

St George's Primary School Newsletter 2025-26 - Issue 4

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Family Newsletter



Nurturing our community through opportunities, innovation and love.

Positivity and Compassion in St George's Community



Since returning after half term the St George's community have been busy living our values and making sure that we consider others and celebrate our community in the most positive ways that we can. Already in the first few weeks back we have had:

- Our **Early Years children displaying their art work at Wallasey Village Community Centre.**
- Children supporting **Remembrance and anti-bullying week events.**
- **Authors Lauren St John and Rachel Morrisoe** delivering inspiring **author workshops.**
- Mrs Dures and our Mental Health and Well-Being ambassadors have opened up their new **My Happy Mind playground space** with a helping hand from our site managers (Mr Hales and Mr Taylor).
- Our **new outdoor classroom has opened at lower site.** This will be know as Nicky's place **in memory of Mrs Pugh.**
- We have offered additional **sessions to support our families** with our ever popular inclusion drop in fully booked out and two well received sessions from our partners in public health on self regulation and eating habits.

Remembering Mrs Pugh and Opening Our Outdoor Classroom (Nicky's Place)

*In Loving Memory
of Mrs Pugh.*



NICKY'S PLACE

'Nicky's Place' has been created in memory of Mrs Pugh, our much-loved colleague and teaching assistant who sadly died in 2025.

Mrs Pugh loved teaching outdoors. She would invite you to listen to the birds, explore the plants and other living things. This is a calm area for relaxing, learning, and being outdoors. We hope you enjoy this space. Mrs Pugh (Nicky) loved spending time here and in our Forest School areas.

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- **Our staff team held a MacMillan coffee morning and cake sale on 5th November.** We were able to open it up to families at the end of the day and are thrilled to have raised more than £635 so far. All money raised will be valued by MacMillan but it was also an opportunity for some healing in our staff team and to remember a much-loved colleague.

We were really touched that Alan, Mrs Pugh's husband was able to join us.

- **Last week we also opened our outdoor classroom (Nicky's Place).** Our new outdoor classroom at lower site and the gardens in that area are now known as 'Nicky's Place' in memory of Mrs Nicola Pugh our much-loved and valued colleague who passed away in June 2025.

Our children are already loving their new area for lessons and relaxation. At playtime and lunchtime it will be a quiet zone for exploring nature, reading, colouring and hanging out with friends. Our classroom has benches, waterproof bean bags and rugs.

A huge thank you to our amazing PTA. The outdoor classroom was funded by £30,000 of PTA funds. That is a remarkable fundraising feat. We are very appreciative of the PTA efforts.

Without their help and the resourcefulness of our site managers (Mr Hales and Mr Taylor) we could not have achieved this much needed project.

We will be holding a staff commemoration and formal opening event for Nicky's Place at the end of November.



Remembrance Day was Commemorated with Thought and Care.

Our upper site children lead on our Remembrance Day commemorations. It is a key part of their curriculum.

Our children reflected on the meaning of remembrance and contributed to the poppy display and remembrance commemoration at Claremount Church.

On Remembrance Day, our upper site children and staff stopped and came together to show their respect and remember the sacrifice of our service men and women.

British Legion Poppy Appeal has passed on their thanks for all the fundraising across both sites.

How do we stop bullying @ St George's?

- Adults must lead on expected behaviours. We have charters and rules, so everybody knows what is ok - and what is not ok
- Everybody stands up for our rights to be safe, happy and respected. We will use our 'power of good'
- Do the right thing. Look after each other. Make sure everybody is welcome, respected and included (doesn't mean everybody is your best friend)
- Always report bullying. Nobody should watch someone being harmed. Use Zumos, worry boxes, speak to a trusted adult if you are worried.



Anti Bullying Week and the Power of Good

Children in Years 3 to 6 were challenged to show their 'power of good' and make it clear that bullying has no place in our school or community.

Many children and staff participated in 'Odd Socks Day' to show their support. Across the junior school, children and staff made pledges to show their commitment to kindness and their determination to stand up to any bullying.

Mr Cassidy's pledges working with year 5, were to:

1. Always speak and act with kindness.
2. Always deal with bullying behaviour and children's worries.

Proud to Celebrate Diversity in St George's Community



We are so proud of Emily - in 6C - who has won a Merseyside Police competition! All the children on Top Site were invited to write a poem for **Black History Month**, celebrating the theme ***"Standing Firm in Power and Pride."***

As part of their learning, the children took part in a virtual BBC workshop and explored these important themes further in class. Emily's poem was chosen as a winner for the way it so thoughtfully captured both the struggle and the hope for a brighter tomorrow.

During half-term, Emily was invited to attend a special awards ceremony where she was recognised for her outstanding achievement.

Emily said she was *"Very proud of her accomplishment but also wants people to continuously continue the fight for fairness, irrespective of who you are."*

Miss Birch is delighted that we have a fully planned series of culture club events for this academic year. A huge thank to our families for offering to share their culture and heritage. We will be learning about a range of cultures, including South Africa, Namibia, Poland, Japan, Ireland and Tanzania.

You can find out more about our [Culture Club](#) and our [Culture, Diversity and Inclusion Parent Group](#) on our website.

We Love to Read @ St George's



We Love Reading at St George's.

We have been really lucky to have seven author visits in 2025. Since our last newsletter, the children have had the opportunity to work with authors Lauren St John and Rachel Morrisroe. Both authors enthused our children with their passion and performance. We thank them both for their generous time and sharing their wonderful books.

- [Lauren St John's books](#) focus on animal tales and adventures.
- [Rachel Morrisroe](#) is an award winning picture book and young reader adventure book author.

We hope that families are able to join our **Scholastic Book Fair this week**. It will be held in the Community Room at Wallasey Village Library on the following days:

- EYFS Families Monday 17th November 3.20pm - 3.40pm
- Y1-2 Families Tuesday 18th November 3.30pm - 3.50pm
- Y3-4 Families Wednesday 19th November 3.30pm - 3.50pm
- Y5-6 Families (and anyone who can't make the previous days) - Friday 21st November 3.30pm - 3.50pm

If children have siblings, you can bring them together on a day of your choice. Parents can pay online (whilst at the fair) by using a QR code and showing the staff proof of payment.

Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.

Our school will receive a commission (on new books) as a percentage of all the books sold. Last year, we received nearly £2000 to spend from your support.

We hope to see you there!



Remembering Daisy @ St George's

Fifteen months on from the heart-breaking loss of Daisy Scamp to our community, Daisy's ex class mates and family gathered to walk in her memory. Several days later, Daisy's family decorated her garden with Christmas decorations ready for our annual celebrations.

Thank you to you all for helping us ensure that Daisy remains a vital part of the St George's community.



Remembering Daisy
@ St George's

St George's - A Great Teaching Centre



Mr Cassidy and Miss Mulheirn travelled to Sunderland to receive our Great Teaching Centre accreditation. Miss Mulheirn is pictured above receiving this from Professor Rob Coe.

We are going to be one of four schools accredited globally, who will work with Evidence Based Education to develop high quality training and development.

The accreditation is testimony to the work by the whole staff team and their willingness to share their practice with other schools and colleagues.

Christmas 2025

Christmas 2025 is About Celebrating Together @ St George's. Not Gifts!



For the last seven years, all the staff at St George's have shared the same message with our families; Christmas is about the time that we spend together. That is our gift to each other.

It is about celebrating together and making our school feel special.

We love facing towards our families at Christmas but also don't want to contribute towards the pressures with families thinking that they should buy gifts for school staff. Please don't.

With many families facing challenging times we want to be clear that the best Christmas present for us is being able to celebrate as a community.

One of the poems written by our staff about this is published below



*'Twas the week before Christmas when all through the streets
the parents of St George's rushed out to buy treats.
Gifts from the children to give thanks and appreciation
to the staff at St George's who have shown great dedication.*

*But this has been another most extraordinary year, you'll agree,
and for that reason, please leave gifts at your tree.
We know you are grateful for the care that has been shown
for the safe caring environment St George's is known.*

*A place full of learning, a place full of laughter
a place where you are sure that your child is looked after.
Our gifts are the smiles and the good mornings each day
the looks on their faces, when they have freedom to play.*

*To know we have helped, to know we are there,
to know we are back together is all that we care.
So, if you would like to say thanks to staff this year,
we would be grateful if you just hold your loved ones dear.*

***Merry Christmas to all**
From the staff at St George's*

Christmas Dates

We shared our Christmas dates in newsletter 3. Reminders and updates are below.

Different events take place in different year groups. Some year groups host smaller events because they have big performances scheduled for later in the year.

There are restrictions on family numbers for these events due to limited space. Your child's year group leader will write to you about these in November.

Friday 28th November:

- **PTA Festive Hair Day** (please donate any bottle for our Christmas hampers. Could be toiletries, soft drinks, alcohol etc).
- **Christmas Decorations Go Up**

Monday 1st December:

- **F2A Christmas performance 9.15-10.15**

- **F1A** Christmas performance 10.30 – 11.30
- **F2B** Christmas Performance 2.20-3.10

Tuesday 2nd December:

- **Year 1** Christingle Service at Wallasey Village United Reform Church

Thursday 4th December:

- **F2C** Christmas performance 9.15-10.15
- **F1C** Christmas performance 10.30 - 11.30
- **F1B** Christmas performance 2.20-3.10

Friday 5th December:

- **F2D** Christmas performance 9.15-10.15

Saturday 6th December

- **Santa Dash for families** (arrival from 9:15am Race starts at 9:30am) **See poster below for details**

Sunday 7th December:

- **Year 2** Christingle Choir at St Hilary's Church 4-5pm

Tuesday 9th December:

- **Year 2** Christingle Service at Wallasey Village United Reform Church 12.45-3.15
- **PTA Christmas Discos Night 1. Tickets on sale soon**

Year 1 - 4.50-5.30

Year 2 - 5.45-6.45

Year 5 - 7-8

Thursday 11th December:

- **Grotto Visits start at lower site**
- **Year 4** Festive Family event in classes 2.30-3
- **Year 6 Violin Concerts**

6B: 09:15 - 09:45

6C: 10:15 - 10:45

6D: 11:15 - 11:45

6E: 13:30 - 14:00

6A: 14:30 - 15:00

- **PTA Christmas Discos Night 2. Tickets on sale soon.**

Year 3 - 4.50-5.30

Year 4 - 5.45-6.45

Year 6 - 7-8

Friday 12th December:

- **Year 1** Christmas Performance at Claremount Church 9.30-10.30
- **Year 2** Christmas Performance at Claremount Church 1.30-2.30
- **PTA Christmas Raffle Draw**

Monday 15th December

- **Whole School Santa Dash** - 15 minutes per class (pack your trainers and Santa hats etc)

Wednesday 17th December:

- **Claire House wear a Christmas Hat or Jumper** donation day (asking for any donation to be brought to school)
- **Year 3** Christmas performance at St Hilary's

9:45 – 10:15 – 3A and 3B

11:15 – 11:45 – 3C and 3D

- **Upper Site Christmas Lunch** (we will send home ordering details in November). Children can wear Christmas jumpers on this day,
- **Christmas Cinema afternoon in Years F1 to 6** with snack and drinks. Children can wear Christmas jumpers on this day,

Thursday 18th December:

- **Lower Site Christmas Lunch** (we will send home ordering details soon). Children can wear Christmas jumpers on this day,
- **Year 5** Carol Concert at Claremount Church 2-3pm

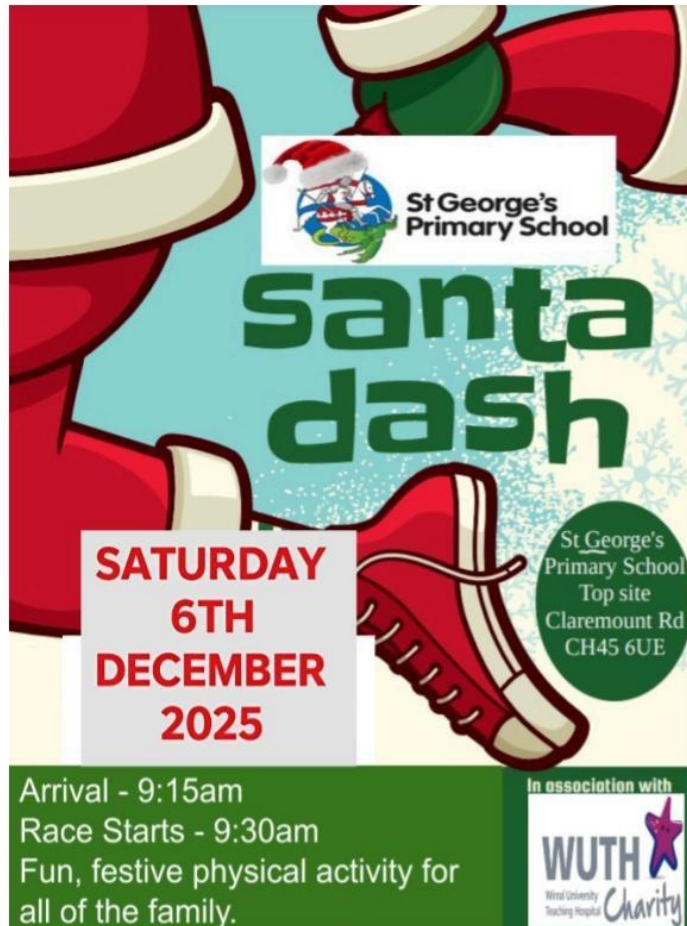
Friday 19th December:

- **Elves visiting EYFS**

- **Whole school Christmas Party Day** (children can wear party outfits or Christmas jumpers. We will provide food and drinks).

Other Christmas News:

- Please note that our **PTA have decided not to hold a Christmas Fair this year. They are holding Christmas discos nights on 9th and 11th December** (further details to follow)
- The PTA have also funded **pantomime performances on 6th and 7th January 2026.**
- **Our chosen charity will remain Claire House for this year.**



Simple Rules!

1. All the family are welcome.
2. Register online (free event):
<https://forms.gle/K5nhSdCi7WnJSDib7>
1. Turn up with your trainers, Santa hat, elf ears or just your Christmas jumper. Look and feel festive.
2. We are not asking for sponsorship but will collect donations for events to raise money for [Tiny Stars charity appeal](#). Tiny Stars is our chosen charity for this event. It supports neo-natal services at Wirral hospitals. You can read more about the charity by clicking [here](#).
3. Each family will run 2 loops using the map below. Be ready to get muddy!
4. Route will be marshalled but the road is not closed. Keep the family together.
5. Refreshments available in school hall afterwards (hot drinks, bacon sandwiches, bagels etc). No charge. Donations only.

Note that children will also be invited to undertake a class based Santa Dash in school. We will also be asking for donations for [Tiny Stars charity appeal](#).



Creating a Magical 2025 Christmas for the Community of St George's

PTA Christmas Raffle

On Friday 28th November we are inviting children and staff to come into school with festive hair, hats and hair bands. In return for decorating your heads, we would love donations of either £1 or bottles for the PTA Christmas raffle. These can be toiletries, alcohol or soft drinks. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 12th December and the list of prizes is below.



Friday 28th November
School Uniform with
Festive hats, hair and headbands
In exchange for bottles
for our raffle or
£1 donation





PTA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE





2 x £100 CASH PRIZE

Heaps of Bottle Hampers

RS Japanese Head Spa Treatment

4 Yoga Classes from Zen Den Yoga

4 Luxury Dessert Trays from Mr Shuey's

£40 Mount Everest Voucher

5 Active Wirral Swim Passes

5 Tag Active Passes from Active Wirral

Tea/Coffee and Cake from Hume in Liverpool

£20 Stollies Voucher

£10 Stollies Voucher

£5 Stollies Voucher

Afternoon Tea Voucher at Fleur Ashley

2 x £20 Nail Express Vouchers

2 Free Lessons ELC Tutoring Voucher for Year 4 or 5

£20 Voucher for Boho Brunching

£10 Delish Voucher

3 hot/cold dessert trays from JCK Creameries Ice Cream Van

1 Free Dance Class for an Entire Term at Wirral Theatre School

Free Sound Bath Voucher from Simply Sound & Healing

Facial Treatment from Flawless

Free Wash and Blow Dry from Gloss

Free Hair Treatment and Blow Dry from Helen Moore Hairdressing

1 Man/Boy's Haircut and Free Product from A Better Barbers

1 Large Wash and Dry from The Village Laundry Room

Sammy's Cookies Treatbox Voucher

Footibees Membership Voucher including Kit, Bag, Sticker Chart and a Month of Classes

2 Free classes at Popcats

£45 Voucher from Wirral Dog Groomers

£40 Baked2 Voucher

Free Tarot Reading from Anna at Predictions

4 Gulliver's World Tickets

Archery For One at Adventure Now









Updates From the School Office



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Getting Ready for Winter

The winter months mean that we all have to be more vigilant and consider safety when we travel to school. When there is a risk of severe adverse weather, including snow and ice we will try to inform you in advance. We hope the advice below helps you travel safely.

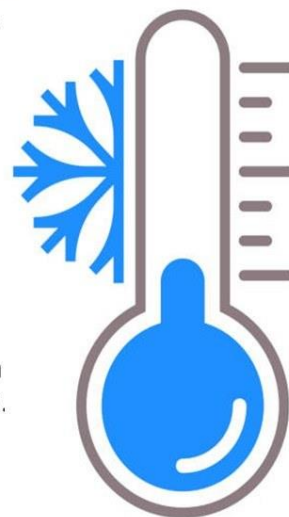
Staying Safe in Snow and Ice

(Adverse Weather)



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- **Check for communication** from school using Compass App, e-mails and school website.
- **Ensure everybody is warm** and wrapped up before you go out. Warm coats, gloves, hats, scarves all help.
- **Wear waterproof shoes.** We are happy for children to wear wellies or boots. They can even put a change of footwear (and socks if required) in their bag.
- **Be visible.** Make yourself visible in dark mornings and nights with hi viz clothing or accessories.
- **Leave early and travel safely.** Don't worry if you are late in snow and ice. Safety is more important than being on time.
- If you are using your car, travel on gritted routes and **keep cars away from school buildings.**



Staffing Updates

- **Congratulations to Mrs Roberts and Miss Hughes (Year 4)** who both gave birth to baby boys in the past few weeks., We send them, and their families, all our love and best wishes.

Mrs Lytton is currently teaching in 4C while Miss Hughes is on maternity leave. Mrs Lytton knows the class well and everyone has settled in well.

- **Miss Murphy in Year 5 will be leaving us at Christmas.** She has been appointed as the regional leader mentor for our teaching training partnership with Kingsbridge. We know that this is an excellent opportunity for her and that she will thrive in her new role.

We are really sad to be losing Miss Murphy. She is an excellent teacher and leader whose commitment to teacher development is evident in the development of many new teachers across Wirral.

Miss Murphy will continue to be a part of the St George's community and support us in training the next generation of teachers.

Our newly recruited teacher, Miss Foster will be teaching in 5E from January. We have arranged for her to work with the class and meet our families before the end of term.

- **Mrs Palmi is currently absent from school due to a medical procedure.** Miss Neal is teaching in 4E at the moment.

One of our midday assistants, Mrs S Rice, is now also a teaching assistant supporting in year 3-4.

One-off Payment for Enrichment Activities

Every year, we offer a wealth of wonderful enrichment activities for your child, from engaging visitors to inspiring hands-on experiences.

To help make these special experiences possible, we ask for a voluntary contribution of £15 for Foundation 2 to year 6 and just £5 per child for Foundation 1.

This amount goes directly towards funding these activities, ensuring every student can benefit and have a memorable, educational year. Your support makes a real difference!

To make the voluntary payment, just visit the School Fees section on the Compass app.

For more details of the enrichment activities, please visit our [website](#)

Spare Clothes/Uniform Appeal

If anyone is able to donate spare uniform or clothes to our EYFS/Year 1 groups, we would be very grateful. If the children need to change during the day, we can be short of trousers/joggers and skirts, plus underwear including tights and socks. If your child does need changing and comes home wearing spare clothes, could you please return these to school as soon as possible.

EYFS Open Day on Saturday

We are very pleased to be able to offer prospective F1 and F2 parents the opportunity to come and look around our EYFS setting this Saturday.

The open day will be held on Saturday 22nd November between 9.30 and 4pm. Children are welcome to come along as well.

Please complete the form below by 3pm on Friday if you would like to attend the AM or PM session.

<https://forms.gle/mBMgrH5qTxR49ETq7>

We also have a virtual tour on the website which you can view by clicking on this link - [Virtual Tour](#)



If you are impressed by a member of our staff team, please let Mr Cassidy and the senior staff know. You can leave a message at the school office or email us at schooloffice@stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk

The winner for October was Mrs Lytton for her support and adaptation to class 4C. She received a number of staff and parent nominations reflecting her actions and judgement, but most importantly the care and warmth that has been felt.



[Author Lauren St John](#) visited St George's upper site

Our fabulous F2 children displayed their [artwork at Wallasey Village Library](#)

Congratulations to Emily in year 6 for her [Equality competition success](#)

Upper site's [rewards cabinet](#) is overflowing!

[60-second challenges](#) with lower site play leaders

Year 6 held an [evacuation day](#) and learnt about [Remembrance Sunday](#)

Year 3 had a visit from our [IT technician](#)

[Three Year 6 children](#) won signed books thanks to their success with Accelerated Reader



Wirral Code Club is a series of free volunteer led sessions allowing kids aged 8 – 13 to learn how to code.

Over the sessions, your young coders can choose to follow either

- Scratch
- Python
- Microbit
- HTML
- CSS project pathways.

Where: Wallasey Central Library

When: Thursdays 5 til 6.

Book for free via: WirralCodeClub.org

Wallasey Village Library Books

If any children have borrowed books from Wallasey Village Library, can they be taken back once they are finished with. There are no fines, they just need to be returned.

If anyone has spare copies of Dogman, the library would also be very grateful for any donations as they are very popular!



THAT'S a LISCARD CHRISTMAS

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Thursday 27th November

5:00pm to 7:00pm

Liscard Way, CH44 5TL

**a MAGICAL
LISCARD
CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATION**

**DELICIOUS
ASDA
TREATS
TO ENJOY!**

**PLUS a
SPECIAL
GUEST!**

Join us in Liscard's town
centre for an evening
filled with festive music,
choir performances
and a Christmas
light switch-on
to remember.

Thanks to the support of

 **WIRRAL**


CHERRY TREE
SHOPPING CENTRE

Come and join us at

Messy Church

Everyone is Welcome

Craft, (55 minutes)
Children's Liturgy (15 minutes)
Refreshments (20 Minutes)

St. Alban's Parish Hall, Liscard
3.00pm—4.30pm
Sunday 14th December 2025

*** PLEASE REMEMBER YOU MUST COME WITH AN ADULT ***

Christmas Sale

Friday 21st November

Just a few things in the sale and tonnes more to buy

St Mary's Church
Fri 21st 11.30am -4pm

Wirral Hospice St John's

CHARITY CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION



**WE WELCOME DONATIONS IN RETURN FOR
COLLECTING & RECYCLING CHRISTMAS TREES!**



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CH48 | CH49 | CH60 | CH61 | CH62 | CH63 | CH64**

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please scan the QR code or visit:**



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