## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter Friday 1st October 2021

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#### Governors

On Tuesday, Maggie Jones retired from being a governor at our school. She has 'served' the school for more years than I am allowed to mention. In her role, she has championed the children and staff and has contributed to making many initiatives work and contributed to many a School Development Plan. In the past year, Maggie was Chair of Governors and was my 'critical' friend ensuring that what we did for the children and staff was up to the highest standards that you would expect.

Following an election, Anita Marshall was voted in as the next Chair of Governors. She looks forward to serving on the board as Chair. Philip Stark retains his role as Vice Chair.

#### Contacting the school office

If you have a general office related enquiry please use ask@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk.

Please note Father Cristiano's signing dates are at the back of the newsletter.



Sunday 3rd October 2021

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.



#### Former Pupil

On Thursday, former pupil John Patrick O'Meara, came to visit the school as part of his 'giving back to the community' programme. John Patrick is a member of Team GB Boxing and spends most of his time in Sheffield at the English Institute of Sport. As part of his job, he has to do outreach work in schools and he helped Mr Sampaio with PE lessons across the school. We hope John Patrick comes back soon to help some more. He shared with me that he was feeling very nervous coming into our school, even more so than first stepping into the ring!







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

Father Cristiano wrote in the Parish newsletter asking parishioners to celebrate the Season of Creation (1<sup>st</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October) by reflecting upon the unique beauty of our world and considering the ways in which we are damaging this gift. He has arranged for Ellen Teague of



the Columbans to speak at all masses on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Please welcome her as she helps guide us on living out our Catholic Social Teaching.

Family task: Discuss as a family the information and advice given by Ellen Teague at Mass.

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!

# Safer Streets – Our School Street starts soon

Please read my letter being sent out separately on this topic. I have only had 8 volunteers!

Parent Evenings - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October (4.30-7pm) and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October (3.30-6pm) In the coming days you should receive a communication from school about upcoming Parent Evenings. These meetings will be online. Please return the forms to the class teachers as soon as possible so that they can get started on scheduling meeting

times. I thank you in anticipation of your compliance.

### St. Joseph's Half Marathon Challenge

Well done to all of the children and adults who took part in the Ealing Half Marathon, Mini and Family Miles last weekend. Next week, children in Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in our very own 'St. Joseph's Half Marathon Challenge'. They will be attempting to run at least 21 times before Christmas to represent each of the 21km in a half marathon. Middle and Upper Phase will also be completing their own individual half marathon. Please support your child by pledging to make a donation to Ealing Food Bank once they and their classmates have completed the challenge. Thank you to Mrs. Day for planning and organising this amazing event.

#### Job Vacancies



Relief SMSA We are looking for a relief SMSA to join our team on an 'As and When Required' basis, 1.5 hours per day. Please enquire at the school office for an application form.

#### Cleaners

If you have spare capacity in your busy day, I am looking for two experienced cleaners to work Monday to Friday, 3.15pm to 5.15pm. Please enquire at the office.

#### **Contact Details**

If you have moved house or changed your phone over the summer, please don't forget to come to the office and complete a change of details form. It is imperative we have contact numbers for emergency purposes.



#### **Ealing Mini Mile**

Following on from my last newsletter, Natalia competed in the Mini Mile along with the other 1999 children wearing her T-Shirt design. She had a great time and finished with a lovely medal too.





#### Ink cartridges

Recycle4Charity is a free and easy to use ink recycling programme, which will help raise money for our school. Please bring to school any used, dried out or out of date printer cartridges. Unfortunately, toner and laser cartridges are not accepted as part of the programme, however inkjet printers (usually found in the home) are included. Please see below website for more information and to check whether your cartridges are available for recycling with this scheme: <u>https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/</u> InkjetCartridges

The recycling box will be placed in the office reception area of our school, simply find the box and place your cartridges inside.



#### **PTA coffee morning**

The PTA held their second coffee morning on Monday. It was not as well attended as the first one, but overall, the PTA was pleased with the footfall into their 'café'. It gave new parents an opportunity to meet others and also gave an idea about what the PTA is all about and how it helps our children. Thank you to the PTA for hosting the event.

#### **Secondary School visits**

I again attach an updated sheet to the back of the newsletter with timings for open days/ evening. As well as Year 6 children needing to attend, I would also encourage Year 5 children to take up the opportunity this year as next year their high school of choice may have their open evening event during the Boreatton Park trip.

#### 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	Blanka	For writing great sentences independently.			
1AS	Oleg	For writing such a thoughtful prayer to thank God.			
1SS	Arianna	For putting more effort into her learning.			
2JB	Ava	For using her fantastic vocabulary in her writing.			
2EB	Xuanshi	For super work across all subjects.			
2SL	Carina	For her very thoughtful work during RE. Thank you!			
3AR	Olivia	For trying really hard during ALL lessons. A wonderful role model!			
3DS	Ewelina, Lidia and Julia	For working in a group to produce a superb middle paragraph of a story.			
3SR	Charlotte	For displaying great knowledge and investigative skills in Science.			
4AS	Elizabeth	For being a fantastic role model for others.			
4MS	Shivangi	For being brave about swimming! Well done!			
4W	Dominik	For making a concerted effort in his PE lessons.			
5B	Gabriela	For the effort she put into her writing about Maximilian Kolbe in RE!			
5L	Cole	For excellent understanding of multiplying and dividing decimal numbers.			
5W	Ella	For always being polite, helpful and respectful to all her class- mates.			
6B	Рорру	For her brilliant recount of her trip to PGL.			
61	Aaron	For challenging himself and overcoming fears at PGL.			
6J	Hannah	For a well written recount of her adventure at PGL.			

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	Kemi	For always being kind to others.
Middle	Valmarie 3DS	For being a wonderful role model, always offering help. An asset to her class!
Upper	Hannah 5AL	For being consistent with her care for others and showing great empathy to her classmates

#### Common courtesy

Thank you all for listening to my request to keep off neighbours' walls and out of their gardens.

I now make a second request. Lock down has taught us how to queue nicely. I am receiving more and more complaints about parents jumping the queue. If you see a queue to get into school at the end of the day, please join the end and not push in. Please wait your turn like the rest of the school community.

### **Secondary School Signing Dates**

#### **Father Cristiano**

You should call the presbytery to book your appointment on 020 8567 4056. Before you attend the appointment please ensure the following:-

- You are a **registered Parishioner**.
- To the appointment you should take a completed
  Supplementary Information Form (application form) for each school you are applying to.
- Your child's **Baptism Certificate**.

4 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	11 am until 13:00 p.m.
	15:00 am until 18:00 p.m.
11 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	11 am until 13:00 p.m.
	15:00 am until 18:00 p.m.
12 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	11 am until 13:00 p.m.
	15:00 am until 18:00 p.m.
18 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	11 am until 13:00 p.m.
	15:00 am until 18:00 p.m.

### Gunnersbury Catholic School **Year 6-7 Transition Open Events Autumn 2021**





We are delighted to share that prospective pupils and parents will, this year, be able to visit Gunnersbury Catholic School. To provide an insight into our uniquely outstanding education, we are hosting a series of open events.

To ensure an enjoyable and safe experience we shall be operating an on-line booking system for each event. To book a tour please click on the links below.

Open Afternoon: Tuesday, 5 October 2021 at 1.30pm Open Evening: Tuesday, 5 October 2021 from 4.30pm to 7.30pm Tours available at

4.30pm, 5.30pm, 6.30pm and 7.30pm

Open Morning: Thursday, 7 October 2021 at 10.30am

Open Morning: Wednesday, 12 October 2021 at 10.30am

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ury Catholic School, The Ride, Boston Manor Ro 020 8568 7281 email: welcome@gupperchar



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#### **DISCOVER WHAT MAKES GUMLEY UNIQUE**

Whether their next chapter is to become a global leader, scholar, sportswoman, musician or artist, we provide them with an ambitious curriculum, enriching experiences and excellent pastoral care to ensure she reaches her goals and is prepared for a successful future.

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Thursday 30th September, 9am-11am (Head's talk at 10:20am)

 Thursday 30th October across three essions to minimise numbers, 5-6pm; 6-7pm and 7-8pm.
 Head's talk begins each session.
 Tuesday Sth October, 9-flam (Head's talk at 1020am) Be sure to complete the registration form on our website to receive further information and details. Hook forward to sharing the Gumley Story with you.

Stephen Byrne,



**Catholic High School Open Evening dates** 

For all venues, please check websites for most up to date information.

#### Out of Borough High Schools

Douay Martyr's – Open Mornings- Tuesday 5th October 2021 — from 8:45 – 10:30am. DATES ARE SUBJECT TO COVID GUIDANCE AND RESTRICTIONS.

Gumley House - OPEN MORNING: Tuesday 5th October 2021 (9am - 11am, head's talk 10:20am); OPEN EVENING: Thursday 30th October 2021 (5-6pm, 6-7pm, 7-8pm with head's talk at beginning of each session); A booking system is in operation to ensure we keep numbers manageable, check website for details.

Gunnersbury School –Booking required. Open Afternoon: Tuesday, 5 October 2021 at 1.30pm; Open Evening: Tuesday, 5 October 2021 from 4.30pm to 7.30pm, tours available at 4.30pm, 5.30pm, 6.30pm and 7.30pm Open Morning: Thursday, 7 October 2021 at 10.30am Open Morning: Wednesday, 12 October 2021 at 10.30am

St. Catherine's School, Twickenham (Independent) – Senior School Open Evening Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 6pm,

St Mark's – Thursday 7th October 9.00 - 10.15am (arrive no later than 9.30am for a tour), 5.00 - 8.30pm (arrive no later than 7.45pm for a tour).

#### High School open day programme September/October 2021

**Open Evenings** 

Date	High school	Time	Head's talk
Thursday 16 Sep	Northolt High School	5:30pm to 7:30pm	6:30pm
Thursday 16 Sep	The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	5:30pm to 8:30pm	6pm & 7pm
Thursday 16 Sep	The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	6pm to 8pm	6:15pm & 7:30pm
Thursday 16 Sep	Elthorne Park High School	5:15pm to 8:30pm	5:30pm, 6:15pm, 7pm, & 7:45pm
Tuesday 21 Sep	Alec Reed Academy	5:30pm to 7:30pm	5:45pm
Wednesday 22 Sep	Ark Acton Academy	5pm to 7pm	5:30pm & 6:30pm
Thursday 23 Sep	Ark Soane Academy	5pm to 7pm	6pm
Thursday 23 Sep	Dormers Wells High School	5pm to 8pm	5:30pm & 6:30pm
Thursday 23 Sep	Twyford CofE High School	5:30pm to 8:30pm	5:30pm, 6:30pm & 7:30pm
Thursday 23 Sep	Villiers High School	4:30pm to 7pm	5pm & 6pm
Tuesday 28 Sep	a) no cop		6pm & 7pm
Wednesday 29 Sep	Ada Lovelace CofE High School	5pm to 8pm	5:15pm, 6:15pm & 7:15pm
Thursday 30 Sep	Ark Soane Academy	5pm to 7pm	6pm
Thursday 30 Sep	Drayton Manor High School	5pm to 8pm	5:15pm, 6:15pm & 7:15pm
Thursday 30 Sep	Featherstone High School	5pm to 7:30pm	5:15pm & 6:15pm
Thursday 30 Sep	William Perkin CofE High School	5pm to 8pm	5:15pm, 6:15pm & 7:15pm
Thursday 7 Oct	Ealing Fields High School	5pm to 8:30pm	5:15pm, 6:15pm & 7:15pm
Thursday 7 Oct	Greenford High School	5pm to 7pm	5pm, 6pm & 7pm
Open Morning	5		
High School	Date(s)	Time	Event
Alec Reed Academy	Tuesday 28 Sep, Thursday 30 Sep, Tuesday 5 Oct & Thursday 7 Oct	9am to 10:30am	Coffee Morning and Tour
Thursday 30 Sep & Friday 1 Oct Ark Acton Thursday 7 Oct & Friday 8 Oct Academy Thursday 14 Oct & Friday 15 Oct Thursday 21 Oct & Friday 22 Oct		9:30am to 11am	Tour and Talk
Ark Soane Academy	Monday 27 Sep, Tuesday 28 Sep, Wednesday 29 Sep, Thursday 30 Sep & Friday 1 Oct	9:30am to 11am	Open Morning
	Saturday 9 Oct	10am to 1pm	Open Morning
The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	Tuesday 28 Sep, Tuesday 5 Oct & Tuesday 12 Oct	9:30am to 11am	Coffee Morning with the Head Teacher

IMPORTANT \*Please ensure that you contact the school prior to attendance for information on any special arrangements due to social distancing\*

Apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk



### Parent Volunteer Barrier Attendants

Week	Year group	Day	am	am	pm	pm
	Year 4 Parents	Monday				
Week		Tuesday				
Beginning 11/10/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				5
		Friday				
	Year 5	Monday				
Week	Parents	Tuesday				
Beginning		Wednesday				
18/10/21		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 6	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday				
1/11/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday		-		
		Friday				
Week	Reception	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday				
8/11/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 1	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday	-			
15/11/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 2	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
22/11/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 3	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday				
29/11/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 4	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday				
6/12/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday				
Week	Year 5	Monday				
Beginning	Parents	Tuesday				
13/12/21		Wednesday				
		Thursday				
		Friday	-			

#### **Ealing Parks Foundation**





September 2021

#### **Customer Update: Supply Challenges**

Following the communication we shared in June regarding anticipated supply challenges, we are getting in touch to update you on the ongoing issues we are experiencing with sourcing certain products and ingredients.

You will likely have seen articles in the news recently highlighting the issues that well-known fast food chains have been facing in sourcing several key product lines (McDonalds, Nando's, KFC, etc.). These same challenges are affecting the wider food services sector and those wholesalers that supply it, as well as food retailers right across the UK. They are driven by a number of underlying issues including:

- Covid-19, and the pressure on supply that the subsequent lockdowns and reopening mobilisations have caused.
- Significant variations in demand, which are often much higher than expected and above the capacity of some of our supply partners.
- Brexit, and some related delays with imported products coming into the country.
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- The 'pingdemic', social distancing and Covid-19 workplace protocols, which have all impacted on production at many manufacturing and food processing sites, and right across the supply chain.
- Avian and swine flu, which have affected the availability of some key meat and poultry lines.
  Extreme weather conditions, which have delayed the planting and drilling of some crops, impacting quality and supply such as current issues with potato products.
- inpacting quarty and supply a such as current issues with polar polarized products. Soaring costs of shipping and freight, as well as the closure key ports in China, which have affected the cost and availability of many globally imported lines.
- Instances where availability challenges with some products have a knock-on impact on other, similar lines.

In schools, the majority of product lines affected so far include tinned fruit, frozen fruit, frozen vegetables (peas, green beans, etc.) and bread products. Secondary schools may also notice shortages of soft drinks, as well as 'grab and go' packaging and condiment sachets.







It is likely that the next few months will continue to be unstable until suppliers' capacity to deliver stock matches and overtakes customer demand. As a result, there may be some variations to recipes, menus and packaging, where we have had to source alternatives. We will continue to do everything we can to provide high quality services which are as close to the agreed menus as possible, consulting you regularly whilst we navigate these challenges.

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Our team have been working closely with our suppliers to find solutions quickly and efficiently. We are working together to:

- Share and monitor forecasts to ensure we are well prepared for any variations in demand.
- Reviewing known out of stocks daily and quickly sourcing appropriate alternatives.
- Preparing alternative menu options, should we need to make short-term adjustments.
- Identifying locations for buffer stocks, should alternative dishes be required.

These are extraordinary times, and challenges facing our industry, our supplier partners and the entire food supply chain are exceptional. We will be monitoring the situation closely and will continue to update you as and when we have any further information.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation. If you have any queries regarding this letter, please contact your local area team.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Kemp Sector Director ISS Food Services – Schools

### **Dormers Wells Leisure Centre**



## October Half Term Swimming Crash Courses

## Monday 25th October – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Teacher	Zia	Sam	Grace
9:00am	Stage 2	Stage 1	Stage 3
9:30am	Stage 1	Pre-Sch	Stage 2
10:00am	Pre-Sch	Adult beg	Stage 1
10:30am	Stage 1	Stage 2 7+	Pre-Sch

## £25.00

## Book early our crash courses are a sell out!

Crash Courses are a great way to introduce your child to the world of Swimming. As well as improving, which can aid moving up stages.

### Adult lessons back by popular demand Stage 2 7+ is a beginner class for over 7's

If you are interested please book at reception

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'Cadenza' is Ealing Music Service's well established music centre in the heart of Ealing, focussed solely on ensemble playing. We host two orchestras, string ensembles, wind bands, a jazz band, percussion ensemble and two choirs that cater to over 100 young musicians from Ealing and beyond.

If your child is at a Grade 1 level or above on their instrument, they can sign up and join our Training (Grade 1+), Intermediate (Grade 3+) or Jazz Musician Packages as well as signing up for one of our fantastic choirs.



Cadenza ensembles meet on Saturdays, once a month at Grange Primary School. Please visit our website for further details or email Caroline Swan (Ensemble Development Lead) <u>SwanC@ealing.gov.uk</u>

www.ealingmusicservice.com/cadenza





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Take part in this fun-filled movie making workshop for ages 7-11. Learn new skills both behind and in front of the camera. Boost creativity and confidence.

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