

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### Friday 9th February 2024



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#### Half term

We are now half way through the academic year and the children (and staff) deserve a well-earned rest. Everyone has worked very hard and I know that this will be reflected in the conversations that you will have with the teachers after half term during the parent consultations; please remember to make an appointment. I wish you all a safe and relaxing half-term. All children back to school on Monday 19th February 2024.

Please see the back of the newsletter for a Lent Calendar. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on Wednesday 14th February.

Sunday 11th February 2024

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45



*Jesus cures a leper by the healing touch of his hand*

A leper came to Jesus begging him, and kneeling he said to him, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.

After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them." But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

#### Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 6th February, thanks to Mr. Sheehan, we celebrated Safer Internet Day 2024. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on all of us to help to create a better internet. This year we focused on change online, this included:

- Young people's perspective on new and emerging technology
- Using the internet to make change for the better
- The changes young people want to see online
- The things that can influence and change the way young people think, feel and act online and offline.

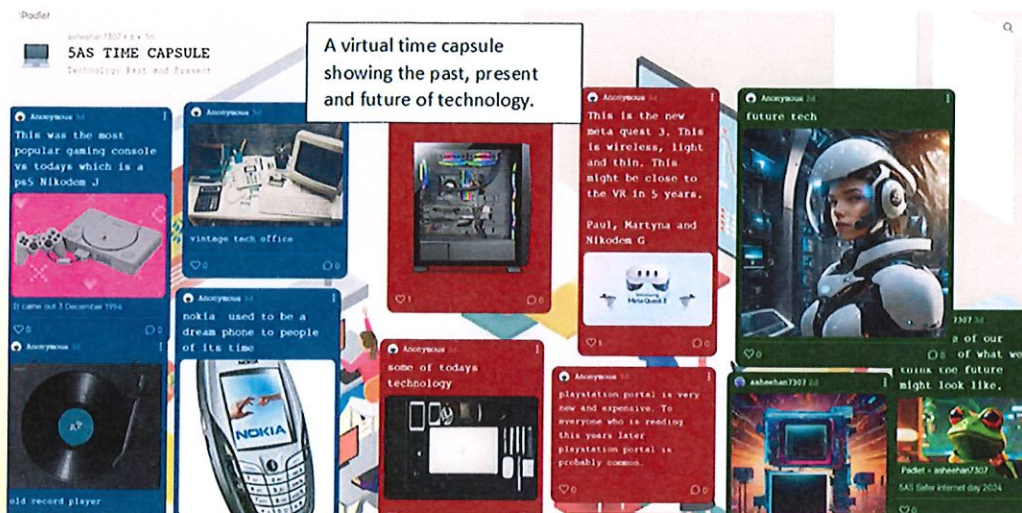
Each class completed activities based on these areas and produced some wonderful work. Here are a few examples:



**Love Learn Believe**



## Safer Internet Day continued..



## Cost of Living

I was at a briefing for headteachers in the week and a lady from Ealing talked to us about all the help that is out there but not used as much as it could be. She plugged the <https://www.ealing.gov.uk/costofliving> pages and also informed us that the central libraries in Ealing, Acton, Southall and Northolt give out free data cards to stop digital poverty. Worth having a look. During the week I emailed out all the activities that are on offer for the children during half term; I hope some of you have been able to book.

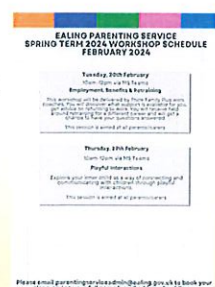
## Bikeability

The picture below shows some of the children taking part and their coaches Stewart and John from Bikeability. The children learnt a little bit about bike maintenance, what to wear and general road sense.



## Ealing Parenting Service

Two valuable sessions are available from Ealing Parenting Service taking place after half term. One is about re-training and the other is about communicating with children; worth a look. I attach the flyer to the back of the newsletter.





## MMR Vaccinations

I have left the flyer attached at the back of the newsletter for information about how to get your child/ren vaccinated over the half term. Ealing Health is very worried about the rise in cases.

## Children's Mental Health Week

This week we celebrated Children's Mental Health Week 2024. The theme was 'My Voice Matters'. The aim of the week was to empower, equip and give a voice to all children. Each phase had an assembly and year groups carried out activities in class, such as 'things that matter to us'. The children's wellbeing committee also organised a 'Wellbeing Wednesday', where children were invited to wear something that made them feel happy. Thank you to Mrs. Day for organising the week at our school.



## 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
Nursery	Macia	For talking about Jesus during class discussion.
RB	Sravan	For asking Jesus a thoughtful question as part of our 'Gathering' topic. Well done!
RH	Alan	For a great response to the story of Jesus with the children. Well done.
RL	Leyna	For being able to retell the story of Jesus and the children.
1AP	Leo	For always being confident enough to respond to the Word during Class Collective Worship.
1EB	Ola	For learning our new topic words so well.
1SR	Annabelle	For thinking and writing well about the special meals she has with her family.
2AB	Ben	For his excellent description of the different books used at Mass.
2AF	Ansel	For his excellent work about the different books we use during Mass.
2JB	Sebastian	For his great knowledge of the responses we say at Mass.
3AR	Eliana and Eloise	For creating a wonderful prayer profile and reflecting on the importance of prayer.
3DB	Annabella	For hr detailed prayer profile.
3M	Jemima and Martin	For creating a lovely Prayer Profile together.
4AS	Olive	For creating a brilliant poster about Solidarity and Peace.
4GS	Natalie	For producing an eye-catching and informative poster regarding Solidarity and Peace.
4S	Teaganmarie	For creating a brilliant poster about Solidarity and Peace.
5AL	Aiyah and Lena	For working well together to create a beautiful Collective Worship.
5AS	Lidia	For illustrating and describing an outstanding memory from her life.
5CR	Gabriela	For creating a brilliant poster about Pentecostalism with her partner. Well done!
6LI	Allistar	For being able to discuss and write about the importance of the Bible for Christians.
6MS	Kateryna	For making very thoughtful links between scripture and personal everyday choices.
6WL	Scarlett	For producing a beautifully decorated, and informative, piece of writing about Bible scripture.



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
Nursery	Jan	For improving his drawing skills.
RB	Jakub	For always giving 100% effort in his work. Keep it up Jakub!
RH	Alice	For an increasingly mature attitude to school and her learning. Keep it up!
RL	Debora	For showing more confidence in blending sounds.
1AP	Roel	For his hard work during his Geography hot write. Well done!
1EB	Annalie	For a super write up of our story using time connectives.
1SR	Olivia	For describing and making a fantastic car in D&T.
2AB	Atlas	For writing a fantastic 'Animal Poem'.
2AF	Taro	For his brilliant ideas and work during poetry this week.
2JB	Mia	For her excellent effort to read poetry with expression!
3AR	Jakub	For writing an interesting character description, well done!
3DB	Harrison	For showing great resilience when writing his adventure story.
3M	Leon	For being a creative and joyful member of 3M.
4AS	Grania	For using her vocabulary skills to explain the meaning of Solidarity.
4GS	Semhal	For coming up with a great Kenning poem, full of ambitious nouns and verbs. Well done!
4S	Helen	For her fantastic effort and participation in all subjects! Keep it up!
5AL	Maddalena	For overcoming her fear in History and producing excellent work.
5AS	Zuzanna	For always producing excellent writing.
5CR	Joy	For amazing understanding of how to convert mixed number to improper fractions! Well done!
6LI	Nathanael	For asking questions in lessons to make sure of secure understanding.
6MS	Olly	For creating a very informative Fact File about the Battle of Britain.
6WL	David	For his fantastic focus and outcomes with his writing.

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	Jordan 1SR	For being a perfect role model for his peers.
Middle	Bibiana 3DB	For taking care of her classroom, making sure it is clean and tidy all the time
Upper	Shivangi 6WL	For treating everyone with respect and kindness and always looking out for those who need help.



# MMR

# Vaccinations

(Measles, Mumps and Rubella)

Every Wednesday 9am – 4:45pm

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## **EALING PARENTING SERVICE SPRING TERM 2024 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 2024**

### **Tuesday, 20th February**

10am-12pm via MS Teams

#### **Employment, Benefits & Retraining**

This workshop will be delivered by Think Family Plus work coaches. You will discover what support is available for you, get advice on returning to work. You will receive help around retraining for a different career and will get a chance to have your questions answered

This session is aimed at all parents/carers

### **Thursday, 29th February**

10am-12pm via MS Teams

#### **Playful Interactions**

Explore your inner child as a way of connecting and communicating with children through playful interactions.

This session is aimed at all parents/carers

**Please email [parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk) to book your place, giving your full name/email address/mobile no.**



# Mission Together Lenten Calendar 2024



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
We will soon begin our Lenten journey to Easter. We pray that we may use this time to grow in love of God and each other.	<b>13 Shrove Tuesday.</b> Find out why we eat pancakes today. *	<b>14 Ash Wednesday</b> Why are ash crosses traced on our forehead today? *	<b>15 Why does Lent last forty days? *</b>	<b>16 With your class,</b> reflect and pray with the 1st and 2nd Stations of the Cross. +	<b>17 Many years ago</b> Lent was a name for Spring. Capture both in Mission Together's Lent through a Lens challenge. *	<b>18 Find a quiet place</b> and ask God to help you pray and share more this Lent.
<b>19 Yesterday's Sunday Gospel</b> was Mk 1:12-15. What does it encourage us to do this week? +	<b>20 In Lent</b> we give things up to put God and others first. What could you give up today?	<b>21 Jesus showed us</b> how to be silent and still. Spend a minute being both now.	<b>22 Find out what the word 'sacrifice' means</b> and why we practice this in Lent.	<b>23 With your class</b> reflect and pray with the 3rd & 4th Stations of the Cross. +	<b>24 Tell your family</b> about the Stations of the Cross and why we pray them in Lent.	<b>25 Find a quiet place</b> and spend a little time talking to Jesus, our God and our friend.
<b>26 Yesterday's Sunday Gospel</b> was Mk 9:2-10. What does it encourage us to do this week? +	<b>27 In Lent</b> we listen to God and others more carefully. How can you listen well this week? *	<b>28 Hear God speak</b> to you today through: Creation The Bible Loved ones	<b>29 In Lent</b> we try to change our ways for the better. What could you change today?	<b>1 MARCH Feast of St David.</b> Find out what 'Dydd Gwyl Dewi Sant Hapus' means. *	<b>2 Tell a family member</b> three things you have learnt about Lent this week.	<b>3 Find a quiet place</b> and pray the Our Father for all hungry children in the world.
<b>4 Yesterday's Sunday Gospel</b> was Jn 2:13-22. What does it encourage us to do this week? +	<b>5 Jesus taught us</b> to be fair. How can we act with fairness today?	<b>6 In Lent</b> we give what we can to help others. What help can you give today?	<b>7 Lent is a time</b> to share more of what we have. Why is sharing important?	<b>8 With your class</b> reflect and pray with the 7th & 8th Stations of the Cross. +	<b>9 Tell a family member</b> why we pray more in Lent. Teach them your favourite prayer.	<b>10 Mothering Sunday</b> Ask God to bless mums and grandmas today.
<b>11 Yesterday's Sunday Gospel</b> was Jn 3:14-16. What does it teach us about who Jesus is? +	<b>12 In Lent</b> we reflect on God's mercy. Why is it important to be sorry and to forgive?	<b>13 Write a Lent prayer.</b> Include the words: mercy, pray, share, Jesus, God, Holy Spirit.	<b>14 Say a Hail Mary</b> for those who help people heal: carers, therapists, nurses, doctors.	<b>15 With your class</b> reflect and pray with the 9th, 10th, 11th Stations of the Cross. +	<b>16 Lent is a time</b> to say sorry and forgive. Ask God to help you and your family do both.	<b>17 Today we recall St Patrick.</b> Find out why he is patron of Ireland. *
<b>18 Yesterday's Sunday Gospel</b> was Jn 12:20-24. What does it teach us about what Jesus offers? +	<b>19 In Lent</b> we pray and share to help those in need. Who shall we help today?	<b>20 Say the Our Father</b> for farmers and for those who make the food we'll eat today.	<b>21 We're coming closer</b> to Holy Week. Why is it the most special week of the Church year?	<b>22 With your class</b> reflect and pray with the 12th, 13th and 14th Stations of the Cross. +	<b>23 Tomorrow is Palm Sunday.</b> Tell a family member about the first Palm Sunday.	<b>24 Palm Sunday</b> Find a quiet place and thank God for sending Jesus to love and guide us.
<b>25 Yesterday's Palm Sunday Gospel</b> was Mk 11:1-10. What does it teach us about who Jesus is? +	<b>26 Holy Week Today</b> we recall Judas' bad decision. Ask God to help you make good choices this week.	<b>27 Today Jesus and his disciples</b> planned the Last Supper. Thank God for the food you'll eat today.	<b>28 Maundy Thursday</b> Why do Priests wash the feet of others at Mass tonight?	<b>29 Good Friday</b> Sit quietly, be still, and thank Jesus for loving us all so much.	<b>30 Holy Saturday</b> Today we wait as Jesus lies in the tomb. Say a prayer for those who are grieving today.	<b>31 Easter Sunday</b>

Calendar symbols: + refers to scriptures and reflections found in our Mission Together Celebrations of the Word, also to our Stations of the Cross. The \* symbol refers to Lenten activities or Five Fact Saints Assemblies. These and additional Lent resources are available at [missiontogether.org.uk/Lent](http://missiontogether.org.uk/Lent) Registered Charity No. 1056651

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## 8th Hanwell Beaver Challenge

Up for a challenge?

Like to try out new activities?

Like to have fun with friends?

Yes? Join the 8th Hanwell Beaver Challenge today!



For young people aged between 6 and 8 years old.

Six week course taster. Evenings of 20th, 27th February, 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March (5.30pm-6.30pm) at St Christophers Church Hall, Bordars Road, W7 1AG plus a Day of Adventure on Sunday 24th March.

£10 per participant (includes weekly sessions, Day of adventure, Goody bag)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/801138144757?aff=oddtcreator>

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## And for young people aged between 8 and 10 years old... 8th Hanwell Cub Challenge

Evenings of 20th, 27th February, 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March (6.30pm-7.30pm) at St Christophers Church Hall, Bordars Road, W7 1AG plus a Day of Adventure on Sunday 24th March.

£10 per participant (includes weekly sessions, Day of adventure, Goody bag)

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# Hanwell Music Stars!



Guitar & Choir Club

Thursday & Fridays 3:45pm-4:45pm  
Starting from April 2024

With Elly O'Keefe from The Voice UK'

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You come through loud and clear and  
I think you're something really special"*



Classes take place in  
Hanwell Methodist Church.

Beginners and intermediate level.

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# February Half Term



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