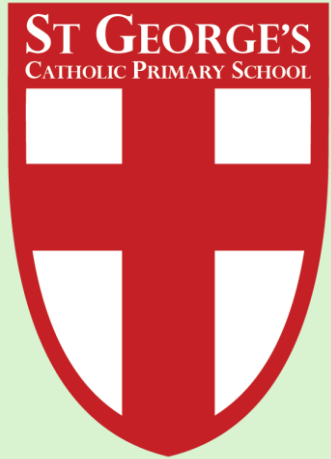


Welcome Information

Year 1 and 2

2026/2027

Meet the teacher



Hello! My name is **Miss Summerbell**, and I am excited to be your child's teacher this year!

I graduated from Northumbria University with a BA (Hons) in Primary Education with Qualified Teacher Status (QTS). Throughout my training, I gained valuable experience working with children across a range of year groups, supporting their learning, wellbeing and confidence. I was then delighted to join the brilliant team at St George's, where I have continued to develop my passion for helping children thrive.

My goal is for every child to feel happy, safe, included and proud of themselves. I love seeing children discover new things, build confidence and celebrate their progress along the way. I can't wait to see what we achieve together!

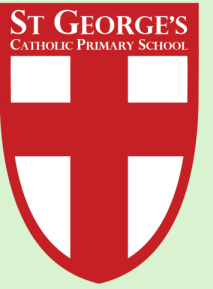
Your child's learning journey is incredibly important, and I believe that a strong partnership between home and school plays a vital role in their success. I look forward to working closely with you throughout the year to support, encourage and celebrate your child's progress.

Here at St George's, our aim is to grow and learn through faith, love and laughter, and I'm excited to share this journey with your child.

Year 1 and 2 Overview

Term 1A

Year 1/2 Draft timetable – Autumn										
Monday	Morning Task 8.45am Registration and Prayers	Monday Message Collective Worship	Handwriting Y1 Phonics Y2 Jungle club		PE		Maths	RE	History	
Tuesday		Tuesday Choice	Handwriting Djembe music		English Guided reading		Maths		Art	PSHE
Wednesday			Handwriting Y1 Phonics Y2 Jungle club		English Guided reading		Maths	RE	Computing	Wednesday Worship
Thursday		Thursday Thoughts Mass	Handwriting Y1 Phonics Y2 Jungle club		English Guided reading		Maths	RE	Science	
Friday			Handwriting Y1 Phonics Y2 Jungle club		Spellings Guided reading		Maths	Faith Friday - EYFS Library		Golden Time



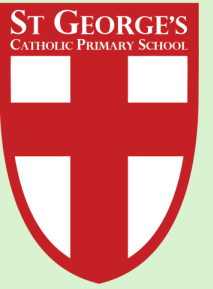
Expectations

Attendance Expectations

We believe that consistent attendance is essential for your child's learning, progress and wellbeing. We encourage all children to attend school every day and arrive on time, ready to learn and make the most of each school day.

Behaviour Expectations

We have high expectations for behaviour and encourage all children to be kind, respectful, responsible and ready to learn. We want our classroom to be a happy, safe and welcoming place where everyone feels valued and included. Children are encouraged to listen to others, follow instructions, make positive choices and take responsibility for their actions. We will celebrate positive behaviour and work together to support children in developing confidence, independence and respect for themselves and others.



Expectations

Medication

If your child requires medication during the school day, please ensure that this is clearly labelled and handed to the appropriate member of staff, in line with the school's medication policy. We ask that parents/carers provide any necessary instructions and complete the required forms so that medication can be administered safely. Please keep us informed of any changes to your child's medical needs or medication.

Photo consent

Please keep your child's photo consent preferences up to date and let us know if there are any changes throughout the year. Photographs may be taken during school activities and events to celebrate and share your child's learning and achievements, in line with the school's photo and media policy. If you have any questions or would like to update your consent, please speak to the school office.

Expectations



Uniform

School uniform is worn at St George's Catholic Primary to give our children a sense of identity and pride in our school.

Our school uniform consists of

- Grey pinafore or skirt
- Grey trousers
- White polo shirt
- Bottle green jumper or cardigan
- Black school shoes (not Trainers)

Green and white checked dress/playsuit may be worn by girls and grey shorts by boys or girls in the summer term.

Children are welcome to wear unbranded, plain jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts, provided they are in school colours (bottle green and white)

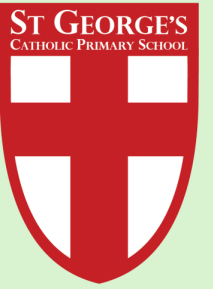
We do have a selection of 'pre-loved' uniform items in school, please speak to the office if you would like to access some of these items.

PE Kit remains:

- -Black/navy blue shorts, black/navy blue tracksuit bottoms or black/navy blue leggings (*without any "sports" branding or corporate logo*)
- -Plain white round neck t-shirt
- -Trainers

The Year 1 and 2 PE session is every **Monday**.





Expectations

Homework

Homework plays an important role in helping children to practise, reinforce and build on the learning they are doing in school. We really value your support at home and encourage children to take pride in completing their homework to the best of their ability.

Each week, your child's book bag will contain everything they need to support their learning at home. This will include a spelling book, maths homework book, reading record, two reading books matched to their reading level, and a library book to encourage reading for pleasure. Please ensure that book bags are brought into school each day so that we can support your child's reading and keep resources organised.

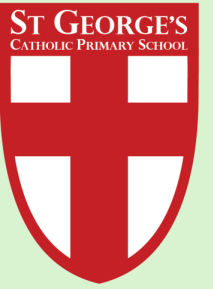
Spellings will be sent home every Friday, and children will be tested on these the following Friday. We encourage children to practise their spellings regularly throughout the week.

Maths homework will be sent home every two weeks and should be completed and returned by the given date. We kindly ask that a grown-up writes a short comment underneath the completed task in the maths homework booklet. This helps us to understand how your child found the activity and any areas they may need further support with.

Reading is a very important part of your child's learning. Children will read individually with an adult in school every Friday and may also be heard throughout the week. We ask that children read regularly at home and that a grown-up records a short comment in their reading record about their home reading. When a comment has been added, children will receive a 'Greenie' reward card to celebrate their effort and commitment to reading at home.

Library books will be changed every Friday.

Please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any questions, concerns or difficulties accessing the homework. We are always happy to help and work with you to find a solution that supports your child.



Expectations

Packed Lunch

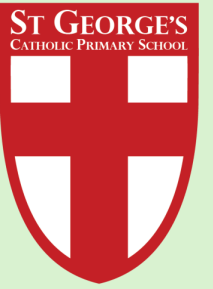
To promote a healthy lifestyle and support our Healthy Schools Accreditation, we encourage children's packed lunches to be as healthy and nutritious as possible. We kindly ask that fizzy drinks, sweets, chocolate (including chocolate biscuits), crisps and cakes are not included in lunch boxes where possible.

We would also like to remind parents and carers that, due to allergies, nut products are not permitted in school. Thank you for your support in helping us to keep all children safe and healthy.

If you would like your child to have a packed lunch instead of a school dinner, please notify the school office in advance.

Water bottles

All children are encouraged to bring a named water bottle to school each day so that they can stay hydrated throughout the day. Please ensure that water bottles contain water only and are a suitable size for your child to manage independently. We ask that bottles are not too large, as they need to fit comfortably in the designated storage areas and be easy for children to carry and use.



Accessing my learning

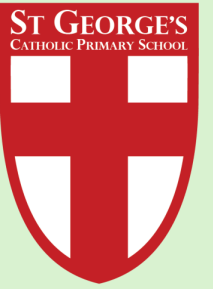
Reading eggs, Rockstars and Numbots

Each child will be provided with Reading Eggs, Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots logins. Children are encouraged to use these platforms regularly in school to support their learning and can also access them at home. Login details can be found in your child's reading record, allowing children to continue practising their skills and building confidence outside of school.

Tapestry

Tapestry is used to give you an insight into your child's learning and experiences at school. We regularly share photographs, observations and comments when children have completed a practical activity, achieved something special or produced work that we are proud to celebrate. You will also find our weekly class blog on Tapestry, sharing highlights and updates from our week.

Keep an eye on this space throughout the year, as it is a wonderful way to celebrate your child's learning and see all the fantastic things they have been getting up to in school!

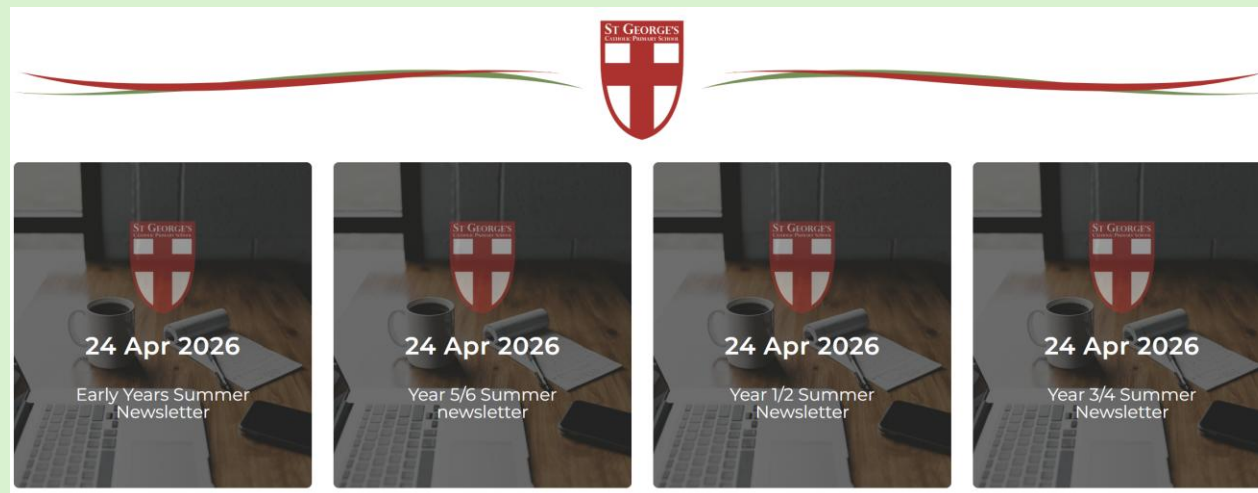


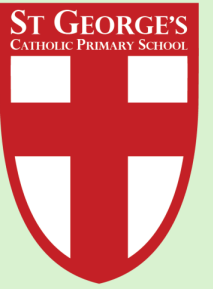
Our learning journey

Newsletters

Each term, a class newsletter will be shared on the school website. This will provide an overview of the topics and learning your child will be exploring across each subject, as well as any important updates, reminders or changes for the term ahead. We encourage you to take a look so that you can stay up to date with what is happening in our classroom.

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Our learning journey

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. You can contact me by email at esu@stgcps.org, or contact the school office by phone or email, who will be happy to help. Please also remember to check the school website regularly for important updates, information and key dates throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued support — working together, we can make this a happy, successful and memorable year for every child.