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ST GEORGE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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16/10/2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Playtime Reminder

We have noticed an increase in rough play at playtimes, including games involving play fighting and too much physical contact. Although these games may start out as fun, they can quickly become too rough, leading to disagreements or someone getting hurt. We want all pupils to enjoy their playtime and feel happy and safe at school. Please could you talk to your child at home and reinforce the message they hear at school about playing kindly, keeping hands and feet to themselves and choosing games that are safe for everyone. Thank you for working with us to reinforce these important messages.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Monday 19th October – 5pm – 7.30pm

Tuesday 20th October – 3pm – 5.30pm

We hope you have not experienced too many difficulties in accessing our new parents' evening booking system. Please get in touch if you need any help and we will do our best to provide additional support. Thank you.

Harvest Festival

We warmly invite parents to join us for our Harvest Festival celebrations and ask that you take note of the following dates:

Thursday 22nd October – KS1 Harvest Festival at 9.30am

Friday 23rd October – KS2 Harvest Festival at 9.30am

We invite EYFS and KS1 parents/carers to join us on Thursday 22nd October, and KS2 parents/carers to join us on Friday 23rd October. If you have children in both key stages, you can choose which day to attend as the whole school will be present at both occasions.

Harvest Mass

Sunday 18th October – Harvest Family Mass at St George's Church, 9.15 am

A last reminder that our annual Harvest Family Mass takes place this year at St George's Church on Sunday 18th October. This will be at 9.15am. Selected readers will need to be available on the day and arrive at Church early, at 9.00am, so we can prepare. We hope you can join us!

Open Door Donation- if your child would like to take part in the Offertory Procession, please ensure they bring a store cupboard food donation. This could be a tin of beans, a bag of pasta or rice, or any non-perishable item. These donations can then be carried to the altar by the children during the Offertory Procession.

Uniform sale on Friday 23rd October in the Busy Room 2.45pm – 3.30pm

We will be holding a pre-used uniform sale on Friday 23rd October in the busy room from 2.45pm – 3.20pm. Various items will be on sale such as school logo sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts and a selection of grey trousers, shorts, skirts and pinafore dresses in exchange for a small cash donation. If you have any uniform that you would like to donate, please can I ask that you drop them off at Reception before next Friday. Thank you.

Illness and school attendance

We know it can be difficult to decide whether your child is well enough to attend school. The NHS provides helpful guidance explaining when children should remain at home and when they can continue to attend school with minor illnesses. We encourage parents and carers to refer to the [NHS Is my child too ill for school?](#) guidance when making this decision.

A Reminder About Safety on the School Grounds

Please can I remind all parents and carers to take extra care when driving and parking on the school grounds. At busy drop-off and collection times, patience, consideration and courtesy towards one another make a real difference. Parking can be stressful, particularly when several cars are manoeuvring at once, so please allow others the time and space they need to park safely without feeling pressured.

A few important reminders:

- Drive **slowly** and carefully at all times while on the school grounds.
- **Reverse parking** only: please ensure that you reverse into your parking space.
- Be **patient and leave space**: avoid driving bumper-to-bumper behind someone who is parking. Please allow them sufficient room to complete their manoeuvre safely.
- Use your **hazard lights**: when reversing into a space, consider switching on your hazard lights to signal to other drivers that you are still manoeuvring.
- Stay in the lane: Please **do not leave your car unattended** in the lane. Remain in your vehicle and ensure you are not obstructing other cars.

Staff will wait with the children until all cars have cleared the lane. Thank you for your patience, cooperation and consideration for one another as we work together to keep everyone safe.

Dressing for the Weather

As the weather turns colder and wetter, please ensure that children come to school dressed appropriately for outdoor play. Coats that are warm and waterproof are essential, as we aim to get the children outside in the fresh air whatever the weather. Please also ensure that coats, hats and other belongings are clearly named. Thank you for helping us to keep the children warm, dry and comfortable throughout the school day.

Keeping Contact Details Up to Date

Occasionally the school office needs to get in touch with parents about their child, for example if they were to become unwell during the school day. It is important that we have up to date contact information for all families so that we can inform you of any incidents or emergencies. Please can you contact the school office as soon as possible if you have had a change of phone number, email or home address and we will update your child's records as a matter of urgency. Thank you for your support with this.

Best wishes,

Edwina McDonnell
Headteacher

Upcoming Dates:

Monday 19th October – Parents' Evening, 5pm – 7.30pm

Tuesday 20th October – Parents' Evening, 3pm – 5.30pm

Thursday 22nd October – KS1 Harvest Festival at 9.30am

Friday 23rd October – KS2 Harvest Festival at 9.30am

Saturday, 24th October – SCHOOL CLOSED for half-term

Monday 2nd November – SCHOOL REOPENS – Autumn Term 2

Friday 27th November – SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET Day

Wednesday 4th November – Year 6 attending Mass in Church at 9.30am - parish Mass, all welcome.

Week beginning Monday 9th November – Bikeability for Year 6 pupils

Wednesday 11th November – Year 4 attending Mass in Church at 9.30am - parish Mass, all welcome.

Wednesday 18th November – Year 5 attending Mass in Church at 9.30am - parish Mass, all welcome.

Tuesday 8th Dec – Reception Class Nativity Play – 2.30pm

Wednesday 9th Dec – KS 1 Nativity Play matinee – 2.00pm

Thursday 10th Dec – KS1 Nativity Play – 6pm

Monday 14th Dec – End of Term Mass in Church, 9.30am – parish Mass, all welcome.

Wednesday 16th Dec – Carol Concert in Church, 2pm – for St George's School parents and carers.