



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Mass – Sts. Peter and Paul

On Wednesday, we celebrated the special feast day of St. Peter and St. Paul. Years 3 to 6 went to Mass whilst Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 had a liturgy in school. The feast is special because it reminds us that God is always there for us. Although Peter denied Jesus and Paul persecuted the Christians, Peter went on to become the first Bishop of Rome and Paul went on to convert many to Christianity. Thank you to Father Cristiano for celebrating mass and to Mrs Ingham for organising the readers and hymns.



Sunday 3rd July 2022

Gospel : Luke 10:1 - 12

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

Nursery closed

Reminder to Nursery parents that the Nursery is closed on Friday 8th July to allow for the induction of new children.



Queen Elizabeth – A Platinum Jubilee Book

We took delivery of a very special book this week. It is a book to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Having read all the blurb connected to the delivery, apparently all children in state-funded primary schools across the United Kingdom will receive a free commemorative book to mark Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. So far, we have not received enough for one book each, so I have shared them out for one per family. I will email the suppliers to find out if there are any more. If there are, I will give them out. If there are no more, I will split the left over books between the classes so each class will have a few for the children to read in class.



Headteacher thank you – Summer Fete

What a super day was had by all at the PTA's Summer Fete last Saturday. We have not held this event since the summer of 2019 and the day helped raise a substantial amount of money that will help the school buy those extra special things that budgets would not normally allow. I will let the PTA reveal the total in their newsletter.

I had a perfect vantage point from the Governors' burger and sausage stall to look over the playground and see how much the children and parents were enjoying themselves throughout the whole of the day. I was also in the stocks where the children, very much egged on by their parents, had tremendous fun throwing wet sponges at myself and other teachers.

Ultimately, however, I must say a few 'thank yous'. A huge thank you to the PTA committee who organised their first Summer Fete and did an outstanding job working tirelessly in the lead up to the event and beyond. Thank you to all the sponsors who supported the fete. I also want to thank staff and governors who helped make the day a great success. I recognise that many staff dedicated their own time to help make the day special, again, thank you. Lastly, thank you to all the children, parents, relatives and family friends who attended on the day and also made the summer fete the success that it was. The clear up at the end was one of the quickest in history – many hands make light work! Thank you all.





Poor Parking Choices

Sorry to have to write to you again about this, especially as I think it is only about 4 or 5 cars involved but drivers are again parking illegally and without any consideration on Station Road by the Duke of York pub. I have been made aware of cars mounting the pavement close to pedestrians and parking on double yellow lines. It is clearly because parents are in a rush but it is incredibly dangerous, don't do it. The 'informant' was so worried that she thinks a child will be knocked over one day. Leave a few minutes earlier, in plenty of time, and park a little further away if you must drive.

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Year 6 Junior Citizens

Last week, Year 6 travelled to Southall for a return to a regular date in our busy diary – Junior Citizens. Here, we met representatives from the Metropolitan Police, London Ambulance Service, London Fire Brigade and Transport for London. We learned some valuable information to help us stay safe and keep others safe.



The Police talked to us about safe routes to secondary school, including staying on well-lit busy roads and not taking shortcuts through parks especially during the darker hours of the winter. They told us about our responsibilities when using Social Media especially certain apps which can access smartphone cameras, not sending images of ourselves and not sharing personal information. Some of us met PC Jermaine McFarlane, the Safer Schools Officer for Cardinal Wiseman School – he will become a familiar face to many of our children! Every secondary school has a Safer Schools Officer who is there to help pupils and staff, and can step in when schools are unable to deal with issues when a criminal offence has been committed e.g. cyberbullying.



The London Ambulance Service talked to everyone about when and how to use the 999 emergency number. We learned about what to do and how to help if we found someone unwell or unconscious and all the different ways a paramedic might arrive! Some of us had a go at CPR using the resuscitation doll. They told us of a useful app – ‘What Three Words’ – which can help them find you when you don’t know where you are.



The London Fire Brigade urged us to check our smoke alarms regularly and that if we don’t have one, they will fit one free of charge (<https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/safety/the-home/book-a-home-fire-safety-visit>). We discussed what action to take in the event of a fire in the home and were shown some examples of how easily fires can start e.g. phones getting hot whilst charging; dimming a lamp by covering it. Get/check that smoke alarm!

TfL brought their pop-up bus, Mark showed us how to behave responsibly on the pavement as well as when aboard the bus – and that we should ‘tap in’ using our Zip Oyster which we need when we are 11 years old (<https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/11-15-zip-oyster-photocard>). It gives us free bus travel and discounted tube travel (needs money top-up for tube travel) as many of us will need public transport to get to our new secondary schools. Mark also showed us how to use the Help Points on tube platforms – when we might use the ‘information’ button and when to choose the ‘emergency’ button.

This was rounded off by a relaxing picnic in Southall Park before heading back to school!











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

Let's make a difference – together!



Tomorrow marks the start of Plastic free July. This is a global movement that helps millions of people be part of the solution to plastic pollution – so that we can have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities. We are setting our final Laudato Si' home work challenge of the academic year by asking each child to come up with a 'Plastic free pledge'. Each pupil needs to come up with a way to reduce their use of plastic this month at home/ at school. Spend this week taking notice of the plastic (particularly single use plastic) that you use to help your child decide on their pledge

 <p>Takeaway coffee cups Bring a reusable coffee cup or dine-in at your local café.</p>	 <p>Fruit & vegetables Find plastic free alternatives when buying fruit & veggies.</p>	 <p>Plastic shopping bags Bring your own reusable shopping bags and help reduce plastic waste.</p>	 <p>Plastic straws Refuse plastic straws when buying a drink & BYO reusable alternative!</p>
 <p>Plastic water bottles BYO reusable water bottle instead of buying plastic ones.</p>	 <p>At the bakery Plan ahead & avoid pre-packed bread, rolls & baked goods.</p>	 <p>Meat, fish & deli Avoid the plastic trays used for meat, fish and deli items.</p>	 <p>Reduce, Reuse, Recycle The three R's for a better planet – reduce, reuse, recycle.</p>

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	Chipo	For using powerful adjectives in her acrostic poem about trees.
1AS	All of 1AS	For demonstrating how talented and special they all are in their assembly!
1SS	Elsie-Rose	For being helpful and caring.
2JB	Ava	For being able to tell the time to the nearest five minutes!
2EB	Adam	For showing great improvement in his writing
2SL	All of 2SL	For being such a kind and fabulous class for Miss Hipgrave. She will miss you all. Well done!
3AR	Maddy	For her excellent participation during our workshop on tropical plants at Kew Gardens.
3DS	Leo	For taking a more active part and contributing more in lessons.
3SR	Charlotte	For her detailed leaflet about Kew Gardens.
4AS	Petrus	For showing excellent understanding of perimeter.
4MS	Christian	For his enthusiasm and hard work writing about the Firework Maker's Daughter.
4W	Mya	For a great presentation of her Science experiment.
5B	All of 5B	For their amazing hard work and effort during Science Week. Well done!
5L	All of 5L	For presenting investigations during Science Week which were not only educational but also fun to watch.
5W	Robin	For a super letter arguing against apartheid.
6B	Olivier	For his excellent characterisation of Winston Churchill.
6I	Cole	For effort and enthusiasm bringing the character 'Billy' to life.
6J	Emily	For fantastic expression during production rehearsals.

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	Martin 1K	For demonstrating a mature level of kindness at all times.
Middle	Maya 3DS	For always being ready to calm a situation down.
Upper	Ellie 4AS	For encouraging her classmates to be more confident.

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

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>

Summer Reading Challenge 2022

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LOCAL
LIBRARY!

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Cadenza

'Cadenza' is Ealing Music Service's well established music centre in the heart of Ealing. Now with 16 ensembles and classes catering to over 120 pupils from Ealing and beyond, and with manageable monthly rehearsals, Cadenza is the chosen music centre for many young musicians in West London.



Cadenza prides itself on being a friendly, supportive and relaxed setting where young people come to learn and make high quality music with professional teachers and conductors. We are proud to provide a wide variety of excellent ensembles and look forward to welcoming you for the year 22/23.



Our ensembles rehearse monthly on a Saturday at Grange Primary School, Ealing. The centre opens at 9:00am and our ensembles and classes run from 9:30am throughout the day until our last rehearsal finishes at 5:30pm.

If your child plays a musical instrument, loves to sing, would benefit from music theory classes then Cadenza is the place for them to expand their musical skills, meet friends for life and get involved in our numerous ensembles, choirs and performance opportunities. To check out what fantastic opportunities we have available, head to our website...

www.ealingmusicservice.com/cadenza



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