



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### 4th October 2024



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#### Black History Month

During the month of October, we celebrate Black History Month. The children will focus their studies on particular people from black African/ Caribbean backgrounds who have made an impact on our society. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November we will celebrate our work as a whole school.



Sunday 4th October 2024

Gospel: Luke 10:13-16



*Woe to those who reject the word of Jesus*

Jesus said: "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But at the judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades."

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

#### Year 1 Phonics Meeting

This week, we held our Year 1 Phonics meeting for parents. The turn out over the two sessions was very good, thank you for attending. The teachers explained how we teach phonics and how you can help your child at home with good hints and tips. The ability to read is vital for your child to be able to access the curriculum and also be able to write. If you read with your child every day, your child will be, at the very least, two years ahead of their peers when they reach their teens. The PowerPoint slides are available on the Year 1 pages. Thank you to Miss Redhead and Mr. Brooks for the enlightening presentation.

#### School Administration and Finance Manager

St. Joseph's is looking to recruit a school admin and finance manager. Have a look at the advert at the back of the newsletter.

## Bowling

On Tuesday afternoon, 6 children headed down to Park Royal Ten Pin Bowling Alley to take part in a bowling competition. The children really enjoyed themselves and worked hard to ensure their bowling technique progressed throughout the duration of the game. The children displayed great teamwork and determination. Each child received a certificate and medal. Well done to Noar (5CR), Isabelle (5AL), Dafidi (4AS), Joseph (4S), Leon (3AR) and Muhammad (3DB).



## Poetry Evening

On Thursday, some of the Middle Phase and Upper Phase children got to perform poetry in our Poetry Recital Evening. Some children recited their own poems, some recited in small groups. In any case, they all did fantastically well and both events were a super celebration of oracy. Thank you to Mr. Brooks for organising the events and to Miss Reddin and Miss Smith for helping on the night.



## PTA Coffee Morning

This morning our wonderful PTA held a coffee morning for our new Nursery parents. It was a good chance for parents to meet, mingle, and get a chance to get to know each other. Thank you to the PTA for organising it.



## Medicine in School

We would like to remind parents of the school's strict policy regarding medication. For the health and safety of all children, students **should not bring any form of medication** to school, whether it is prescription or over-the-counter medicine.

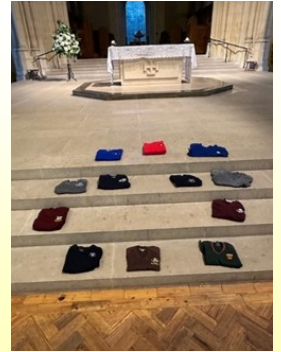
If your child is prescribed medicine that is required during the school day, please contact the school office.

### Upcoming Parent Evenings

Please make sure you have booked a slot with the teachers for the upcoming Parent Evenings taking place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

### Deanery Staff Mass

On Monday, school staff in the Deanery came together to celebrate the beginning of the school year at Ealing Abbey. We looked back at the Year of Prayer and looked forward to the Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope. Thank you to the staff of Mount Carmel who organised the Mass. The ring of school jumpers represents our Deanery unity.



### Truth to Power

This week, Olive, Joshua and Elijah in Year 5 attended the Truth to Power meeting at St. Vincent's, along with members of the Deanery. The children spoke passionately about the impact a school council can have within our community and collaborated with other schools in the Deanery to formulate a plan for a day of action in support of one of our Catholic Social Teaching themes. As a result of their hard work, we will be taking part in a day of action on the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, joining schools across Ealing to mark the day with meaningful action. Looking ahead to the Spring Term, we will further this work by traveling to Parliament, where the children will have the opportunity to speak with MPs about the initiatives they have led. Thank you to Ms. Males and Mr. Doak who accompanied the children.



### Mini Mile

Congratulations to Oliver in 3DB who took part in the Ealing Mini Mile. He was placed 9th overall out of over 200 other children last Sunday in Lammas Park. He had a chip time of 7 minutes and 36 seconds. Watch out Mo Farah! Running is obviously a family thing as I also saw his mum running in the Half Marathon. Well done to both!





## Cross Country

On Thursday, a select group of boys and girls from Year 5 and 6 travelled to Berkeley playing fields to participate in the Ealing Schools Cross Country competition. The weather stayed warm as the children raced around the grounds completing a 1.5km run. Unfortunately, none of the children from St. Joseph's gained a podium place but we eagerly await the results from the combined scoring to see if there is any silverware for our school. All the children should be extremely proud as they each recorded an impressive time. Congratulations to Isla, Beatrix, Mina- Rose, Julia, Lena, Sara, Martyna, Manna, Hassan, Freddie, Calum, Kayden, Franek, Alex R, Elijah, Piero, Alex M and Jakub. Thank you to Mr. Sheehan and Ms Males for accompanying the children.



## Catholic Social Teaching

September and October are the times of Harvest. Yet as the evenings draw in, and the weather becomes cooler, many of us still haven't altered our food shop accordingly. Yes, strawberries and blueberries are always tasty but as we move into the autumn and winter months these foods have to be sourced from other countries meaning that they come with a carbon footprint. There is so much delicious, home-grown, seasonal produce to choose from instead. Shop for grapes, pears, plums, figs, peaches, leeks, butternut squash and pumpkin knowing that you are supporting UK farming and being kind to the planet.

Challenge: 'Caring for Creation', can you make a delicious meal together using sustainably sourced food?

Why not take a photo and send it in with your child to their class teacher to encourage others to play their part too?

A left over picture from last week shows Armin in 1AP Caring For Creation. Well done and I am glad you were wearing gloves.



## Free Online Workshops

Please look at the back of the newsletter for free workshops on a variety of topics. The following workshops are available this month:

7th October: The Impact of Domestic Abuse on Children & Young People

15th October: An Introduction to Speech & Language Therapy

22nd October: Ealing's Local Offer: Support for Families of Children with Additional Needs

26th October: Employment, Benefits & Retraining

## Celebrations

Religious Education Work of the Week awards are given to children who have shown that bit of extra effort in their RE lessons that week.

| Class | Name     | Reason  |
|-------|----------|---|
| 1AP   | Alice    | For good contributions to our discussions in RHE lessons.   |
| 1EB   | Luke     | For excellent contributions to our discussion about the Prodigal Son.                               |
| 1SR   | Debora   | For writing a wonderful psalm about what she is thankful for.                                       |
| 2CF   | Fabian   | For his knowledge on Judaism and a Shabbat.   |
| 2AF   | Wyatt    | For his fantastic knowledge and answers about Shabbat.  |
| 2JB   | Ronan    | For his thoughtful morning prayer in which he wishes to put others first.                           |
| 3AR   | Izabela  | For sharing ideas on how Mary and Joseph showed love to Jesus in their home.                        |
| 3DB   | Lily     | For writing a delightful recipe for a happy family based on Jesus' commandment.                     |
| 3SM   | Mia      | For giving a fantastic explanation and why we pray and the importance of prayer.                    |
| 4AS   | Leon     | For explaining the meanings of some of Solomon's proverbs in his own words.                         |
| 4GS   | Monika   | For great interpretation of Solomon's proverbs and including further recalled scripture. Well done! |
| 4S    | David    | For an excellent understanding of the love and care St. Joseph gave to Jesus.                       |
| 5AL   | Jessica  | For creating a detailed fact file about Maximilian Kolbe.   |
| 5AS   | Melania  | For writing an excellent fact file about Maximilian Kolbe.  |
| 5CR   | Diego    | For creating a brilliant profile of Maximilian Kolbe.   |
| 6LI   | Georgina | For using three scripture extracts to say what God is like.   |
| 6MS   | La'Kel   | For his excellent participation in our discussion about God's unconditional love.                   |
| 6WL   | Cameron  | For leading the class reverently in saying the Apostles' Creed for praying the Rosary.              |

### Celebrations continued..

Headteacher awards are presented each week to children who the staff think have put that little bit of extra into their work. Well done to the children listed below:

| Class | Name       | Reason   |
|-------|------------|--|
| 1AP   | Serah      | For being a super helper to everyone.  |
| 1EB   | Jan        | For speedy Maths work using 'fewer' and 'more# to compare things.                          |
| 1SR   | Yonathan   | For consistently trying his best and displaying exceptional manners.                       |
| 2CF   | William    | For always using his initiative to help others.  |
| 2AF   | Emmanuel   | For excellent work in Maths, comparing numbers. Well done!                                 |
| 2JB   | Nina       | For her fantastically expressive poetry recital!   |
| 3AR   | Kornelia   | For her confidence when reading her poem aloud. Well done.                                 |
| 3DB   | Thevin     | For excellent use of adjectives in his writing.  |
| 3SM   | Ethan      | For being an excellent role model and settling into 3SM wonderfully. Well done!            |
| 4AS   | Esme       | For great enthusiasm and using dramatic effect when performing to the class on Poetry Day! |
| 4GS   | All of 4GS | For creating wonderfully detailed Roman towns, in History. Well done!                      |
| 4S    | Lily       | For fantastic effort during Maths this week! You know how to round to 10, 100 and 1000!    |
| 5AL   | Carina     | For writing an amazing balanced argument.  |
| 5AS   | Vanessa    | For writing an excellent draft for a balanced argument.                                    |
| 5CR   | Jane       | For using the P.E.E structure so well in her balanced argument.                            |
| 6LI   | Brendan    | For detailed recount, including self-reflection, about PGL trip.                           |
| 6MS   | Alex       | For always doing his best to answer questions during class discussions. Well done!         |
| 6WL   | Ryan       | For challenging himself to achieve the grammar focus in his spelling work.                 |

Good Disciple awards are given to children who have shown exceptional love and kindness to fellow pupils and are helping to build God's kingdom here and now. Well done to the children listed below:

| Phase  | Name       | Reason   |
|--------|------------|--|
| Lower  | Kate 1EB   | For always showing kindness and patience.  |
| Middle | Angelo 3DB | For always being extremely kind and helpful to everyone at school.                 |
| Upper  | Yeva 6LI   | For helping a new child understand life at St. Joseph's by acting as a translator. |

## Cashpot for Schools

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

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- 5 We'll do the rest! We donate ££s to your chosen school every time you shop, so they can spend it on exactly what they need.

Selected stores. Minimum spend £20. Exclusions apply including Asda Express & George.com. Subject to availability. UK 18+. App & Opt in required. 0.5% of the value of a customer's eligible shop is donated. Publicly funded primary schools, must register with Parentkind charity 1072833. Full T&Cs at [asda.com/cashpotforschools](https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools). Reward T&Cs at [asda.com/reward/terms](https://www.asda.com/reward/terms). Ends 30/11/24

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# FREE online parenting workshop



## Parenting Workshops Autumn 2024

**10th  
Sept  
10am-12pm**

### CONTACT EALING

This workshop looks at support available for families of children & young people with additional needs, including information on education, health, social care and finances

**17th  
Sept  
10am-12pm**

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEENAGER

Learn about how the emotional development through adolescent, how to support mental health in teenagers and tips to empathise with your child

The session is for parents/carers of young people aged 12-18

**1st  
Oct  
10am-12pm**

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR EMOTIONS AND MANAGING YOUR RESPONSES

Designed to provide you with practical tools and strategies to understand emotions, this session will help you to identify triggers and manage your responses.

**8th  
Oct  
10am-12pm**

### IMPACT OF DOMESTIC ABUSE ON CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

How to identify abusive behaviour, develop an understanding of how to recognise the effects of domestic abuse on parenting, and learn where to find local support

email [parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk) to register your place



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**15th  
Oct  
10-11:30am**

### AN INTRODUCTION TO SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY

Tips to support speech development and improve communication with your child, where to find support if you have any concerns. How children learn additional languages, and gain knowledge on the role of a speech therapist

**22nd  
Oct  
10am-12pm**

### EALING'S LOCAL OFFER

Join us for an overview of support and services available in Ealing which support children with additional needs and their families, including a walkthrough on the Local Offer website

**29th  
Oct  
10am-12pm**

### TALKING TO YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT SEXUAL HEALTH

This session will discuss how to talk about sex and sexual health without shame or embarrassment. You will learn what is available through local clinics and what STI testing involves.

This session is for parents/carers of teenagers

**12th  
Nov  
10am-12pm**

### INTERNET SAFETY

This workshop will look at the positive & negative ways children use the internet today and what parents & carers need to know to be proactive in keeping them safe online.

This session is for parents/carers of children aged 13 & under

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# Parenting Workshops Autumn 2024

**26th  
Nov  
10am-12pm**

**EMPLOYMENT, BENEFITS  
& RETRAINING**

Discover what support is available for you, how to access training, advice on returning to work, where to start retraining, and what benefits are you entitled to when working

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Website: www.stjosephshanwell.org.uk

## Administration and Finance Manager required

Salary: Grade 9, Point 28  
Working Pattern: Hours: 35 hours per week, 40 weeks per year, term time only  
Salary: £35,767 (FTE £39,405)  
DBS Check: Enhanced

The Governing Body of St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School is seeking to appoint a self-motivated, approachable and organised individual to manage our administration team as Administration and Finance Manager. The main duty of this role is to oversee the management of school administrative systems and monitoring of the school's budgetary and financial systems.

### The successful candidate will be someone who:

- Is fully supportive of the Catholic ethos of the school
- Has considerable administration and finance experience (preferably in a school or education context)
- Has knowledge of school's systems, including SIMS, FMS and BACS
- Has excellent IT skills
- Is able to work efficiently to tight deadlines and has excellent literacy and numeracy skills
- Is an effective communicator who is able to lead, multi-task and work as part of team
- Is prepared to play a full and active part in the life of the school

### We can offer you:

- A caring and positive working environment inspired by our strong Catholic ethos
- Enthusiastic, happy children who enjoy learning and playing
- Welcoming, supportive, and industrious colleagues
- A strong commitment to your own continuous professional development and growth
- An excellent record in supporting, inducting and retaining staff

We are committed to Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and this appointment is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure and satisfactory references. In line with KCSIE 2024 and safer recruitment practices, the school will conduct online searches for all shortlisted candidates. The online search is part of our safeguarding checks and will seek publicly available information on candidates' suitability to work with children.

Phone or e-mail the school office, 0208 567 6293, for an application pack and further details.

School visits by appointment with school office.

**Closing date:** Noon on Friday 18th October 2024

**Interviews:** Mid-morning, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

**Start date:** 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024