



# February Newsletter 2023

"Faith We live it, Love it And Learn it.



Dear Parents/carers

As a school we have been focusing on Laudato Si' Pope Francis' letter on Care of our common home.' We are reminded that it is our responsibility to care for our world for future generations.

We have also focused on the principles of Catholic Social teaching . Please ask your children about their learning, hopefully they are becoming more knowledgeable about how we can consider the needs of others. Here are two of the displays of the children's learning in the hall.



Please visit our school website

<https://www.stgandt.solihull.sch.uk/>

Our Written Calculations Policy is available if you want to look at the methods we use for teaching the four rules of number.

*Best wishes Mrs. K. Bickley*

## Reflection for the month of February

The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In Luke's gospel we're told the Holy Family went each year to the temple for the feast of Passover. Jesus was obedient to his mother and father and Mary and Joseph showed their obedience and faith, praying together throughout their lives. Through prayer we too can become a holy family.

Ask the children to share their favourite prayer with you.

**The Power of Prayer** In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus teaches the Lord's Prayer after one of the disciples asks, "Lord, teach us to pray." Jesus taught his disciples how to pray and so gives us a model for prayer.



During our weekly Gospel Prayer Service. We have been learning our new school prayer.

Dear Heavenly Father,

Help me to be the person you call me to be today.  
Guide me to do the right thing and follow our school values in all that I do. Saint George, pray for us. Saint Teresa, pray for us. Our Lady and All Saints. Pray for us. Amen



## Attendance

Well Done to Year 6 for excellent attendance during the month of January.



Nursery	92%
Reception	94%
Year 1	93%
Year 2	94%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	93%
Year 6	96%

## Dates



### **Classes will be going to Mass on Tuesdays for Mass at 10am**

7th February Year 2

Parent Consultations

3rd February Years 2 and 6

6th February Nursery and Reception

7th February Years 1 and 3

8th February Years 4 and 5

### **Spring Term 2**

27th February 2.00pm Whole School Thanksgiving Mass for Confirmation

Year 3 Reconciliation Service : Date to be confirmed.

1st March 10.00am First Holy Communion Enrolment Meeting at school

4th March 5:30pm First Communion Enrolment Mass  
NB Change of Dates with Fr. John.

Congratulations are offered to Mrs Lauren Hailstone-Li who is expecting her first baby



All being well we are hoping Mrs Hailstone-Li will be with our year 3 children for most of the academic year. If these current arrangements change I will of course keep the year 3 parents informed.

Let us keep Mrs Hailstone-Li and Mrs Fahy in our prayers.

**The parent consultations** will commence from Friday 3rd February. These consultations during the school day are not the norm but are arranged at this time of the year to give you more time to meet the teacher.

Please note: We will hold out next parents meetings after the school day has finished.

## **Safer Internet Day – 7th February 2023**

This year's theme, is "Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online". Questions for us all to consider are



What issues really matter to children?

What changes do they want to see?

How can we all work together to advocate for them moving forward?

At St George and St Teresa's on Safer Internet Day we will focus on sharing key online safety messages, with the children age appropriate.

We know children go on line to play games, use social media platforms and interact with their friends and peers. However, this can mean that unfortunately some children experience negative behaviour such as meanness, bullying and swearing. The safety and wellbeing of the children is crucial and we support them in making the right choices. Thank you for supporting your child/children whilst on line.



Please don't forget our Number Day on **Friday 3rd February.**

Children please 'Dress up for Digits' Can you wear clothes with numbers on— football shirts, hoodies, tee-shirts?

If you want to be really creative dress in a maths or numbers theme.

We are hoping to raise as much as we can for the NSPCC, please bring a donation of £1.00



Thank you so much for your support with this event—hopefully St George and St Teresa's can make a huge difference with our donations.

