# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter





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#### St. Joseph's Day

On Wednesday, the whole school celebrated St. Joseph's Day, our unsung hero and father figure to Jesus. Celebrations began in Church with Mass for Years 2 to 6. The parishioners were very impressed with the children's singing, one saying that they '...sang like Angels!' Thank you to the readers and to Mr Brooks for playing the keyboard and a thank you to Father Cristiano and to Father Julio for celebrating the Mass. At school, Reception and Year 1 held a liturgy reflecting on how important St. Joseph was to Jesus and Mary. Thank you to Mr. Doak for leading the worship in the Lower Phase.



The afternoon was filled with faith, fun and creativity as all the children took part in a variety of activities, all around the life of St. Joseph. Nursery learned the 'St. Joseph was a Carpenter' hymn and decorated lilies and used toy tools during role-play based on St. Joseph's tools as a carpenter. Reception also decorated lilies and built things with Lego. Year 1 decorated biscuits and made paper lilies followed by playing with Lego. Year 2 spent their time icing biscuits and drawing and decorating a picture of St. Joseph. Year 3 decorated cookies, crafted lilies - a symbol of purity and devotion – and created stained glass pictures of St. Joseph by tracing pictures of him and colouring them in. Year 4 created Jars of Hope to go with the Year of Hope and created water colours of St. Joseph. Year 5

made toolboxes and prayer cards and Year 6 had talks on St. Joseph and the amount and variety of statues that there are of our Patron Saint. A truly fun packed afternoon!





#### Sunday 23rd March 2025

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9



The Lord of the vineyard offers us ample chance to bear fruit

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them-do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next ear, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'

#### **Father Bernard**

Some of you will have heard already, but Father Bernard passed away on Monday. He was our beloved Parish Priest quite a few years ago and was also Dean of Ealing Deanery. He died peacefully surrounded by family at St. Anne's Home in Hackney. The picture below takes pride of place in our Dance Studio.



Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

#### Beep, Beep! Day

Yesterday, Nursery class celebrated Road Safety Day with Beep Beep! Day. Children came to school dressed up in bright-coloured clothes. They have been learning about how to cross the road safely and how to stay safe in the car. Children have also learnt the 'Stop, Look, Listen, Think' song in order to remember road safety rules.







#### **Breakfast snacks**

We do not have a breakfast club where we serve breakfast, we have an early morning drop-off club with no breakfast. Lately, we have noticed children coming in with food from home or shops. That is fine as long as it is a breakfast type of snack and not fizzy drinks, sweets and crisps. Please remember no nuts, which can be found in some cereal bars.

#### **Talent For Writing**

Congratulations to the Year 5 children who took part and received a certificate of merit in the 2025 Young Writers competition. Each child created an original poetry piece which was then selected to be published in the Young Writers Anthology. Well done to Euan, Evelyn, Cara, Richie, Isla, Louie, Chris, Shaina, Kayden, Carina, Ava, Xuanshi, Grania, Natalie, Keeva, Zofia, Olivia and Kseniia. Thank you to Miss Richardson for organising.



#### Lackoftieitis

During my Friday morning assemblies there were quite a few children who were not wearing their school tie. It is part of the school uniform so must be worn. Please hunt around at home for lost ties or buy one from the uniform shop. Remember to put your child's name in it.

#### Football

Last week, the girls' and boys' football teams travelled to Ealing Trailfinders to play their final matches of the group stages. Each team needed to win their match to progress to the next stage of the competition. The girls kicked off first against an organised Hobbayne team. It took a bit of time for the girls to get their first goal, but once they got momentum the goals kept coming. An impressive display throughout the match allowed the girls to walk away with a 6-0 win which means they have progressed to the knockout stages.

The boys were next and realised early on that they would be in for a really difficult match. Two Hobbayne players ran the show by scoring two goals in the first half but St Joseph's regularly kept pressure to stay in the game. In the last five minutes of the match the boys gave everything to get a win but unfortunately, they narrowly missed out on a draw. Both teams played exceptionally well and should be extremely proud of their performances. Well done to Natalie, Pinelli, Beatrix, Olive, Jessica, Gabriela, Martyna, Julia, Georgina, Joy, Eddie, Louie, Gega, Calum, Joshua, Noah, Cody, Franciszek, Samuel and Alex.

Thank you to Mr Sheehan and Mrs Dziedzic-Korzen for accompanying the children to the matches.



#### PTA Easter Egg Raffle

Please have a look at the posters on the gates and at the back of this newsletter. The PTA is holding its annual Easter Egg Raffle and I hope you can be as generous as possible with donations and ticket purchases.



#### My Little Chef at Home Cooking Club

This super club is taking booking for the summer term. Please see the flyer at the back and scan the QR code to find out more information and to make a booking. Or you can click the link: <a href="https://mylittlechefathome.classforkids.io/term/97">https://mylittlechefathome.classforkids.io/term/97</a>

#### Free Online Workshops or help

Please look at the back of the newsletter for workshops and help on all manner of topics including: Supporting positive behaviour in children 28th March

#### **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
Nur	Oleksandr	For talking about St. Joseph.
RB	Aoife	For her fantastic writing about St. Joseph. Well done!
RL	Klaudia	For always saying your prayers very nicely.
1AP	Krishna	For coming up with ways to change ourselves so that we can live like Jesus.
1EB	Hannah	For a good piece of work about how she has changed.
1SR	Eduvie	For his thoughtful work on how he has changed.
2AF	Mason	For his enthusiasm and participation in our St. Joseph Day activities.
2CF	William	For showing dedication to his St. Joseph's Day activities.
2JB	Ayanne	For her excellent behaviour and following of instructions at St. Joseph's Day Mass.
3AR	Nataniel	For linking Matthew's Gospel with his own ideas on how to give to others.
3DB	Jordaine	For making fantastic links between scripture and her own life to show ways of 'giving' to others.
3SM	Myles	For setting a fantastic example to his peers during the St. Joseph's Day Mass.
4AS	Shane	For thinking carefully about how he needs to be self-disciplined to develop a skill.
4GS	All of 4GS	For behaving impeccably and singing beautifully at the Mass for the feast of St. Joseph. Well done!
4S	Zofia	For suggesting fantastic actions that would fulfil the sending forth. Well done!
5AL	Euan	For creating a lovely prayer card for St. Joseph.
5AS	Calum	For making fantastic links to our lessons about the Eucharist during mass.
5CR	Kaiden	For reading confidently during the St. Joseph's Day mass this week. Well done!
6LI	Artemiy	For showing great focus and participating well at the Solemnity Mass on St. Joseph's Day.
6MS	Lidia	For her thoughtful and interesting responses to the Stations of the Cross. Well done.
6WL	Cameron	For excellent behaviour during our St. Joseph's Day mass – a good role model.

#### 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
Nur	Aleksander	For helping others during class work.
RB	Franciszek	For always giving his best effort. Well done!
RL	Jan	For working hard to improve your handwriting.
1AP	Clara	For using the suffixes 'er' and 'est' when writing sentences.
1EB	All of 1EB	For a super St. Joseph's assembly.
1SR	Andrii	For trying his best even when he is faced with challenges.
2AF	Bruno	For taking on feedback and making improvements, well done!
2CF	Max	For being a wonderful role model to his peers.
2JB	Lourdes	For great understanding of doubling.
3AR	Julia	For a great effort when writing a non-chronological report about Tobago.
3DB	Kateryna	For settling in so well to life at St. Joseph's.
3SM	Riku	For excellent development and improvement in rounders, particularly in underarm throwing. Well done!
4AS	Alan	For diligently practising his Liturgy lines and delivering them with wonderful clarity and intonation!
4GS	Meabh	For a fabulous narrative full of expanded noun phrases and ambitious vocabulary. Well done!
48	Darragh	For an excellent understanding of fractions and decimals!
5AL	Helen	For working well in a group to calculate the average distance a car travelled on different surfaces.
5AS	Joshua	For showing excellent behaviour and attitude.
5CR	Ola	For brilliant determination and effort in her PE lessons this week.
6LI	Leena	For writing an informative explanation text about the Anderson Shelter.
6MS	Henry	For going the extra mile to learn all of the African flags for our Lenten fundraiser. Good job!
6WL	Ryan	For super work on suffixes.

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	Shae Nur.	For showing kindness to others.
Middle	Adrianna 2JB	For always being a fantastic example of excellent behaviour for learning for her classmates.
Upper	Natanim 6MS	For always being a kind and helpful member of the class.



**Ealing Mental Health Support Team** 

## WORKSHOPS FOR PARENT/CARERS

**SPRING TERM 2024** 





If you would like to sign up to one of our workshops, please do so on the below website or scan the QR code.



https://forms.gle/jmUT9kJNRPNdBUAh6



If you have any questions, please do email us on: Ealing.mhst@nhs.net

#### PRE AND POST-ATTENDANCE GUIDE

#### Step 1

Use our QR code to sign up for a workshop(s) of your choice

#### Step 2

You will be emailed a Microsoft Teams link several days before the workshop

#### Step 3

You'll receive another email reminder on the morning of the workshop

#### Step 4

All workshops start promptly on the time advertised. Please note we cannot guarantee access to the workshop if sign up is on the day so do sign up as early as possible

#### Step 5

To ensure you receive resources from the workshop you have attended, please complete the eedback form provided at the end of the session



Promoting hope & wellbeing together



#### AN INTRODUCTION TO SUPPORTING ANXIETY IN TEEN LOW MOOD CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE **AUTISM** This workshop is aimed at This workshop is aimed at This workshop is aimed at parents of children attending parents of **secondary**-aged parents of children attending Primary and Secondary who children, who would like to Primary and Secondary, who know more about what may how to manage anxiety in cause low mood and gain Autism and how to support young people, as well as knowledge of strategies that children where Autism may be helping to build their can help to improve low mood. suspected or diagnosed. confidence. Date: January 16th 2024 Date: January 25th 2024 Date: January 26th 2024 Time: 1:30pm - 3:00pm Time: 1pm - 2:15pm Time: 11am - 12:15pm SUPPORTING FRIENDSHIP IN UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR FOR **MANAGING EXAM STRESS** CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS CHILDREN This workshop is aimed at This workshop is aimed at parents of children attending parents of **primary**-aged parents of **secondary**-aged Primary and Secondary. The why behaviours may occur in support your young person with building and managing children with a range of strategies to promote wellbeing in students before, supporting with social anxiety. support positive behaviours in 💻 during and after exams. children. Date: February 12th 2024 Date: February 13th 2024 Date: February 22nd 2024 Time: 11am - 12:30pm Time: 11:30am - 1pm Time: 1pm - 2:15pm ........... **UNDERSTANDING MENTAL** AN INTRODUCTION TO SUPPORTING POSITIVE HEALTH IN ADOLESCENT BOYS **AUTISM IN ADOLESCENTS BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN** CHARLES THE PARTY OF THE PARTY \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* This workshop supports paren of **primary**-aged children. It of **secondary**-aged children. It aims to introduce parents to the causes of declining mental aims to introduce parents to the introduces parents to common behavioural difficulties, factors that influence behaviour and strategies to manage your child's behaviour. It'll also consider the equips parents with strategies to promote positive mental health. Date: March 14th 2024 Date: March 19th 2024 Date: March 28th 2024 Time: 11am - 12:30pm Time: 10:30am - 12pm Time: 11am-12:30pm Promoting hope & wellbeing together

# online parenting workshop



## Managing the Stresses of Fatherhood:

# Coping with Pressure and Finding Balance

Fatherhood is rewarding, but it can also bring significant stress and pressure. This workshop offers practical tools and strategies to recognise, manage and reduce stress, while maintaining your wellbeing.

Learn how to balance responsibilities, build resilience, and stay connected with what matters most - your family and yourself.

Empower your journey as a father with confidence and calm.







Chris Kolade & Derek Willis Ealing Parenting Service

<u>Please note: This is a targeted workshop for men only</u>

email parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk to register your place











### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



## COOKING CLUB

Summer Term 2025 w/c 28th Apr - 14th July

Tuesdays and Fridays 3:20pm - 4:20pm

Culinary Creativity in just one hour!

- · Exploring food in a fun & safe way
- · Sweet and savoury dishes
- · A recipe for fun and skill-building



Developing Life Skills:

□ Nutrition □ Literacy

| Creativity | | Numeracy

Independence [ Confidence

Teamwork 🛛 Problem Solving



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"All our children have thrived in their own way. From academic and sporting success, to art and drama triumphs, they have all found something that has given them confidence in themselves and led them to professional and personal success. We couldn't be more proud" = Parent.

We see the best in people, so that each finds a place at the top of *their* tree.

#### **OPEN MORNING SATURDAY 10 MAY**



**BOOK YOUR PLACE** 

Be you. Become more.



We remain, quite deliberately, small enough that we can know every one of our students in the way that their parents know them - their hopes and fears, their enthusiasms and trepidations. We have created an atmosphere that is challenging yet not intimidating, because education here happens one student at a time.

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YEAR 5+ TUESDAY 10 JUNE TUESDAY 24 JUNE

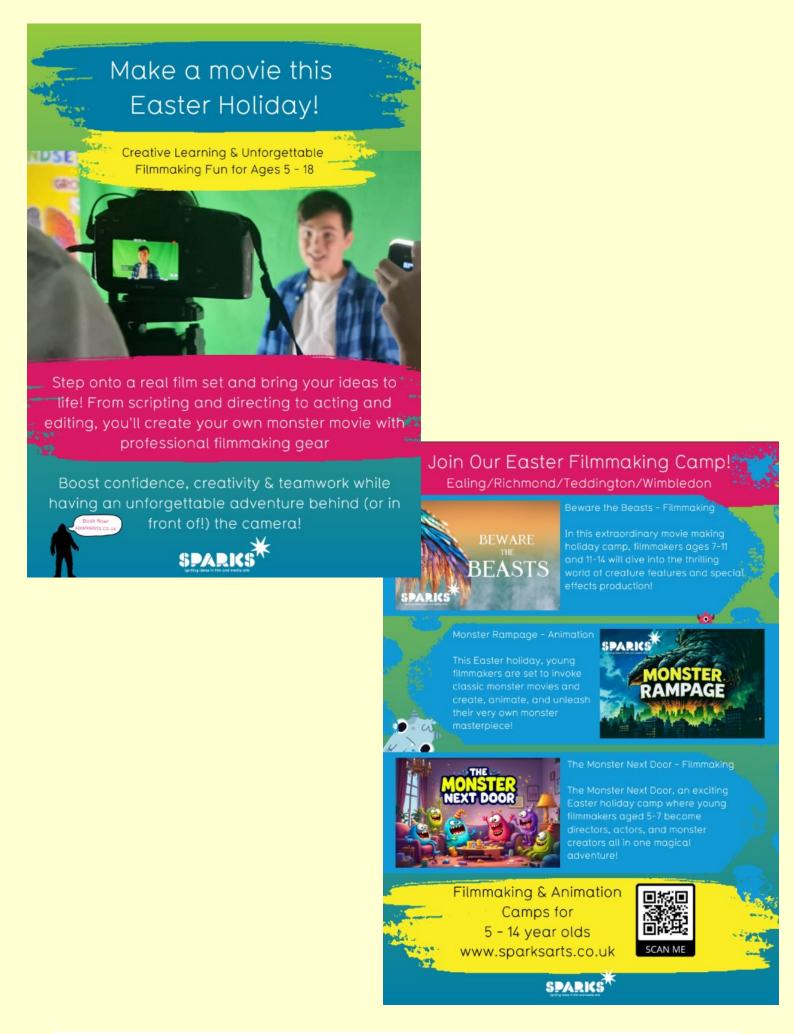


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