



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

20th March 2026



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St. Joseph's Day

Yesterday, the whole school celebrated St. Joseph's Day, our unsung hero, father figure to Jesus and Patron Saint of our school. Celebrations began in Church with Mass for the Middle and Upper Phases. The children sang beautifully and the readers put across important words very well. Thank you to Mrs. Ingham for organising the Mass and the hymns. Also, a special thank you to Father Cristiano and Father Julio for celebrating the Mass. Father Cristiano reminded us that St. Joseph's friendship with God was extra special. Continued on page 2.



Sunday 22nd March 2026

Gospel: John 11:1-45



Jesus's raising of Lazarus shows his divine power

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

TFL Explorer Ambassadors

This week, our new TFL Explorer Ambassadors - Livia, Ben, Ella, Yanet, Harry, Ali, Lamis, Alisa and Antoni led assemblies to introduce themselves to the children and promote their 'March in March' travel initiative. The children are looking forward to planning more events to encourage active and sustainable travel within our school community. Did you know that Walking 1 mile a day for a year is like walking across London almost 8 times? Why not try swapping one car journey for a walk, a scoot, or a bike ride. Thank you to Mrs Day for organising.



PTA Easter Egg Raffle

Keep those eggs rolling in! Currently 2AS and 1EB are at the top of the leader board with 76 and 74 eggs respectively. Thank you very much for your donations.



St. Joseph's Day continued

The Lower Phase stayed in school to celebrate their Liturgy. Thank you to Mr Brooks for organising this special event for the children. Reception and Year 1 children listened to the Gospel and reflected on St. Joseph's faith and care for Jesus and Mary and then sang Follow Me, Sing a Simple Song and St Joseph was a carpenter.

After this, the children made lilies, decorated biscuits with a St. Joseph theme (hammer, school logo), enjoyed a feast and swapped classrooms. The Nursery children made lilies, carried out role plays as carpenters, built constructions with wooden blocks and coloured in St. Joseph pictures. They also learnt the St Joseph was a carpenter hymn and took home hammers to remember the day. Well done to all the children.



The Middle Phase had a lovely afternoon celebrating St. Joseph's Day and reinforcing our Catholic Social Teaching theme for this half term, Community and Participation. The children enjoyed a shared fruit picnic in the sunshine and then took part in our huge Lenten Quiz which we are hoping will raise a generous donation for the charity Mary's Meals.



Year 5 created tea-light holders using recyclable materials. This is to help them pray with St Joseph.



Because Year 6 had PE and Music in the afternoon and Mass this morning, they did not have a full slot to produce something tangible for St Joseph's Day. Instead, they held a super class quiz to test the knowledge that the children had acquired about our patron saint - and his namesakes - during their time at St. Joseph's. The quiz consisted of:

Round 1: All about our patron saint (9 questions)

Round 2: Joseph from the Old Testament (5 questions)

Round 3: Famous living Josephs and translations of the name in other languages (8 questions).

The children learnt that the name Joseph comes from the Hebrew 'Yosef' which means 'God will add'. A fun session was had by all.

Catholic Social Teaching

Focus: Community and Participation

This week, we continue to explore **Community and Participation** by thinking about how our actions and voices help to shape the communities we belong to. Children are learning that taking part does not have to be something big — small actions, shared ideas and thoughtful choices all help to build strong, caring communities where everyone feels included.

Family Task

This week, complete a *Community Contribution* together as a family.

“Let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds.”

(Hebrews 10:24)

Catholic Social Teaching – Community and Participation:

We are called to take part in our communities by sharing our ideas, our time and our talents to help others.

Your Task:

- As a family, choose **one way to contribute to your community**.
- After completing your action, children should **bring one of the following into school**:
 - A **drawing or photograph** showing how they took part
 - A **written sentence** beginning with:
“I helped my community by…”
 - A **small symbol or object** (with a short explanation) that represents how they participated (for example: a thank-you note, a recycled item, or a label explaining what they did)

These contributions will be shared in class next Wednesday as we celebrate how everyone plays a part in our community.

LiveSimply tips:



Ms Safeer's tip is to choose one small moment each day to slow down—have your morning drink without a phone, take a short walk, or pause to notice something positive on your commute. Simple, intentional moments can reduce stress and help us feel more present in busy routines.

Saturday Polish School

Tomorrow, the Polish School is holding an open day for children and parents to come along and experience it in action. Please see the flyer at the back of the newsletter. Click on the QR code for more information.

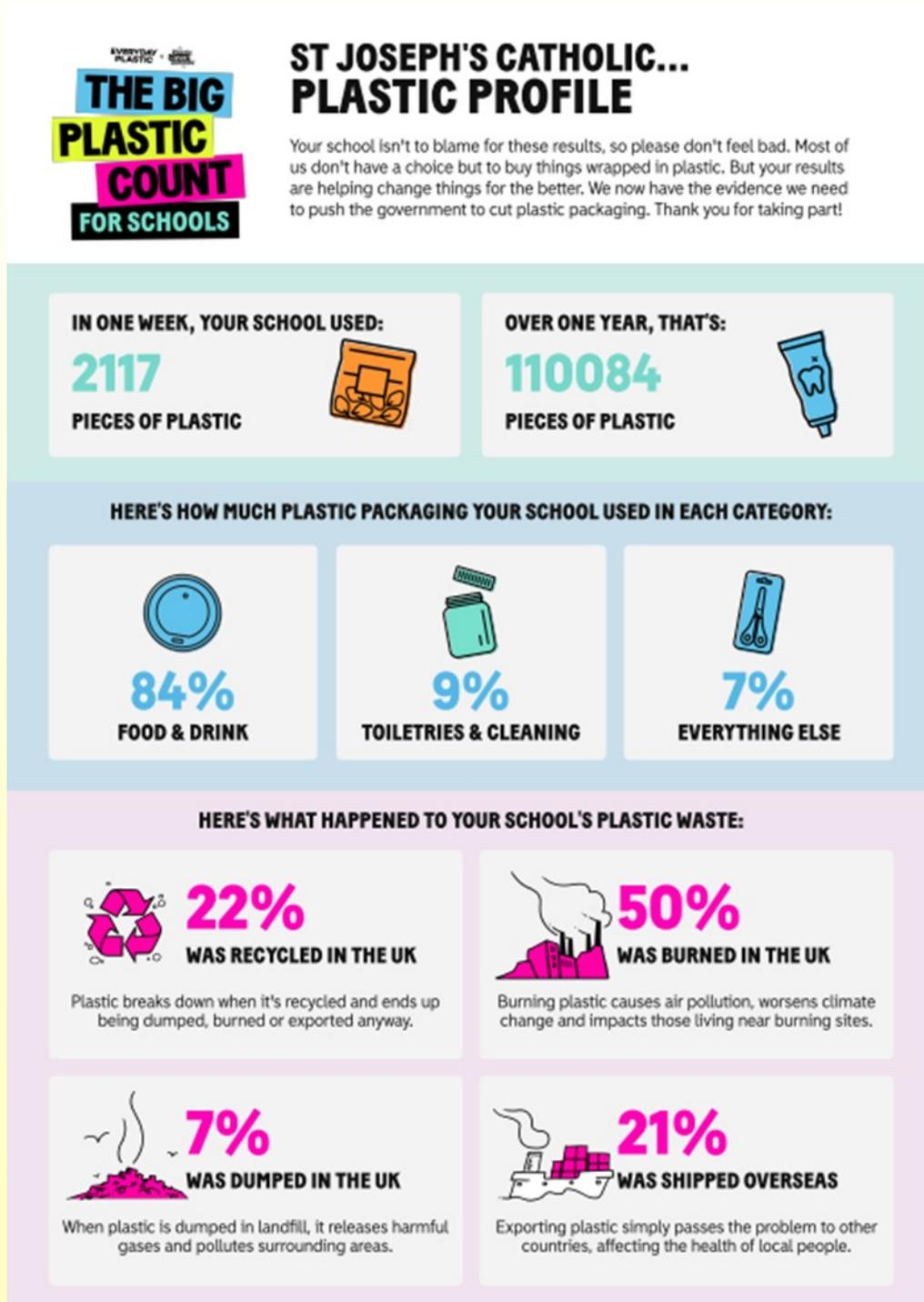


The Big Plastic Count at St. Joseph's school

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Big Plastic Count. All the data has now been submitted, and we have calculated our school's carbon footprint (see the poster). The results have been a real eye-opener! It clearly shows how much plastic we use in everyday life (at home and at school) and the impact it has on our environment. Next time you go shopping, take a moment to think about how much plastic is in your basket and consider choosing options with less packaging. Small changes can make a big difference.

Let's keep working together to take care of our planet.

Thank you to Ms Martin for collating the evidence.



Request from The Elizabeth Line

Good afternoon - At the Elizabeth line, the safety of our customers is at the heart of everything we do. To better understand how our customers feel about safety on the Elizabeth line, and to identify where we can improve, we have created the attached survey. We would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey and share it with any friends or colleagues who use the Elizabeth line—whether they travel with us daily or occasionally. The survey is completely anonymous, and the feedback we receive will help us make meaningful improvements in the areas that matter most to our customers. If possible, please submit the completed survey by 7th April. Thank you very much for your time and support.



Knights of St. Columba

Please don't forget about The Knights of St. Columba Easter Season competition. The competition is open to children in Years 3 to 6. The art work needs to depict an Easter scene. The children need to create their 2D scene on one side of A4. On the reverse side of the paper, they need to state their name in capital letters, their age, their class, their school.

Entries will be collected on 13th April. The Knights offer fantastic prizes, so the competition is worth entering. Good luck.

St Joseph's Toddler Group

Please see the flyer at the back for the spring term dates.



Cooking Club

Please see flyer at the back for Early Bird offer for next term.



Get Connected with the Arbor App

Currently, 60% of our parents have successfully logged into the Arbor Parent Portal. We'd love to see that number grow.

Why sign up?

The Arbor App is the quickest way to stay updated. Most importantly, you can now report your child's absence in seconds. Simply tap 'Attendance' and 'Log Absence' to send the details directly to our office team.

You can also:

- Track Attendance: See your child's percentage and daily marks instantly.
- Update Details: Ensure your contact info is always current.

How to join:

We have sent an activation email to all parents. Please check your inbox (and your junk folder!) for your invitation link to set up your account.

Or you can download the Arbor App or visit login.arbor.sc. Just use the email address we have on file for you and click 'Forgotten Password' to get started.



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	Sidra	For making a beautiful lilly for St Joseph's Day.
RB	Annie	For leading prayers showing respect. Thank you!
RL	Triana	For creating a wonderful lily for St Joseph's Day!
1EB	Noah	For his thoughtful drawing of a Station of the Cross.
1AP	Ziyu	For showing his understanding that Jesus showed his love during the Last Supper.
2AF	Vigana	For her excellent understanding of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
2SR	All of 2SR	For their wonderful contributions for our community picnic, thank you!
2AS	Filip B	For explaining the importance of saying sorry when we have sinned.
3DB	Elliot	For making fantastic links between the story of 'The Last Supper' and the Mass.
3GS	Bruno	For great participation and engagement in the 'Feeding of the 5000' lesson. Well done!
3AR	Max and Wil-	For beautiful singing during our St. Joseph's Day celebration
4JB	Anish	For showing understanding of the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats.
4AS	Thevin	For beautiful St Joseph's Day candle decoration.
4S	Abel	For a good understanding of the Sheep and the Goats parable!
5AL	Joseph	For creating an interesting report about what Heaven might be like using scripture to support his ideas.
5MM	Lexi	For great work on understanding what heaven is.
5CR	Bruce	For a great use of quotes when describing what heaven might be like.
6LI	Kaiden	For reflective observations about how Mary felt when Jesus was crucified.
6MS	Pinelli and	For their thoughtful work reflecting on the meaning of 'King of
6WL	Krystian	For a super explanation of how Jesus' actions showed love when discussing the Crucifixion.

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
Nursery	Elilta	For showing more confidence in new situations.
RB	Austin	For making good progress in phonics. Well done!
RL	Maria	For an excellent start to Ladybirds, well done for settling in really quickly!
1EB	Alondra	For her efforts and progress in her reading.
1AP	All of 1AP	For their fantastic effort in their class assembly. Well done!
2AF	Maya	For the wonderful newspaper report on the Titanic!
2SR	Rylee	For making a great improvement in reading; keep it up!
2AS	Filip A	For writing an informative newspaper report.
3DB	Hania	For her fantastic leadership skills in PE.
3GS	Ahmed	For overall great improvement in the grammar and punctuation assessment. Keep up the good work!
3AR	Marcin	For writing a great persuasive letter in Geography!
4JB	Freddie	For his excellent understanding of fractions, overall.
4AS	Tatiana	For showing improved confidence and a positive attitude to swimming.
4S	Olaf	For fantastic effort and enthusiasm during his learning this week.
5AL	Bibiana	For taking advice and acting upon it within the next lesson.
5MM	Jemima	For improved focus and contributing more in class discussions.
5CR	Anaiya	For increasing understanding and confidence in her Maths work!
6LI	Alan	For improved, purposeful focus in lessons.
6MS	Julia	For always being focused and working hard – a great role model!
6WL	Julia	For showing great focus and understanding when learning the progressive verb tense.

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	Melodie RB	For giving her friends big smiles by drawing wonderful pictures for them!
Middle	Ola 3AR	For always being a wonderful example of a good, fair friend and a great role model to all her class.
Upper	Shaynie 5AL	For identifying materials that matched other children's candle designs and proactively offering them support.

**POLSKA SOBOTNIA SZKOŁA PRZEDMIOTÓW OJCZYSTYCH
IM. TADEUSZA KOŚCIUSZKI, EALING**



ADMISSIONS

ARE STILL OPEN

OPEN DAY

**Saturday
21 March, 2026
10:00-12:30**

The Polish Saturday School in Ealing was established over 75 years ago. Throughout the years we remained faithful to our roots, celebrated Polish identity and continued to be home away from home for the Poles.

- ✓ Established over 75 years ago
- ✓ Education for 4-18 year olds
- ✓ GCSE & A-level
- ✓ Celebrating Polish culture and tradition
- ✓ We teach Polish, History, Geography & RE

**St. Gregorys Rc Primary School
Woodfield Road, LONDON W5 1SL**

07970 107 691*

* Phone lines open during school hours 09:00-13:00

zapisy@szkola.org

Scan the QR code to register!





**WORKSHOPS
AT THE DIG
WEDNESDAYS 12-3PM
WITH CARERS CORNER &
URBAN TRAILBLAZER**

- 18th Feb - Decoupage (1 of 2)
- 25th March - Decoupage (2 of 2)
- 18th March - Floristry
- 25th March - Let's grow
- 1st April - Let's grow
- 8th April - Make letters in lights

**FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER
EMAIL INFO@EALINGCARERSPARTNERSHIP.ORG**

Urban
Trailblazer

**62 GREEN LANE, HANWELL,
LONDON W7 2PB**

Free School Uniform

**William Hobbayne Centre
Saturday 21st March
1 pm - 3 pm**



Extend the life of school uniform
Reduce waste and cut carbon
Save money

Both branded and unbranded school uniform will be available. Up to 5 items per child.

 **William Hobbayne Centre**
1 St Dunstan's Road
Hanwell
W7 2EY

For more info scan here or visit
actforealing.org/ealing-school-uniform-swap





St Joseph's PTA

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

We are now collecting chocolate Easter eggs for our upcoming Easter raffle. If you are able to donate, your child can place it in the Easter egg collection box located in their classroom.

 **A PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED TO THE CLASS THAT COLLECTS THE MOST EASTER EGGS!** 

Wednesday 25th March 2026

Children only event

£2 for 5 raffle tickets (1 strip)
£5 for 15 raffle tickets (3 strips)

To purchase tickets please click the link below or scan the QR code

www.pta-events.co.uk/stjosephshanwellpta



ST JOSEPH'S TODDLER GROUP

SPRING TERM DATES

13TH JANUARY

27TH JANUARY

10TH FEBRUARY

24TH FEBRUARY

10TH MARCH

24TH MARCH

WE'RE
BACK!

9.30am - 11.15am

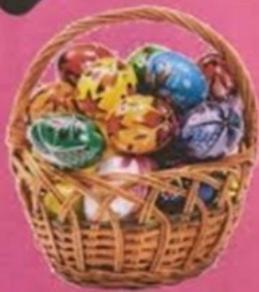
Gates open 9.30-9.40
No entry after this time
due to gate access

The Community Classroom @
St Joseph's Catholic Primary
School, York Avenue,
Hanwell, W7 3HU

HANWELL METHODIST CHURCH

Church Road, Hanwell, London, W7 1DJ

The 11th GREAT EASTER EGG HUNT



Saturday 21st March 2026
2:00pm to 4:30pm

For all the family
Admission FREE

- ✝ Hunt the Easter eggs
- ✝ Children's assorted crafts
- ✝ Homemade Cake stall



Parents are responsible
for their own children

Tea, coffee and homemade
cakes are available for
exhausted parents!



For more information about our Church and the events
we have planned, please visit our Church website
hanwellmethodistchurch.org.uk



COFFEE & CHAT!

*Parents and carers of children and young people with ADHD:
Come and join us for coffee! We will be joined by:*



**Centre for ADHD
& Autism Support**

**Friday 17th April 2026
10.00 - 11.30am**



Supported by **Ealing Parent Carer Forum**

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EALING PARENTING SERVICE

FREE PARENTING WORKSHOPS SPRING / SUMMER TERM 2026

Tues 24th
MAR

**Addressing the Challenges:
Fathers in Caring Roles for Children with SEN**
Delivered by Derek Willis - Ealing Parenting Service
via MS Teams 10am-12pm **men only session*

Tues 21st
APR

**Different Strokes:
Navigating Fatherhood Across Cultures**
Delivered by Derek Willis - Ealing Parenting Service
via MS Teams 10am-12pm **men only session*

Tues 28th
APR

Understanding Your Teenager
Delivered by Sabrina Meakins - SAFE Counselling
via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm
**for parents/carers of over 11s*

Tues 5th
MAY

**Managing Parental Conflict
& It's Impact on Children**
Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

Tues 19th
MAY

Employment, Benefits & Retraining
Delivered by Surria Ali & Thankaraj Karunakaran
- Family Community Work Coaches
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

EALING PARENTING SERVICE

FREE PARENTING WORKSHOPS SPRING / SUMMER TERM 2026

Tues 9th
JUN

SEN Support in Schools +& EHCPs
Delivered by Ealing Contact
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

Tues 16th
JUN

Domestic Abuse, Parenting & You
Delivered by Patricia Chapman - SAFE Team
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

Tues 7th
JUL

Building Healthier Relationships - Part 1
Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

Tues 14th
JUL

Building Healthier Relationships - Part 2
Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service
via MS Teams 10am-12pm

email parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk to register or for more info





COOKING CLUB

Spring Term 2026
9th Jan - 24th Mar

Tuesdays & Fridays
3:20 – 4:20pm

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- A recipe for fun and skill-building



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- Independence
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- Numeracy
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South Road, Southall, UB1 1SF
Dates: MAR 30th, 31st & APR 1st, 2nd



Durdan's Park Primary School

King Georges Dr, Southall UB1 2PQ
Dates: MAR 30th, 31st & APR 1st, 2nd



Gymnastics, Dance, Different Sports, Quizzes, Origami, Art & Craft, Soft Archery, Talent show, Treasure Hunt, Life Skills, Painting, Invasion Games, Team Building, Orienteering, Yoga, Nutrition, Science experiments, Circuit Training, Problem Solving, Leadership, Competitions, Drills and much more...

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30/03	31/03	01/04	02/04	-

COST PER DAY PAID:
9am - 1pm = £25
FSM:
9am - 1pm = FREE



For more information, please contact:

Mr Patel on email: enquiry.jsacamps@gmail.com



Multi Sports Camp

Places Available For Children

The All Sports London team will host a fun-packed program to provide a safe, friendly and secure environment where a variety of activities are offered. The Holiday camp promotes healthy lifestyles and positive social interactions.

REGISTER ONLINE USING QR CODE OVER PAGE

Remember, these places are open for all the year groups & other local schools. Once you complete the form, your children's placement will be secure. You can make the payment online.

NOTE: Fees don't apply to the benefit related FSM children. All the activities and food are completely FREE for ALL 4 DAYS (9am - 1pm).



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Genius HOLIDAY CLUBS

EASTER 2026



WHEN: MON-THU 30TH-2ND APRIL

TIME: 10AM TO 2PM

WHERE: St Mark's Primary School, 22 Lower Boston Rd

London W7 2NR AGES: 5-16

VISIT: WWW.GENIUSTUITION.CO.UK/ealing



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Spring Spark

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OUR ITINERARY

Sports | Games | Arts and Crafts |
Team competitions | spring themed fun
| Outings | Adventure Explorers plus
many more....

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Tuesday 7th to Friday 10th April

Spring Spark Camp is an inclusive 4-day adventure! We offer daily sports, hands-on STEM, and "Mini Cooks" nutrition sessions. Our program is inclusive, featuring healthy food diaries, arts and crafts and collaborative play. Join us for a vibrant week of growth, discovery, and spring fun for every child!

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30th March
- 10th April*

*Excluding Bank Holidays

7.45am-6pm
& 9am-5pm



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and to book your place please visit
www.aktivacamps.com

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Our programmes are designed to be high-energy, full of variety, and most importantly, fun! Your child(ren) will return home with memories, home-made souvenirs, and new friendships.

Building confidence
and broadening
experience™



EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS AT:
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St Mark's Primary, West Acton Primary
Acton Gardens Primary*, Mount Carmel
Wendell Park, Brackenbury, Belmont
Queen's Manor Primary



DAY SESSIONS

Short Day: 9am to 5pm - £48
Full day: 7.45am to 6pm - £51

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Short Day: 9:00am to 3:30pm - £40
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JOIN EALING CRICKET CLUB THIS SUMMER

**WHERE CONFIDENT, HAPPY CRICKETERS BEGIN
EARLY SIGN UP OFFER FOR AGES 4-11**



Coaching for U9s (current Year 4 and below) takes place every Friday evening at Corfton Road: group sessions and games for the kids, and a real family vibe on the sidelines with the bar open and BBQ/ food on. It's one of the best parts of the week.

We're especially looking to expand our U8s and below (Year 3) section!

Ealing Cricket Club is looking for boys and girls to join our junior section for the upcoming summer season. We run energetic, friendly and inclusive cricket, with festivals, internal leagues and tournaments designed so kids of different abilities can play cricket safely, develop their skills and leave smiling every week.



**JOIN BEFORE MARCH AND GET A £25 BAR VOUCHER*
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