

St George's Primary School - Newsletter Issue Twelve

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Family Newsletter



Nurturing our community through opportunities, innovation and love.

Start of June has been a really busy time at St George's. As always, our children continue to shine.

- **Well done to all our children who have performed so well with their national tests this month.** At St George's, our approach is to ensure our children excel but do not feel pressure related to these tests and we couldn't be prouder of the way that our children have responded. **We have now completed KS1 phonics screening assessments in Year 1 and Year 4 multiplication screening tests.**

Results of all national examinations will be shared in your **child's annual reports**. These will be sent home on Friday 11th July.

- Next week, **we have one hundred of our Year 6 pupils in London for 3 days.** They have a busy itinerary of site seeing and culture. A huge thank you to our amazing staff who are supporting this residential trip. You can follow their adventures online in the news section of our website.

As outlined in our recent newsletters, we continue to manage **significant budget challenges**. Long term funding pressures mean that we must make long term restructuring savings to reduce spending by over £250,000 annually. That is about 4% of our overall budget.

These budget pressures are being felt by all schools. However, we are a full and thriving school and successful at raising additional funding through grants and other funding streams. We did not anticipate having to make further cuts to services this year.

We have already reduced SLT by nearly two posts. From September, we will have to remove one teaching class in Year 3. Since 2020, we have always regrouped the children moving to year 3 into five smaller classes. This has allowed us to provide more teaching support and smaller classes. However, this year the significant budget pressures that I have referenced in recent newsletters mean that this is not possible.

Therefore, the children will transfer to Year 3 with their current class. There will be no changes. We have already written to our Year 2 parents about this. We anticipate that they will move into 5 classes from year 4.

Senior staff and governors are disappointed at having to make this decision. Our continued commitment will be to provide the highest standards of educational and pastoral support that we can.



Getting Ready for
Transition
@ St George's

We are looking forward to
September 2025

Our Values
Respect
Resilience
Empathy
Positivity
Communication
Excellence
Self Awareness
Teamwork

St George's
Primary School

Promoting respect, resilience and excellence.

Family Events

Your children's transition days to their new year groups will be 16th, 17th and 18th July 2025.

That means your child's final day with their current class teacher will be Tuesday 15th July.

We have now set the dates for the end of year online transition events.

Invitations for these Zoom meetings have been emailed out to each year group to prevent confusion:

- **Tuesday, 1st July** 5 – 5:30pm – F2 to Year 1
- **Wednesday 2nd July** 5– 5:30pm - Year 1 to Year 2
- **Thursday 3rd July** 5– 5:30pm – Year 2 to year 3
- **Thursday 3rd July** 5.40pm – 6.10pm – Year 4 to year 5
- **Thursday 10th July** 5pm – 5.30pm – Year 3 to year 4
- **Thursday 10th July** 5.40pm – 6.10pm – Year 5 to year 6

We will also hold year group welcome and celebration family events as well as pastoral team drop in events for families in each year group. Please check your emails for dates and invitations.



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We know that good transition planning and communication is important for children, families and staff. Transition can be exciting and challenging.

There is a huge amount of important information to share on transition. In this newsletter we have tried to collate all the important information in one place.

- **All families should have received correspondence regarding planned transition events.**
- **Please note that Year 6 will receive a final letter on their child's transition camp arrangements in early July.**

Over the next five weeks to ensure that your children transition well:

1. Staff will visit classes to build up relationships,

2. Senior staff will be holding assemblies to ensure that children are well informed about transition and have the opportunity to ask questions.
3. Children will have class visits to their new classroom spaces.
4. Teachers and teaching assistants will be holding professional handover meetings to ensure that our transition is well prepared. and each child is discussed in detail with their new teaching staff.
5. Mrs Huxley and pastoral team will ensure that staff have all the information to support our children with SEND and pastoral needs. This includes pastoral drop in events.
6. We will be holding a range of family transition events and information sessions.

Families can start to prepare their children for transition using the Anna Freud tool-kits:

1. [Mentally Healthy School's Dealing With Change and Transition Toolkit](#)
2. [Anna Freud Centre's Supporting children's transition to secondary school: guidance for parents and carers](#)

The [Anna Freud Centre](#) have created a series of family resources packs to help children stay mentally healthy over a wide range of topics. [Click here for more information.](#)

Our colleagues at My Happy Mind have also shared advice on how to have [positive discussions regarding transition](#).

2025-26 Transition Classes



Current Class	New Class 2025-26	Teacher (s)
New starters	F1A	Miss J Richards
	F1B	Mrs E Noakes
	F1C	Mrs C McLean and Mrs S McKeown
Children combined from F1 and new starters	F2A	Miss C Birch
	F2B	Ms K Jones
	F2C	Mrs E Ainscough
	F2D	Mrs H Williams
F2A	1C	Mrs C Davies
F2B	1B	Miss T Price and Ms E Hughes
F2C	1A	Mrs F Molloy and Mrs R Wall
F2D	1D	Miss O Fisher
1A	2A	Mrs J Taylor and Mrs L Malloy
1B	2D	Miss S Cameron
1C	2B	Mrs N Rycroft
1D	2C	Miss B Cumming
2A	3A	Miss C Gough-Hughes
2B	3C	Mrs J Johnson and Mrs R Lewis
2C	3B	Mrs K Dures and Miss S Reil
2D	3D	Mr J Thomas
3A	4C	Miss V Hughes
3B	4A	Miss C Berry
3C	4E	Mrs K Palmi and Mrs T Skarratts-Jackson
3D	4D	Miss F Mulheirn
3E	4B	Mrs J Stewart
4A	5D	Mrs A Field-Baines
4B	5B	Mrs L Drogomireki and Miss K Bennett
4C	5A	Miss C Willacy
4D	5C	Mrs C Coleman and Mr G Nathan
4E	5E	Miss A Murphy and Mrs M Chambers
5A	6D	Mrs A Elniff
5B	6A	Ms S Spurdle
5C	6E	Mrs M Gavin
5D	6B	Mrs S Bowden Pickstock and Mrs A Roberts
5E	6C	Mr C Knowles



We are delighted to share that Mrs Chambers has been appointed as the Assistant Maths Hub Lead for Cheshire and Wirral.

While she will no longer be leading Unit 3, she will continue in her role as Assistant Headteacher, teaching in Year 5 one day a week and leading a key project aimed at closing the disadvantage gap in maths across the school.

Compass App and Portal Reminder for Families.

Can we remind all families of the importance of accessing our Compass App and Portal. Registration information can be read on our website.

We will use this over summer months to:

- Share your child's annual school report and other important information on attendance and behaviour.
- Communicate with you regarding school events.
- Send home our annual parent/carer survey.

Over the next year we will be moving most of our parental contact including after school club bookings and payments onto this platform



Code Yellow

Getting Inside for Safety

1. Listen the long beeps.
2. Ensure you are in the safest place indoors with your class.
3. Close doors and windows.
4. Wait for your teacher/adult to reassure you that everything is safe.



Code Yellow Drill

On Tuesday 17th June, we are holding our annual Code Yellow (lockdown) Drill.

This is similar to a fire drill but is a lockdown that we would use in the event of a danger on the external part of the school premises.

Danger can be caused by anything from an air quality concern or danger from intruders, loose animals etc. All schools operate lockdown drills in the same way that other public buildings do.

The children will hear a long bleep to announce the drill and will go to their classroom or nearest hall for safety.

We have called the drill Code Yellow because the language of lockdown has changed dramatically following the Covid-19 pandemic.

Previous drills have not triggered any anxiety in children. Staying safe and knowing how to manage your safety is always a good message for children. However, we know that it helps if we also update you on our safety procedures.

Potential Academy Partnership With Weatherhead and Liscard Primary School

We wanted to inform you that the Governing Body of St George's Primary School is currently exploring the possibility of the school converting to academy status and joining the established Peninsula Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) with Weatherhead High School and Liscard Primary School as our initial partners schools in this MAT.

We want to ensure that parents hear this news formally. The Governing Body is in the early stages of this process and is committed to undertaking a full and transparent consultation

with parents, carers, staff, and the wider school community before any decision is made. This is a lengthy process.

The reason we are considering this move is to explore how academy status within a strong and supportive MAT might help us to continue to deliver the highest possible standards of education; protect and strengthen our school values, and provide greater opportunities for pupils and staff. This MAT would serve our local community.

We understand that our families will want clear communication and have opportunities to share questions, thoughts and concerns. In September, we will launch a formal consultation period in which all stakeholders will be invited to share their views. We want to ensure that we enter into this consultation with well prepared information and a transparent process. We will provide further information before the end of this year about how this consultation will take place.

Sports Days 2025

Come and join us for Sports Day 2025

	AM Session		PM Session
	9:15am	10:45am	1:15pm -2:45pm
Monday 30th June	Year 5	Year 3	Year 2
Tuesday 1st July	Year 6	Year 4	Year 1
Wednesday 2nd July			Foundation 2
Thursday 3rd July	F1A- 9am-9:40am (Lowersite)		F1B 2:20pm-3pm (Lowersite)
Friday 4th July	F1C 9am-9:40am (Lowersite)		







Sports Day Reminders!

All Sports Days, except those for nursery children will be held at upper site on Claremount Road. Please check the table above for correct times.

A few important reminders:

- Please make sure that your child has their PE kit and preferably a pair of trainers in school.
- Please apply sun cream before they come to school.
- Please send them in with a sun hat and a bottle of water.

- We will not open the gate for parental access until 10 minutes before the events start.

The gate will be closed when the event starts. Families must note the school must be kept secure, you cannot leave early or enter the school building to get out.

- Photographs are allowed but parents are reminded that these are strictly for personal use and must not be shared online or on social networking sites such as Twitter (X), Bluesky, Instagram, Facebook etc.
- Children cannot be collected after sports day. They need to return to their class, collect their uniform etc.
- Don't forget the parents' races – pack your trainers!

Summer Fair 2025



Our fabulous PTA are excited to be holding their annual Summer Fair from 12-3pm on **Saturday 5th July**. They have plenty of fun activities, stalls and games planned, including donkey rides, bouncy castles, BBQ and bar.

There will also be three non-uniform donation days for families to bring items in for the fair. These will be:

- 20th June - bottle donation
- 27th June - toiletries
- 4th July - homemade cakes or £1 donation.

If you would like to help with the donation days or with the fair itself please complete the Google form below and the PTA will be in touch.

<https://forms.gle/ms4s12yUxcXCrSXP7>

We know that children always enjoy the chance to throw water sponges at Mr Cassidy at the Summer Fair, however, this year Mr Cassidy will not be here because he is attending his daughter's graduation.



Sports Showcase

Join us at upper site tomorrow, Saturday 14th June, from 1–3 PM for a FREE afternoon of fun, fitness, and family activities!

Come and **try something new** — whether you're into sports, looking to get active, or just after a great day out with the family. There's something for **everyone** — **adults and children of all ages!**

Activities include:

- Football
- Rugby
- Gymnastics
- Taekwondo
- Tennis
- Netball
- Fitness & Fun Activities
- **Inflatables & Games Zone**
- Fun challenges and more!

Speak to **professional coaches** and **health & fitness experts**. Get tips on **healthy eating** and **active living**. **Cold drinks and snacks** will be on sale from **St George's PTA**.

This is a ticketed event, so get your FREE tickets [here](#) via InDemand Radio Tickets.

Bring your energy, your friends, and your whole family – it's going to be a fantastic afternoon of **fitness, fun, and community spirit!**

We can't wait to see you there!

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On Tuesday, 15th July, children are invited to dress up as their favourite sports star in return for a donation towards our fundraiser to create a Multi Use Games Area at upper site. For more information or to make an online donation follow the link below:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/st-georges-primary-school---multi-use-games-area-1>

proud to celebrate



Department for Education are encouraging all parents to get involved in National Thank a Teacher day on 18th June. You can nominate any member of school staff.

Get involved by:

- sending a [Thank You card](#) to an amazing teacher today

- sharing your stories, messages, and videos of thanks on social media, using #ThankATeacherDay and tagging @UKThankATeacher

A simple thank you message can make an educator's day. Help us celebrate the educators who shape our future.

Dragon Club Summer Holiday Booking

Bookings for summer holidays are now open on iPAL. You can make your bookings via our website: <https://stgeorgesprimaryschool.ipalbookings.com/>



COST
£25
£23 SIBLING RATE

St George's Dragon Club

SUMMER Holidays

BOOK NOW ON IPAL

ST GEORGE'S PUPILS ONLY

Join Us for a Summer of Fun and Creativity!

Information

- Breakfast, Snacks & Drinks provided.
- Led by qualified experienced Childcare Workers.
- Children to bring their own packed lunch.

21ST JULY – 1ST SEPTEMBER
St George's Primary School, St George's Road, Wallasey. CH45 3NF
Closed bank holidays and 2nd September for INSET

OUTDOOR PLAY **COOKERY** **ARTS & CRAFTS**

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www.stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk/dragon-club
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Updates From the School Office



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Staying safe in the sun and heat @ St George's



**SPLAT ON THE SUN
CREAM BEFORE YOU
COME TO SCHOOL.
WEAR CLOTHING TO
PROTECT YOUR SKIN**



**BRING IN A WATER
BOTTLE AND KEEP IT
REFILLED. USE THE
OUTSIDE WATER
STATIONS.**



**PLAY IN THE SHADE
AND KEEP COOL.**



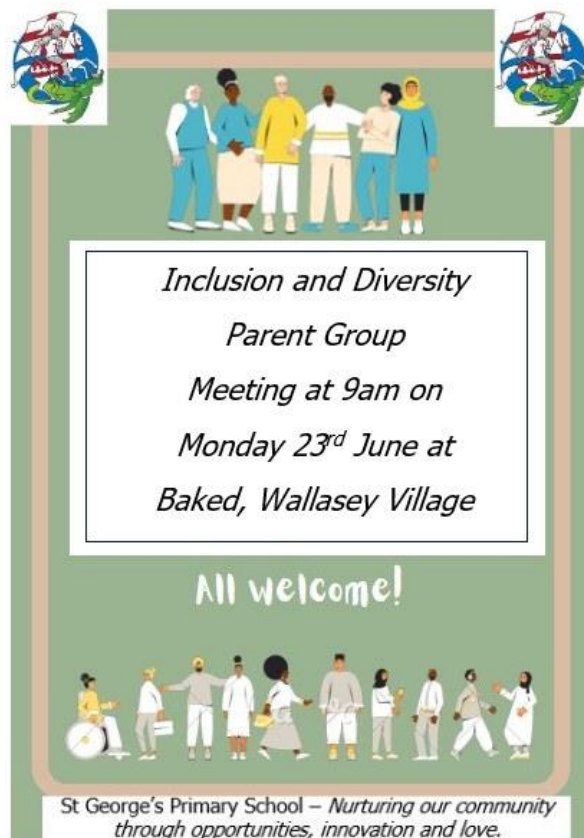
WEAR A SUN HAT.



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Please remember to take sun safety measures and ensure that your child is well prepared for sunny days. Forecast for next week is a return to hot, sunny weather.

Sun hats, sun cream and a water bottle are the key things that make a difference.



The last Culture, Diversity and Inclusion Parent Group for the year will be held at Baked on Monday 23rd at 9am.



- **Year 6 London Residential** – Monday 16th June – Wednesday 18th June
- **Sports Days** - Monday 30th June – Wednesday 2nd July
- **Year 6 Secondary Transition Day** - Wednesday 2nd July
- **Year 6 Leaver's Performance** - Tuesday 8th July. Times TBC
- **Year 6 Leavers' Disco** – Wednesday 9th July
- **Annual Pupil Reports sent home** - Friday 11th July.
- **Sports Hero Fundraiser Day** (see below)

- **Year 6 Leavers' Assembly** – Tuesday 15th July (Time TBC)
- **Year 6 Transition Camp** - Wednesday 16th – Friday 18th July
- **Whole School Transition days** - Wednesday 16th – Friday 18th July
- **School closed for Summer** – Monday 21st July

Job Opportunities at Weatherhead

Our colleagues at Weatherhead are keen to recruit in the Wallasey community.

Weatherhead High School is currently recruiting to the following roles:

- **Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) for Inclusion**
- **Level 3 Teaching Assistant (SEND)**

These are fantastic opportunities for individuals who are passionate about supporting young people from our local community and making a real difference in their educational experience.

The **HLTA for Inclusion** role is diverse and rewarding, involving responsibilities such as leading the school's off-site provision for students who find school attendance challenging, working closely with families and supporting students transition back into mainstream.

The **Level 3 Teaching Assistant** will work as part of Weatherhead's dedicated SEND team, providing tailored support to students with additional needs to help them thrive in our inclusive learning environment.

As a large, fully comprehensive school, these roles offer the opportunity to make a genuine impact on the lives of the students who attend Weatherhead.

If you feel you have the skills and experience required, you can apply using the link below:

<https://weatherheadhigh.co.uk/join-us/work-with-us/>

Job Opportunities at St George's

Please follow the links below for more information about a playworker vacancy in Dragon Club and a KS2 TA (Send, Pastoral and Classroom Support) vacancy:

Playworker - <https://www.stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk/Playworker-13062025112122/>

TA - <https://www.stgeorges.wirral.sch.uk/KS2-Teaching-Assistant-SEND-Pastoral-and-Classroom/>

Secondary Summer Stress Buster SENDLO Marketplace



SOUTH WIRRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Where Every Student Matters & Every Student Thrives

Plymyard Avenue, Eastham, Wirral, CH62 8EH

WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE, 4-6 PM

Help to help you support your SEND young people over the summer break.

- Specialist teams to provide advice and share resources.
- Community Organisations with details of their peer and family support
- General SEND support and advice
- All Parents and Carers of Wirral SEND children and young people welcome. No need to book.



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WIRRAL'S LOCAL OFFER OF SEND SERVICES

 **WIRRAL**

Wirral Council is hosting summer stressbuster events to help families support their children and young people with Special Education Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) as they navigate the changes and uncertainty that starting a new academic year brings.

The upcoming events each have a focus on the changes that can cause anxiety and extra challenges for children and young people with SEND, such as a new teacher, new routine or timetable and or a new setting.

Starting a new academic year can be a tricky time for anyone, but for children and young people with SEND there can often be more challenges to overcome. The changes on the horizon can lead to increased anxiety over the summer holidays. These marketplace-style

events give families the chance to meet services and community organisations that offer SEND support face to face.

These events are completely free, and parents don't need to book, just turn up on the day. They are open to all parents and carers of children and young people with SEND in Wirral. They are welcome to bring along their children and young people. There will be practitioners from health, education and care ready to share advice and resources that can help you support your children and young people as they navigate change and uncertainty. Families will also be able to talk to representatives from the following teams in Wirral Council:

- Educational Psychologists
- Inclusion
- Mental Health Support
- School Readiness
- Post 16"

For more details, see the flyer above or visit the website: [SENDLO Live Summer Stressbusters](#).



Some things can be difficult to talk to your child about. When there are changes in family life or worrying world events, you might not know how to start the conversation.

Action for Children is sharing advice on talking to your child about some big issues. If you need some guidance on talking to your child about another topic, you can ask one of the parent coaches on [our web chat and WhatsApp service](#).

Advice includes talking to your child about:

- Climate Change
- Money and finances
- Gender equality, sexism and misogyny
- Bereavement
- Consent
- Other difficult topics

<https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/>



Bidston Golf Club is running a golf summer school for children aged 5 and above who have never played golf but want to know how.

This programme is supported by the Golf Foundation / England Golf and by Wirral Golf Academy.

They are offering 2-hour sessions, the first being Monday 28th July and then the following 5 weeks. To book on and for more information please follow the QR code in the leaflet or click on the link below:

[Golf Days](#)



Bidston Golf Club

Bidston Golf Club prides ourselves as putting 'accessible, affordable and friendly' into everything we offer. We are committed to allowing children access to safe, outdoor spaces and allowing them to have fun, find challenges, develop and grow.

In conjunction with **Wirral Golf Academy, England Golf Foundation and England Golf** we are offering a 2 hour, taster session **28 July**, followed by an optional 5 week course. Taking you from learning basic skills to playing golf!

Age: 5 and upwards



Sign up @ the-wirral-golf-academy
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Email: bidstonjuniors@gmail.com



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