



St George's R.C Primary School Newsletter

December 2016

Headteacher: Mrs Dee Statham



We would like to wish all of our children and families a very happy and Holy Christmas!
From everyone in the St George's Team xxx

Staffing News ~ from January ~ Spring Term 2017

We are very excited to be welcoming Mrs Stevens back to our team. We are also delighted that Mrs Butler will be staying with us.

Year Six will be taught by Mrs Clark and Mrs Stevens. Mrs Humphries will continue to be the assistant teacher and Mrs Butler will work with small groups of children from year six on Friday mornings.

Mr Redmond will continue to teach year 4 every day apart from Fridays when year 4 will be taught by Mrs Butler. (Year 6 group work will take place while year 4 are swimming).

We think you will agree that this is an exceptionally strong and outstanding team of teachers and we look forward to seeing our children continue to make excellent progress with their learning.

In the second half of the Spring term we will be welcoming a student teacher to our team who will teach some lessons in year 4 and will be mentored by Mr Redmond.

Year Six Parents' Information Meeting! DIARY DATE!

We are holding a special meeting for our year six parents on WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18th at 2:30 in the year six classroom. At this meeting we will talk about SATS preparation and our expectations for work in the Spring and Summer terms. We will also explain about our new homework assignments for year six and share with you the expectations for end of year writing, maths and reading.

We have very high expectations of the children and we want them to be the very best that they can be.

We look forward to seeing you on the 18th.

Wear your Christmas Jumper to school on Friday 16th December. Please bring £1 ~ all donations go to the SVP ~ a Church based charity helping vulnerable people in the local community!



School dinners are proving to be very popular at the moment ~ WITH THE TEACHERS! We are not sure if it's because the food is genuinely delicious or because we now eat the meals in the dining hall with our children and enjoy a lovely lunchtime chat!



St George's RC Primary School ~ Christ at The Centre



St George's Roman Catholic Primary School York



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Thank you to everyone who joined us for our star gazing live event! It was a really interesting evening! Being able to hold the meteorite was very special and exciting!

The society contacted us to suggest 2 telescopes that you might wish to put in your letter to Father Christmas. Jim from the society said:

*"The 2 telescopes I would recommend are the **Meade** telescope for £49. This is an 82mm scope and it gives good views of large objects like the Moon and the Pleiades cluster and can magnify with good resolution up to about 60 times magnification. The second one I would recommend is the **Skywatcher** 100 mm for £96. I have one of these and I use it much more than my other two bigger scopes because it is so easy to use and for most easily visible objects in the night sky it's perfectly adequate. Great for the Moon and planets as far away as Saturn. It magnifies with good resolution up to about 80 times."* **THANK YOU JIM!**

Parents survey results!

We had 72 / 130 surveys returned which is great ~ a 55% return ~ thank you very much.

Question	strongly agree	agree	disagree	strongly disagree	don't know
My child is happy!	72				
My child feels safe	57	15			
My child makes good progress	61	9	2		
My child is well looked after	62	8	1		1
My child is taught well	65	6			1
My child gets appropriate homework	59	10		1	2
St George's makes sure pupils are well behaved	57	15			
St George's deals effectively with bullying	58	9	1		4
St George's is well led and managed	57	12	1		2
St George's responds well to my concerns	63	8	1		
I receive valuable info. about progress	58	12	1		1
WOULD YOU RECOMMEND ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL TO ANOTHER PARENT?	YES = 71		NO = 1		

100% of you told us that your child is happy at St George's!!! We are very happy about that!

99% said they would recommend St George's to another parent! Thank you.

There were LOADS of positive comments, lots of 'THANK YOUs' and some lovely stories on your feedback forms. Thank you. We loved reading them all. They made our day!

There were some really positive comments on the 'great communication' and lots of you said it is so easy to keep up to date with events by just looking on the website. Lots of you said you LOVE the calendar of events for the whole year and the Masses and Celebrations lists on the website. Thank you. Glad you like them.

We all work really hard ~ because we LOVE what we do ~ and we do it for the children. We want your children to be the best that they can be: academically, spiritually, morally and socially.

~ The prize draw was won by Mr William Moore. Please pop into the office to collect your prize! ~

