



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Welcome back!

I hope that the Easter holiday finds you and your family well rested and ready for the summer term. This term is wonderful, one can really see all the hard work put in by your child and the staff come to fruition.

CAFOD

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development sent me a lovely letter thanking the school for all the wonderful fund raising that we have done for their Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Local Ukrainian aid workers and volunteers are already reaching families in need. The total raised was £3,889.03. Thank you!



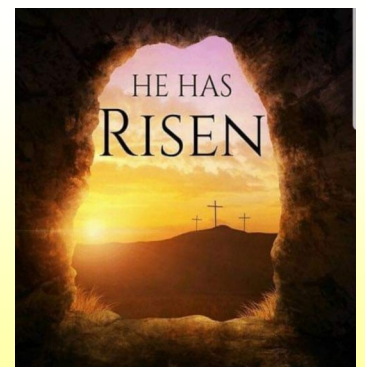
Sunday 24th April 2022

Gospel: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

Year 4 Easter Liturgies

Today, we celebrated the final trilogy of Year 4 Easter liturgies - The Resurrection. 4MS led this final liturgy and spoke beautifully and clearly. They gave us a clear reminder that although Christ has risen, which we celebrate, we also need to do our bit everyday to show love and compassion. Thank you to Ms Smith and Mrs Szyszka for preparing the class and to Mrs Ingham for her musical accompaniment.



Visiting other schools

On Thursday, I was at another school in Ealing conducting a peer review. It is always nice to go to other schools and see how they are run and possibly 'steal' ideas that we can use. It was a supportive visit but there were no ideas to 'steal' to use at St. Joseph's which in one way for you is really comforting to know.

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PE kit

A reminder that the Governing body approved the wearing of yellow school polo shirts for girls and also black shorts for PE for everyone. There will be a period of grace of 24 months for the old white shorts.

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 | Annabella | For writing fantastic holiday news. |
| 1AS | D'Law | For making great improvement in reading – especially her expression! |
| 1SS | Mariusz | For improving his behaviour. |
| 2JB | Alicja | For her excellent listening and concentration in all subjects. |
| 2EB | Luca | For writing a good recount of Jesus' resurrection completely independently. |
| 2SL | Kaiden | For a great improvement in his written work! |
| 3AR | Aiyah | For wonderful contributions during our introduction to the Ancient Egyptians. |
| 3DS | Jethya | For giving very thoughtful examples in RE. |
| 3SR | Alexander | For making a great improvement with his reading. |
| 4AS | James | For starting this term with a fantastic attitude. |
| 4MS | Oliver | For always putting 100% effort into everything he does. A great role model! |
| 4W | Dennis | For consistently trying his best in all subjects throughout the year. |
| 5B | Christina | For her impressive amount of research on our aspect of Chinese culture. |
| 5L | Diego | For creating a wonderful PowerPoint presentation about China. |
| 5W | Charlie | Helping Miss McEwen with all her questions. |
| 6B | Zuzanna | For developing an accurate overarm throwing technique in Cricket. |
| 6I | Maria | For working with focus in all lessons; demonstrating a mature attitude. |
| 6J | Lili-Ella | For an all-round fantastic effort in all subjects/lessons. |

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 | Asher | For always being kind and gentle. |
| Middle | Enda 2JB | For being a good chaperone welcoming a new classmate. |
| Upper | Kalel 4AS | For being helpful and supportive to those in need. |

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

Rugby

During the Easter holiday, Beatrix in Year 2 went on the Grasshoppers Rugby tour to Bournemouth. The time spent at the tournament was great and Beatrix, along with her teammates, won the "Spirit of Rugby" cup for the best under 7s team. Well done Beatrix! The women's Six Nations tournament is currently taking place. One day, we may see Beatrix playing in that tournament.



Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home

Today marks 'World Earth Day'. Earth Day became an international campaign in 1990, when environmental activists requested that an annual event be held to spotlight the ecological challenges facing the planet. Each year on the 22nd April there is a new theme. This year's theme is 'Invest in our Planet. What will you do?'



We are also currently experiencing the biggest increase to our cost of living. This situation is forcing families to consider a more sustainable way of living by reducing waste (food, water, electricity), fuel usage, shopping locally and in a more considered way, re-purposing items, selling unwanted belongings, 'making do' and mending. These actions will benefit families and the wider world.

Challenge:

As a family can you think of ways that you can 'Invest in the planet' by making more considered choices that will benefit your household and, as a result, the wider world? Can you take on the role of 'light monitor' and make sure that lights are switched off? Can you plan weekend activities that do not require the car? Think of new ways to live sustainably.

If you have any great ideas please share them with us – laudatosi@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>



Nursery & Reception School Disco 18th May 4.30—5.30pm

The DJ has been booked, it should be a great night which the children are sure to enjoy.

Tickets will go on sale on the 3rd May at the lower phase and nursery gates and will be priced £3 each. This will include entrance, snack and a soft drink. Small toys will also be on sale starting from £1. As the disco is for the younger children they will need to be accompanied by an adult. Adult tickets will be £1 and hot drinks and cakes will be available to purchase on the day.

Tickets for the previous disco's sold out really quickly so to avoid disappointment please make sure you buy them early.

Preloved Uniform Collection

It has been decided to sell the preloved uniform at the summer fete. If you have any items of uniform you no longer require please donate these, there is a collection point in the front office. We accept clean and good quality, current logo uniform or sports uniform. We are grateful for all donations received.



Summer Fete 25th June

The summer fete is not far away and it is always the highlight of the year, so put the date in your diaries. It is usually great fun and a wonderful community spirit. There will be lots of stalls, live music and entertainment.

We have already been donated some fantastic prizes - iPad, meal and hair vouchers and a large cash prize. If you have contacts or work for a company who would be willing to donate a prize please let the PTA know.

Doyle Sales and Lettings have kindly agreed to place boards outside 30 houses in the local area promoting the fete. If you are able to have a board outside your house for 2 weeks please let us know the name of the street and your telephone number (freehold home owners only please).

We are appealing for caterers to support the summer fete. If you have any contacts that would be willing to provide catering on the day then please get in touch with the PTA. Any support would be very much appreciated.

We are also appealing for volunteers to help with the preparation leading up to the event and on the day itself. We have a WhatsApp group for PTA helpers, please email us your telephone number if you are interested in joining.

Thank you
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