

# *St. George's Catholic Primary School and Nursery*

*Mr Pete Chapman BA (Hons) - Headteacher*

*Dennett Close, Maghull, Liverpool. L31 5PD*

*Tel: 0151 288 6630*

*Email: [admin@stgschool.uk](mailto:admin@stgschool.uk)*

*Website: [www.st-georgesprimary.com](http://www.st-georgesprimary.com)*



**30<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Dear Parents

Where did September go? It seems like just last week the children came back and yet, here we are, just over 4 weeks in! It must mean we're busy, or just getting older, as the children think they've been back in school forever!

This week's Collective worship follows on from last weeks theme, as the children in school think about what their own mission statement looks and feels like. Their ideas go a long way to demonstrating their understanding of the Gospel Values and what it means to be a member of our St George's family, inside and outside of school.

## **OUR PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Our Fantastic Pupil Leadership Team (PLT) presented their first assembly of the year last Friday afternoon. It was dedicated to the joy of reading and the new learning it can bring. They did an exceptional job with a great presentation for both KS1 and KS2 children. They also took a lot of questions from the floor – some quite challenging – but coped beautifully.

Our team is made of Shae and Alex (from Y5) along with Lewis, Niamh and Amelia (from Y6). And, there is one place left so there may well be a round of PLT interviews in the next week or two for their final member.

They represent all of our children and will be responsible for meeting with the staff leadership team, showing visitors around, making some decisions, presenting assemblies to the children and living out our school mission statement. We are so proud of them!

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Miss Orr has asked all classes to hold their democratic elections for our new members this week. We are looking forward to seeing who the children vote for to represent them this year. Their role is to liaise with staff and discuss changes and ideas for the school. They will canvas the children in their own classes, bring ideas forward and disseminate the information, decisions and ideas. It's a vital role for the children in school and so important so we are able to listen to our children and support them in ways they feel will be appropriate. We'll let you know the team next week. However – we really won't be installing the swimming pool or zip line that so many children desire!!!

## **PTA INFORMATION**

Your children will have brought home a flyer today with all the information on for the Halloween Family Disco on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October. The PTA have organised all their events for the year and this one kick starts their great programme of entertainment. Huge thanks to them for their time and energy in organising, printing and trying so hard to help raise funds to benefit the children.

*To learn with kindness, respect and friendship through God's love*

### **PARENTS' APPOINTMENTS**

Next week, we'll be letting parents know the dates for the first parents' meetings of the year. This will follow the online route. It is an opportunity for you to check in with your child's class teacher and see how they have settled into the new academic year. Naturally, as there are 30, or over, appointments to allocate over the day, they are kept to a tight timetable. However, as we always say, if you ever have any concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher before then, or at any point throughout the year. We would always advise parents to call up and make an appointment if you have concerns or need to discuss anything with teachers. Never leave worries or concerns until a parent appointment. Our aim is to ensure that you, and most importantly your children, are happy at school and engaged in their learning.

### **NEW NURSERY OUTDOOR DEVELOPMENTS**

Parents who have children in Nursery and Reception will have noticed some new resources starting to roll in for our younger children. It's a really exciting time as we've had to wait for a long time to save reserves to afford the new additions. We still haven't got the funds for all we have ordered but we are delighted the PTA have offered their support to fundraise for some individual items. It will be amazing to say... 'our parents bought that' when we show people around our lovely school. So far, we have a maths shed, writing shed, new stage area and some fantastic trail blocks that arrived just last night!

We are still looking forward in anticipation of the arrival of a large traversing wall, a climbing structure, twirly bars and a deluxe mud kitchen! It will be an amazing outdoor learning environment and the children will love it!

### **SPORTING SUCCESS**

Huge congratulations to all the children who took part in the first cross-country event of the season. It was a cold night but that didn't stop our sporty sensations! They did themselves, and the school, proud. A special well done to Tia and Letty who took 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in their Y5 race – exceptional.

Unfortunately, because of the weather (typically British) the football tournament that our boys should have been in tonight has been cancelled, but their time to shine will come!

A special THANK YOU to the parents for their support at the event and for helping with transport. We couldn't do it without you!

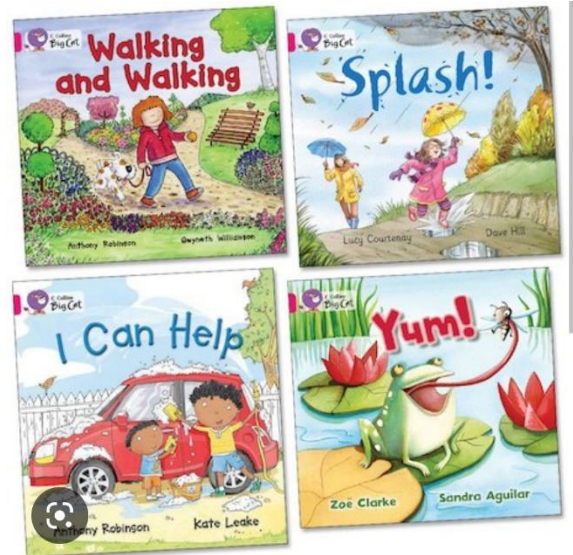
### **OUTDOOR STAGE / EYFS / TRIM TRAIL**

We have spent a huge amount of money on some great outdoor provision for our children to have in their school. Can we politely remind parents that children should not be using these areas before or after school. We are responsible for the health & safety of our children from 9.00am until 3.30pm. Parents are responsible for children outside of these times and should ensure that their children are not playing and climbing on equipment that could cause them to fall if unsupervised. I have reminded children in our assembly today so your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

## **BOOK SALE**

You'll be aware that we have invested heavily in our new Big Cat Collins books for KS1 in recent years. We've also invested further after we took on Little Wandle Phonics as recommended by the DfE.

The books are written to be perfectly attune to Little Wandle so some of our first books purchase have been slightly altered. Therefore, we have some high-quality books, almost new, and some brand new, for sale. They might have just one or two words in each that don't perfectly match but would be a great addition for use at home. We will be selling these books off next Monday and Tuesday for just 50p each, or 3 for £1.00. please come to the exit adjacent to the Year 5 classroom on the path to the reception door. They're a real bargain!

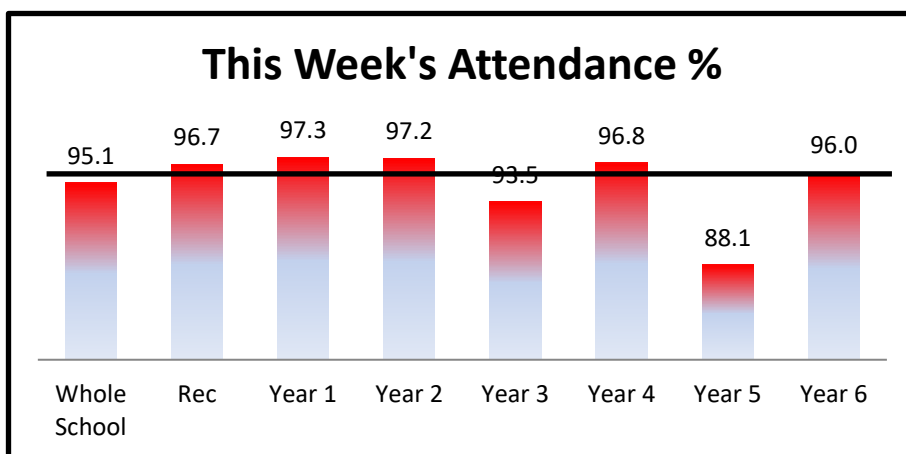


## **FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME**

We have sent the letter from Mersey care out again this week which contains the important link for parents to sign their child up for the flu nasal spray. If parents don't fill out this form, the school nurses will not be able to administer the spray to your child. The date was changed at the start of this week so the nurses will be in school on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**. Can you please ensure that the form has been completed before this date. Many thanks.

## **ATTENDANCE**

This week's attendance can be seen below. **The school target is 96% - as represented by the black line.** WOW – well done to 5 classes who had great attendance this week.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend, and hopefully some dry spells!

Mr P. Chapman  
Headteacher

*To learn with kindness, respect and friendship through God's love*