



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 13th May 2022



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### Father Bernard

Many parents will fondly remember Father Bernard who was our Parish Priest for many years. A picture that was previously donated to the Parish will now hang in the school. At 4pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, there will be an 'unveiling' in the presence of Father Bernard. If you would like to attend, please email me ([head@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:head@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk)) putting 'Father Bernard' in the subject bar.

### Supermarket vouchers for May half term holiday to support families

The household support fund grant has been allocated to councils to enable them to support vulnerable households with essentials over the coming months as the country continues its recovery from the pandemic. Ealing Council are planning to once again use part of this fund to provide families with vouchers for the May 2022 half term school holiday. Details will be sent out by the office.



**Sunday 15th May 2022**

**Gospel:** John 13:31-33A, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another."

### Baton Handover

To help celebrate the Commonwealth Games 2022, St. Joseph's has taken part in the Willow Tree SSP Community Games Baton Relay. This is a great way of bringing the WTSSP community of schools together to share in the excitement and build up to the games. Today, 3 children from Year 6 met with pupils from Hobbayne to receive the baton – this will be displayed in our school until we pass it onto Our Lady of the Visitation next week. Thank you Victoria, Joe and Natan for representing our school.





### **SCHOOL DISCO 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

The nursery and reception school disco takes place next Wednesday, thank you everyone who has bought a ticket. This will be the first school social event for these year groups and we hope it will be one they remember and really enjoy.

We need a couple of volunteers on the night to help. If you are able to help out between 4.15pm and 5.30pm please contact the PTA, it is greatly appreciated.



### **SUMMER FETE 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

#### **Year 6 Fete Brochure Front Cover Design Competition**

We are inviting children in Year 6 to be part of the event and enter a competition to design the front cover of the summer fete brochure. We are looking for eye catching and colourful designs. The fete will have lots of music and entertainment, stalls including hook a duck, arts and crafts, bouncy castles, food and refreshment and much more.

The children will be sent home a letter with an area for them to put their design. The design must be handed in to their Class Teacher on or before 9.30am, 27th May.

Please ensure the child's name and their class is on the form as without this we will be unable to include them in the competition.

#### **Raffle Prizes**

We have been donated some fantastic raffle ticket prizes. The prizes are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize is an iPad and keypad donated by Doyle's
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is a Nintendo Switch donated by Desmond Construction
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is 2 tickets for Wicked the musical
- 4<sup>th</sup> prize is a £150 Love To Shop vouchers
- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize is £100 cash donated by Juniper
- 6<sup>th</sup> prize is a £50 Boden voucher

2 raffle ticket books will be sent home with each child before half term. The money and counterfoil of any purchased tickets should be handed into the office as soon as possible. If you do not wish to buy or sell the raffle tickets please give them back to the office.



### Lucky Letter Prizes

One of the stalls at the summer fete is called a 'Lucky Letter Stall'. It is similar to a tombola where the participants can win a lucky letter which contains details of their prize. We have also received some fantastic prizes donated for the lucky letter stall and these include:

6 bottles of wine by the Best of licence, hair gift voucher from Tangles, Blackwell Hair Salon, Orange Chat and Nicky mobile hairdressers, Snakes and Ladders vouchers, MOT from Grays.

### Can you help with any of the following?

- Can you volunteer on the day? Can you help setting up, manning the stands, if so please let the PTA know.
- We also need someone that can help with designing the brochure layout and an electrician to help set up in the morning.
- Doyle Sales and Lettings are providing estate agent boards to promote the event. If you are able to place one outside your house for 2 weeks, please let us know your address and telephone number.
- We are still asking for raffle prizes. If you have contacts or work for a company who would be willing to donate a prize please let the PTA know. Alternatively if you provide us with the contact details, we will be more than happy to get in contact with them.

**Any help, no matter how small is gratefully appreciated.**



Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Cake Sale Raffle tickets will go on sale
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Break the Rule Day – Silly Hair Bring in a bottle for the tombola stall
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Break the Rule Day – Silly Socks Bring in a cuddly toy for hook the duck
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fete

Further information on some of the above events will be provided in future school newsletters.

Thank you  
St Joseph's PTA  
stjosephs\_pta@yahoo.com

### Wellbeing Wednesday

On Wednesday 15th June, children are invited to wear something that makes them feel happy and bring a small donation of up to £1. This should be something comfortable the children already have at home, such as a sports kit, dressing up costume or even their favourite T-shirt. This money will go towards the purchase of fruit for a 'Fruity Friday'. If we do not raise enough money to buy fruit for everyone, we will purchase food and donate it to Ealing Food Bank. If we raise more than enough money, we will donate the extra to Ealing Food Bank as well.



Keep smiling!

Maria and Sophia (6I)

### Careers Fair

A reminder that Mr Buckfield is looking for volunteers for his careers fair...

On Thursday 14th July, we will be holding a careers fair for children in Years 4 to 6 and are looking for volunteers to participate to give children an insight into the types of professions and careers that are out there. This has been a very successful event in the past but relies on volunteers to give up their time. Volunteers would ideally be available for the whole day (9am - 3pm). If you or anyone you know would be interested, please contact Mr Buckfield via the Year 2 email: [year2@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:year2@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk)

### Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home



Next week, 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May, is 'Walk to School Week'. Do you know that only half of 7-10 year olds do the recommended hour of exercise a day? Walking makes our children healthier and happier. It's been proven that keeping active in this way reduces the chances of becoming obese, developing heart conditions and other diseases. The 'Walk to School Week' challenge is to travel sustainably (walk, scoot, cycle or park and stride) each day for a week. By taking part we will be improving our health and caring for the planet.

**Challenge:** Talk as a family about how to get to school sustainably next week. Try to commit to at least a few days of the challenge knowing that you are making a difference to your health, and the planet.

Please do share your ideas with us by emailing your photos in to school and we will upload them to the Year Group page.

Let's make a difference – together!



## Celebrations

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
1K	Asher	For amazing learning about fractions!
1AS	Leon	For an amazing non-fiction poster about tadpoles!
1SS	Dafidi	For always challenging himself in his learning.
2JB	Enda	For using an excellent adverb ("with annoyance") in his writing.
2EB	Kayah	For leading by example practicing the dance.
2SL	Joey	For showing perseverance in applying his skills to solve Maths problems,
3AR	Piero	For careful working out when finding change in Maths.
3DS	Daniel	For settling in beautifully to St. Joseph's and 3DS.
3SR	Donya	For a great start here at St. Joseph's.
4AS	Karol	For making a great effort to learn his lines and the songs in the assembly
4MS	Zara	For always putting her best effort into every subject!
4W	Alessandro	For overcoming his worries and doing brilliantly in his swimming lesson.
5B	John	For his new found confidence and for becoming a fully active member of St. Joseph's!
5L	Radin	For showing such enthusiasm and determination in Maths lessons.
5W	Jimeelah	For an informative newspaper report.
6B	Kinga	For her efforts in learning a 1950s dance.
6I	Lena	For creating texture inspired by David Hockney.
6J	Hannah	For effectively planning a landscape in the style of David Hockney.

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	Alan 1SS	For being caring and welcoming.
Middle	Yasmin 3SR	For always being reliable, helpful and kind.
Upper	Milly 4W	For being the first to offer help to a classmate in need when we went swimming.

**Medical supplies**

We continue to collect medical supplies for a parent who will forward them to the people of Ukraine. The appeal was for donations of emergency medical supplies such as bandages, over the counter painkillers, post-burn gels and plasters, burn creams, gloves, alcohol wipes.

If you prefer to make donations through websites to charities, then here are some that are collecting for the Ukrainian people in no specific order:

<https://unitedhelpukraine.org/>

<https://voices.org.ua/en/>

<https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal>

Help Ukraine Emergency Appeal

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine>

British-Ukrainian Aid (Registered UK Charity)

<https://british-ukrainianaid.org/make-a-donation>



## Introducing... 'Olé' Guitar Ensemble – a new ensemble for players between Grades 2 and 6

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June, the newly formed 'Olé' Guitar Ensemble will meet for their first rehearsal. The ensemble is aimed towards classical and acoustic guitar pupils between Grades 2 and 6 standard (pupils do not need to have passed any exams) and will rehearse from 10:30 – 12:00 at Grange Primary School, Ealing as part of our Saturday Music Centre 'Cadenza'.

Cadenza is Ealing Music Service's well established music centre in the heart of Ealing, focussed solely on ensemble playing. We host a wide range of ensembles for over 120 young musicians from Ealing and beyond.



All our ensembles are lead by expert teachers and conductors who focus on high quality music making whilst having fun and learning together. Playing in an ensemble is a vital part of learning to play a musical instrument; ensemble playing helps with aural and sight reading skills, improves confidence and allows pupils to meet like-minded musicians. Above all, it's great fun!

To register your interest please email Caroline Swan (Ensemble Development Lead) [SwanC@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:SwanC@ealing.gov.uk)



**Cadenza**

## **SEN Support in Schools & EHC Plans**

*For parents and carers speaking  
**Somali, Urdu, Punjabi, Bengali or Hindi***

Are you a parent of a child / young person with special educational needs and are struggling because English is not your first language? **Would you like to find out more about whether your child may be eligible for additional SEND support in school or an Educational Health Care plan?**

*Please join us for advice and support in your own language.  
Contact Ealing staff and volunteers will be there to advise.*

**Date:** Friday 20th May 2022

**Time:** 11am- 12.30pm

**Venue:** Dormers Wells Children Centre

**To register** email Brigitte on [brigitte.bistrick-bryan@contact.org.uk](mailto:brigitte.bistrick-bryan@contact.org.uk)

We look forward to seeing you, if you have any questions please call or text Brigitte on  
07908 826948





## Building Confidence & How to get the best out of meetings with professionals' workshop

- Develop better communication skills
- Feel more confident in decision making for your child
- Understand how to prepare for meetings with professionals

**Date:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Time:** 10.30am-12pm

**Venue:** Westside Young Peoples Centre,  
Churchfield Road, London W13 9NF

**To register**, please book via this booking link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/nAk0ht3zQx>

Due to a limit on numbers, only registered parents and carers of Contact are welcome. If you are currently not registered with Contact, but would like to participate in this work workshop, please email us on [ealing@contact.org.uk](mailto:ealing@contact.org.uk).

