

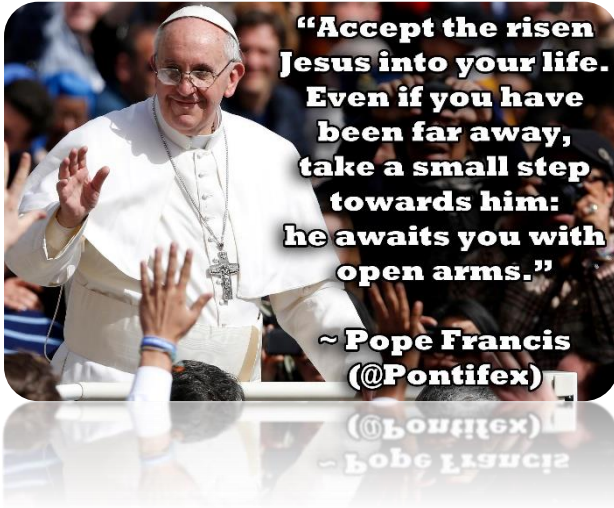


# St George's R.C Primary School Newsletter

Easter Season / May 2017

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## SATS WEEK 2017

Year Six SATS start on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Breakfast will be served in the school hall from 8:30am Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>

GOOD LUCK to all of our Year Six children. You have all worked really hard over the past 7 years at school and we are all very proud of you already.

Now it's your chance to show off and let other people see what we know you can do!



## CAKE SALES!

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 4

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 3

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 2

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May ~ Year 1

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June ~ Reception

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June ~ Year 6

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June ~ Year 5

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June ~ Year 4

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July ~ Year 3

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July ~ Year 2

Please send in homemade cakes ~ or even shop bought cakes ~ for our cake sales.

Cakes will be sold for 30p each.

All proceeds from the cake sales go straight to the class to help pay for summer trips at the end of the year or additional fun activities for your children.



## Staffing News

Good news and sad news.....

**Sad News:** Our amazing Miss Ellie Thompson will be leaving us at the end of the year to take up a very exciting position at a school in LONDON!

We wish Miss Thompson every good wish for the future. We will be keeping in contact with her so that we can keep sharing lots of brilliant ideas and good practice!

**Good News:** We are delighted to welcome a new permanent teacher to school ~ Miss Sophie Knowles ~ who will be working in year 4 for the summer term with Mrs Butler and will then be teaching year 1 from September 2017.

We are also delighted to welcome Miss Nicola Gray to the teaching team after finishing her teacher training year. The excellent Miss Gray will be teaching the reception class from September 2017.

We are also really pleased to be able to welcome the highly experienced and fantastic Mrs Janet Butler as a PERMANENT member of staff from September 2017.

## Summer term 2017

Nursery	Mrs Walker
Reception	Miss Thompson
Year 1	Miss Casimo
Year 2	Miss Bikinshaw
Year 3	Mr Farrow
Year 4	Mrs Butler (M,T,W) and Miss Knowles (T,F)
Year 5	Mr de Koning
Year 6	Mrs Stevens (M,T,W) and Mrs Clark (W,T,F)

## From Autumn term 2017 – 2018

Nursery	Mrs Walker
Reception	Miss Gray
Year 1	Miss Knowles
Year 2	Miss Birkinshaw
Year 3	Mr Farrow
Year 4	Mrs Butler (M,T,W) and Miss Casimo (T,F)
Year 5	Mr de Koning
Year 6	Mrs Stevens (M,T,W) and Mrs Clark (W,T,F)

## Social media problems.....

We are continuing our online safety and online behaviour work with the children. We are using different programmes in school to explain how to keep safe online. These programmes have been developed with CEOP. This is their web address: <https://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre>

Please do have a look at this at home with your children. Year 6 are also doing some special online safety work with Mrs Humphries as they learn how to BLOG safely online.

Mr de Koning conducted an in-school survey, and found that, at the moment, our children mainly use the following social media apps at home to keep in contact with each other: Instagram, Snapchat and Roblox.

Young people are supposed to be 13 before they are allowed on Instagram and Snapchat. Some of our years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 children regularly use these programmes.

Roblox has been widely criticised for having no filtering on it ~ this means your child can talk to people they DO NOT KNOW. It is very difficult to convince children that as adults we DO know what we are talking about. However, it is really important that we all continue to have open discussions with the children to warn them of the online dangers of talking to people that they would not talk to in the 'real world'.

We are also having some issues with children believing that TYPING mean and disrespectful things online is not the same as SAYING them to someone face to face. The children do not seem to realise that once something is online it is not only available for ANYONE to read, it becomes the property of the social app and it is there FOREVER. Photos and words cannot be deleted. They can be deleted from your own devices but they remain in the i cloud FOREVER.

**Children only THINK they know.**

