



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Children in Crisis – Own Clothes Day Wednesday 22nd November

Thank you so much for your response to our appeal to help the children injured in Palestine and Israel. So far, we have collected £675 and there is still money coming in. If you have not had the chance to donate money for when your child came to school on Wednesday in their 'own clothes', there is still time and it is much needed.

Thank you to all who have contributed so far!



Scholastic November Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who bought books at the Scholastics book fair. In total, we managed to sell £1405.50 worth of books and accessories over the five days.

A special thank you also goes to the five teams of sellers who worked hard to drum up business and sell the books. We ran a competition to see which team would be able to raise the most amount of money. The 'Thursday 16th' team comprising Evelina, Milla, Shivangi and Victoria won by selling £416 worth of books and accessories. Well done! They each chose a prize from the Book Fair. A big thank you to Mrs. Kenny for organising the fair.



Sunday 26th November 2023

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46



*We will be judged by the standard
of visible, tangible love*

Jesus said to them, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'

Crazy Hair Day

On Friday it was Crazy Hair day. Well done to all the children who came to school with crazy hair. Even better if all the children who had crazy hair brought a gift in to school for a child as was the expectation. If you forgot your gift today, please bring the gift in on Monday.



Friday 1st December: Silly Sock Day — Bring in a gift for a woman

Odd socks, silly socks, colourful socks—anything goes! On Friday 1st December, in exchange for the children wearing silly socks please bring in a gift for a woman. Thank you.



Football

On Wednesday the boys' and girls' football teams had their first Peal Shield match of the year against Oaklands Primary School. The boys had a tough match last year against Oaklands and narrowly missed out on a win. This year they were determined to come away with a win. Once St. Joseph's scored their first goal they could not stop. They managed to score a whopping 7 goals against the opposition and then focused on not conceding a goal. A last minute save by the St. Joseph's goalie Ollie, maintained an unstoppable defensive showcase. A fantastic performance by all players to kickstart the season.

The girls' match had lots of twists and turns. The opposition were strong and consistently gave St. Joseph's difficulties throughout the match. It was 1-0 to Oaklands by the end of the first half but after a team talk the girls went out with fire in their bellies determined to change the score. In the second half, St. Joseph's scored a fantastic goal but Oaklands always kept their lead. A lapse in concentration allowed Oaklands to score more but the girls remained determined all the way to the end. They even scored the final goal of the match. Unfortunately the match ended in a 5-2 loss but the girls should still be extremely proud of their resilience. As this is the first time some of the girls have played competitively I have no doubt that this team will go on to do amazing things throughout the season.

Well done to all the players in the teams - Ellie, Joy, Gabby, Millie, Reis, Lilia, Julia, Sofia, Lottie, Georgina, Ollie, Riley, Joey, Ronell, Noel, Franciszek, Louis, Joel and Lucas. Thank you to Mr. Sheehan, Miss Redhead and Miss Scotts for accompanying the children to the match.

Pre-owned Uniform Sale

We will be holding a pre-owned uniform sale on Tuesday 28th November 2023. The sale will take place from 3.00-3.45 pm in the Dance Studio, which is in the Upper Phase. All monies raised will be donated to our Children in Crisis appeal.



Winter 2023 HAF programme

The HAF programme provides funded holiday provision, including healthy food and enriching activities, for children and young people in Reception to Y11 who reside in or attend school in Ealing and are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals (FSM), or who are vulnerable and would benefit from a HAF place.



Children in Reception to Year 6 who are in receipt of the universal FSM offer are **not eligible** for HAF.

Ealing's Winter HAF will run from Friday 22 December 2023 and Tuesday 2 to Friday 5 January 2024.

Eligible children and young people can attend for a maximum of **5 days** over the Christmas school holiday.

Booking information and FAQ: [HAF pages on Ealing's Families Directory](#).

HAF bookings open Wednesday 15th November and close Thursday 21st December

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	Abesalat	For joining in class discussions.
RB	Zuzanna	For always being a kind and considerate friend.
RH	Nikola	For always saying our prayers so beautifully.
RL	Debora	For putting in great effort during the class nativity practice.
1AP	James	For his participation when talking about vocabulary from our new 'Waiting' topic.
1EB	Olivia	For writing her topic words and drawing pictures so well.
1SR	Elliot	For great participation in Collective Worship Hymn Practice.
2AB	Julia	For excellent writing on the symbolism of the white garment in Baptism.
2AF	Anastasia	For excellent writing on what the candle symbolises in a Baptism.
2JB	Myles	For showing understanding of the symbolism of the Baptism Candle.
3AR	Samuel	For excellent contributions when discussing the demands and joys of visitors.
3DB	Rich	For his lovely bauble design showing the joys and demands of visitors.
3MS	D'Law	For her creation of an appropriate symbol which could be hung on a Jesse Tree.
4AS	Sarah	For taking great interest in Hinduism and writing lots about Hindu books.
4GS	Kayah	For correctly guessing what the 6 blind men felt in the Hindu story. Well done!
4S	Evelyn	For being able to recognise some of the Hindu holy books and their importance.
5AL	Atila	For finding £10 and quickly handing it in to a member of staff.
5AS	Martyna	For creating a wonderful poem about waiting in hope for Christmas.
5CR	Abigail	For making an informative poster about the different volunteering opportunities in Ealing!
6LI	Alex	For showing understanding of vocabulary associated with Ordination.
6MS	Ellie	For her thoughtful work describing different types of 'religious life'.
6WL	Gabrielle	For showing understanding of the ways in which St. Francis of Assisi lived like God.

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	Imogen	For beautiful performances in our Nativity rehearsals.
RB	Mabel	For showing more confidence in blending sounds. Well done!
RH	Andrii	For good sitting on the carpet.
RL	John	For trying so hard with his reading.
1AP	Lidia	For trying her best in all lessons.
1EB	Ali	For trying really hard with his reading and writing.
1SR	Lucas	For working so much harder when writing independently, keep it up!
2AB	Ali	For excellent work on identifying common 3D shapes.
2AF	Ansel	For being kind to others when they are hurt in the playground.
2JB	Livia	For her very well written informal letter based on 'The Day the Crayons Quit'.
3AR	Leon	For writing an engaging and interesting newspaper report.
3DB	Alicia	For being so helpful in class and setting a wonderful example to her class.
3MS	Tymon	For always remaining focused, completing beautiful work and contributing to class discussions.
4AS	Alan	For showing great interest in our Science lesson when building circuits.
4GS	Ava	For thoroughly proofreading and editing her diary entry. Well done!
4S	Teaganmarie	For superb understanding of symmetry in 2D shapes.
5AL	Lena and Aiyah	For making someone in class feel valued by including them in their games.
5AS	Lily	For always pushing herself to produce excellent work.
5CR	Olivier	For being actively engaged in our Geography lesson and understanding how different mountains are formed.
6LI	Mya	For including lots of information, including a 'Catholic Link' on a Healthy Body poster (Science).
6MS	Laura	For her great dribbling skills in Hockey. Well done!
6WL	Arsen	For writing a carefully considered balanced argument in English.

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	Fabiola Nur.	For looking after our new class member.
Middle	Arianna 3AR	For comforting another child when they were sad and upset.
Upper	Isla 4AS	For always making good choices and for putting 100% effort into her learning.