday 16 April), please make sure that you complete and hand this form in by next Thursday.

### PSA EASTER EGG HUNT

Thank you PSA for the chocolate Easter bunnies today and for organising the KS1 Movie Night

# ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2018



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<b>25th March</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY with blessing of palms</b>
6.15pm	Saturday Vigil Mass (said)
8.30am	Mass (said)
9.45am	Mass (Family)
11.30am*	Mass (Solemn)
5.30pm	Mass (with hymns)
<i>There will be a procession into Church at the 9.45am &amp; 11.30am Mass. Please assemble outside in the garden area.</i>	
<b>26th March</b>	<b>Monday in Holy Week</b>
9.00am	Confessions
9.30am	MASS
<b>27th March</b>	<b>Tuesday in Holy Week</b>
9.00am	Confessions
9.30am	MASS
12 noon	Chrism Mass in Westminster Cathedral <i>(All are welcome – no tickets required)</i>
<b>28th March</b>	<b>Wednesday in Holy Week ("Spy Wednesday")</b>
9.00am	Confessions
9.30am	MASS

\* Please note later time of Mass to avoid car park congestion

### THE SACRED TRIDUUM

<b>29th March</b>	<b>MAUNDY THURDAY</b>
8.00pm	<b>EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER</b> and watch at the Altar of Repose until Midnight Night Prayer
12 Midnight	
<b>30th March</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <i>Day of fasting &amp; abstinence</i>
9.15am	Ecumenical Walk of Witness <i>(assemble at St Cuthbert's Church)</i>
11.30am - 12.30pm	Children's workshop together with Children's Stations of the Cross <i>(Parish Centre)</i>
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b>
8.00pm	Stations of the Cross & Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross
<b>31st March</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>
9.30am	Morning Prayer
10.30am	Blessing of Easter foods <i>(Parish Centre)</i>
10.00am -1.00pm	<i>Church Cleaning – All welcome!</i> <i>During this time a priest will be available in Church to hear Confessions</i>
<b>8.00pm</b>	<b>THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT</b>
<b>1st April</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION</b>
8.30am	Mass (said)
9.15am	Blessing of Easter foods <i>(Parish Centre)</i>
9.45am	Mass (Family)
11.15am	Mass (Solemn)
5.30pm	Mass (said)

*There will be an Easter egg hunt for all the children after the 9.45am Mass*