ST GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome slides Year 5/6

2025-26

Meet the teacher Miss Dembry



I am delighted to be your child's new teacher this year. I can't wait to work with you all – I am really excited for the fantastic year we have ahead of us.

Over the coming weeks, I'll be spending a lot of time getting to know your child — their interests, strengths, learning styles, and the unique qualities they bring to the classroom. At the same time, I look forward to getting to know you and working in partnership to support your child throughout the year. Your insights and involvement are incredibly valuable.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns, or simply to say hello. I look forward to meeting many of you in person soon and beginning this exciting journey together.

Throughout Year5/6, children will also have the support from <u>Mrs</u> <u>Caroll (teaching assistant)</u>









Important dates

SATS (Statutory Assessment Tests)

W/b 11th May 2026

SATs Meeting

Date to be confirmed, information will follow.



Secondary school application deadline – 31st October 2025

Apply for a school place | Newcastle City Council

Year 6 Residential – more information to follow

Expectations

Children are expected to attend school every day. If there are any issues with attendance please contact the office immediately.

A positive attitude to learning is vital in Y5/6. The curriculum is fast-paced and children are expected to work their hardest at all times.



Independence

We promote independence and being responsible in Upper Key Stage 2. Please promote this at home too, this will help the child evolve and give them an increased sense of confidence and ownership. This will also help with their transition to Year 6/ secondary school.



Interventions

Additional support for all pupils will be available. Some will be structured and completed weekly, other support will be ad hoc and react to the children's needs.

<u>SATs Booster Group (Year 6)</u>

A booster group will hopefully start after October half term.

<u>Assessments</u>

Children will complete more regular assessments throughout Year 6 in preparation for the SATs tests.



<u>Behaviour</u>

Positive behaviour rewards include: greenies, cubes in the jar, praise and house points.

Negative behaviour sanctions include: verbal warnings, written warnings and discussions.

E-safety

Please see the 'Online safety' section on our website:

<u>St George's Catholic Primary School -</u> <u>Online Safety</u>





<u>School Uniform</u>

Uniform must be worn each day except PE days. Large bows, extreme haircuts are not permitted in school. Avoid wearing jewellery on PE days and only wear <u>one</u> pair of small stud earrings in school.

Pupils are expected to wear the following PE kit on their allocated PE day:

- Plain white round neck t-shirt
- School jumper (not hoody) (with or without school logo)
- Black/navy blue shorts, black/navy blue tracksuit bottoms or black/navy blue leggings (without any "sports" branding or corporate logo);
- Trainers



<mark>Lunches</mark>

All children eat lunch together in the hall whether they bring their own packed lunch or have school dinners.

To promote a healthy lifestyle and maintain the school's Healthy Schools Accreditation, we would love to see children's packed lunches being as healthy as they can be!

We would ask that fizzy drinks, energy drinks, sweets, chocolate (including chocolate biscuits), crisps and cakes are excluded from lunch boxes where possible.

We would also like to remind parents that due to allergies, nut products are not allowed to be brought into school. There are many ideas on the school website regarding healthy packed lunch if anyone needs inspiration!

<u>Water</u>

All children need a water bottle, they need to be filled with water at home and brought to school each day. It is very important that the children have a water bottle as we do not have spare cups in Key Stage 2.



Medicines

The office must be aware of any medication coming into school. Please ensure all inhalers are in school.

Breakfast Club / After School Club

These are open and available if needed.

Mobile phones

We have a box in class to store mobile phones if the children bring them to school. Children bring in phones at their own risk and we cannot be responsible for them. Phones must be turned off before children enter school and only turned on again after leaving the school grounds.



<u>Social Media</u>

<u>School Facebook</u>

Social media is a 'snapshot' of life in school and will be updated regularly but it is not a record of each individual child.

School's Facebook is a closed group, so it's safer here than on the school website or anywhere else!

<u>Photo consent</u>

Please ensure we have up to date photo consent for your child.



<u>Homework</u>

<u>Year 5</u>

Children will be set weekly homework. Homework will be given on a Tuesday and collected the following Tuesday. Children will have:

Spellings, times tables and a reading Eggspress assignment

<u>Year 6</u>

Children will be set weekly homework<mark>. Homework will be given on a Tuesday and collected the following Tuesday</mark>.

Tasks will differ each week but will focus on the basic skills of reading, maths, grammar and spelling. Homework is given in Year 6 to consolidate learning and to help the children prepare for the transition to secondary school. We would very much appreciate it if you would check your child's homework with them.

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It is an expectation that both year groups have at least 1 reading comment in their reading records each week (can be their own comment or someone they have read with).

<u>Homework</u>

Spellings

spellings will be given out on a Tuesday and tested the following Tuesday. Spellings can be practised on Spelling Shed - the children have individual logins for this site.

<u>Times Tables</u>

children can practise their times tables using the Times Tables Rockstars app. Even children who confidently know their tables can benefit from regular practice to maintain fluency.



Any questions? year6@stgeorges.org

