



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

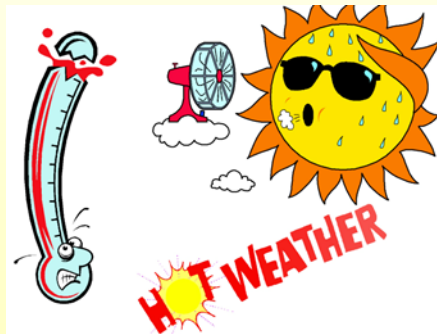
26th June 2026



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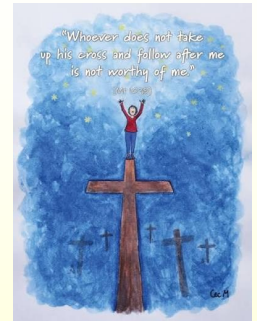
Hot Spell

As we come towards the end of this exceptionally hot spell, I wanted to thank the parent body and children for their flexibility, focus and care. The challenging conditions have brought out the best in our community, everyone working together to ensure learning continues but also ensuring that wellbeing is high on the agenda. I want to also thank our wonderful staff for their resilience, patience and good humour throughout.



Sunday 28th June 2026

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42



"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me... and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones... truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

PTA Summer Fete

One of the most popular events in the school calendar is happening this Saturday. It is the PTA Summer Fete. It is a magnificent day with something for everyone. Please do come along and bring friends and family. This event has taken a lot of organisation so please support it well. Please offer up some of your time to the PTA if you have a spare hour or two to help out.

The weather is looking very hot again tomorrow, please be prepared for the heat and bring your hats and sun cream!



Idling Engines

I have received a few complaints from residents about parents entering York Avenue before the Safer Street starts and sitting in their cars with the engine running so that the air conditioning works. Please do not leave your cars running. It pollutes the air that your child will be breathing.



Science Day

On Tuesday 30th June, we will be celebrating Science Day. Nursery to Year 3 will be doing activities related to David Attenborough to commemorate his 100th birthday this year. Meanwhile, Years 4 and 5 will be presenting their investigations to their class in a bid to make it through to a final on a later date. Year 6 will present their investigations on a later date as they are currently busy rehearsing for their production. To mark the day, could children please bring in one of their white winter uniform shirts to mimic a scientist's lab coat to wear during their Science Day activity on that day. Thank you to Mr Buckfield for organising the day.

Catholic Social Teaching Focus: Dignity – Caring for Ourselves

This week, we remember that dignity also means valuing ourselves as God's beloved children. Taking care of our bodies, minds, and hearts honours the precious gift of life God has given us.

How you can help at home:

- **Healthy Choices:** Encourage balanced eating, rest, and regular exercise.
- **Positive Self-Talk:** Help your child replace negative thoughts with affirmations of their worth.

Quiet Time with God: Set aside moments for prayer, reflection, or simply being still to nurture inner peace.

Scripture:

"Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your bodies." — 1 Corinthians 6:19–20

Prayer/Reflection:

Loving God, thank You for the gift of life and the bodies, minds, and hearts You have given us. Help us to care for ourselves with gratitude and respect, so that we may serve You and others with joy. Amen.

TfL Citizens Project

On Wednesday, the hottest day of the year so far, Emily from TfL Citizens visited Year 6 to discuss independent travel with the children. This was great timing as they are about to attend their secondary school induction days and will soon be off to their various secondary schools!

Quite a few topics were covered in the hour Emily spent with them, on the theme 'with independence comes responsibility', starting with planning your journey, even if you are walking, so as the safest route is used. Surprisingly, her first message was that active travel (walking, cycling, scooting) is often a quicker option to using public transport - the children came up with many ways why this might be true.

The main modes of public transport children will use to get to their secondary schools are likely to be bus and tube/train, so these were discussed in greater detail using some clear presentation photos and videos which covered:

- Keeping safe at bus stops / on platforms by waiting away from the edge
- Tapping Zip Oyster once for the bus, twice (in and out) at stations
- Responsible, respectful behaviours when using public transport
- What to do when you need help

TfL staff are 'safer strangers', identifiable in uniform and can be approached when you need support

If they are to use public transport to get to school, Year 6 were also told of the need to have a Zip Oyster 11-15 photocard which parents/carers should apply for at: <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel/11-15-zip-oyster-photocard>

With the Zip Card, travel on buses is free with up to 50% discount on tubes and trains (you can top-up online or at machines in stations). The card costs £16.50 and replacements if lost are £11.

At the end of the session almost every hand went up when Emily asked "Who has learnt something new today?" and all hands were up to answer "Who will be putting what they've learnt into practice?" All-in-all a very informative session - ask your Year 6 child about the videos they saw and what 'new' learning happened for them! Thank you to the Year 6 team for organising.



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	Amelia	For showing a growing confidence when discussing RE topics.
RB	Oleksandr	For good understanding of who SS Peter and Paul are.
RL	Grace	For listening attentively to stories from the Bible.
1EB	Arpi	For her contributions in class discussions.
1AP	Victor	For his beautiful singing during Hymn Practice every week. Wow!
2AF	Emily	For her wonderful work and understanding on what dignity means during our CST lesson.
2SR	Ruby	For her thoughtful response during our prayer session.
2AS	Adam	For showing respect to other children during our discussion about differences in our world.
3DB	Hania	For writing excellent facts about Islam.
3GS	Harrison	For always following the commandment of Loving Thy Neighbour, yet applied to his classmates. Well done!
3AR	Abbas	For his contributions when learning about Islam and how prayer is important to Muslims.
4JB	Elly	For understanding the message St Paul gave about love in 1 Corinthians 13: 1-8, 13
4AS	Arnav	For consistently demonstrating the key values of our faith through his behaviour and attitude to learning.
4S	Taro	For always showing respect during times of prayer and reflection.
5AL	Diliana	For always showing kindness towards everyone she meets.
5MM	Jacob	For fantastic interpretation of scripture during our RE lesson.

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	Harlyn	For working cooperatively with others.
RB	Gregory	For a great recount of our trip to Odds Farm.
RL	Achim	For excellent application of his phonics knowledge when writing independent sentences. Well done!
1EB	Hannah	For always setting a first-class example to all of the other children.
1AP	All of 1AP	For their wonderful participation in our celebration assembly.
2AF	Thomas	For working really well hard on his handwriting, keep it up!
2SR	Szymon	For making a great improvement in Reading.
2AS	Arabella	For making fantastic progress with her spelling.
3DB	Fiachra	For his amazing PowerPoint skills! Fiachra – Your Rio PowerPoint was fantastic!
3GS	Emmanuel	For trying so hard in his Arithmetic assessment. Well done!
3AR	Hayden	For making huge improvements with his handwriting and presentation of his work!
4JB	Annabella	For recognising acute and obtuse angles.
4AS	Lorena	For showing confidence answering questions in Maths lessons!
4S	Alisa	For always displaying a lovely attitude towards her learning!
5AL	All of 5AL	For the amazing end of year celebration assembly.
5MM	Clara	For showing great resilience and participating more in class discussions.
5CR	Shane	For showing brilliant enthusiasm when creating and delivering our lines for the Assembly next week.
6LI	Jane	For consistently good effort in all you do!
6MS	Ava	For excellent effort rehearsing for our production!
6WL	Evelyn	For always trying her best and being really kind to a classmate in

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	Jayden Nur.	For opening up to new friendships.
Middle	Ted 2AS	For being a supportive classmate.
Upper	Myles 4AS	For living out Jesus' example of putting others before himself and sharing his fan and spray with the whole class, thank

West London Speech and Language Therapy

There is a parent workshop to help support your child's communication, language and sensory needs. See the flyer at the back.

Hanwell Bunnies

See flyer at the back.

BEST Club

Please see the flyer at the back.



St Joseph's Toddler Group

I have attached the flyer for the toddler group to the back so that you can see the upcoming dates for this term.



PARENT WORKSHOP

Supporting your child's communication,
sensory and regulation needs

23RD JUNE 2026 9.45AM-11.15AM

CAVENDISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

FREE

Learn strategies to support your child's early communication skills.
Connect with families of children with communication differences.
Share your experience. Ask questions.
Hosted by West London SLT Speech and Language and Occupational
Therapists



Book now →



Join Us for Coffee in the Park!

*Come and meet other parent carers of children
and young people with additional needs from
Ealing and Hounslow.*

This will be our last joint coffee morning until September!

Tuesday 30th June

10.30am - 12.30pm

**Manor House Cafe, Boston Manor Park TW8 9JU
(near the lake, a 3 minute walk from the park Hub)**



Make Your Voice Heard!



ADHD EALING



COFFEE & CHAT!

*Do you have a child or young person with ADHD?
Come and join us, and meet other parent carers...*

Friday 10th July 2026

10.00 - 11.30am



**The Fields Cafe,
Questors Theatre, 12 Mattock Lane,
Ealing, W5 5BQ**



Please bring your own coffee, the cafe is closed currently!



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THERE FOR PARENTS WHEN THEY NEED US MOST

BECAUSE CHILDHOOD CAN'T WAIT

Home-Start Ealing supports families with young children through challenging times. Whether you're feeling isolated, overwhelmed or just need someone alongside you, we're here.



Because childhood can't wait

HOW WE HELP



Home-visiting volunteers

Friendly, one-to-one support in your home



Practical and emotional support

Confidential, non-judgemental and tailored to you



Family groups and activities

Opportunities to connect, share and build confidence



Support tailored to each family

We build on your strengths and what matters to you

LOOKING FOR SUPPORT?



We support parents and carers with at least one child under five.



Families can contact us directly or professionals can refer.

You don't have to face it alone.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?



A few hours a week can make a real difference to a local family.



We're always looking for volunteers with parenting experience who can offer encouragement, understanding and support.

Training and ongoing support provided.

GET IN TOUCH



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Together, we can give children the best possible start in life.



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Introducing Our BEST Club @St Josephs

Summer 2026 YR – Y6

Tuesday Mornings or Wednesday afternoons

Emotional Control Through Self Regulation



**Tuesday 21st April – Tuesday 7th July
7.45am – 8.45am**

**Wednesday 22nd April – Wednesday 8th July
3.15pm – 4.15pm**

BEST clubs are designed to help grow your child's social and emotional wellbeing. By focusing on the development of a child's brain we teach how each unique part creates our thoughts, feelings and actions. Through interactive activities in sport, art and drama we build the life skills needed to develop into strong and confident young adults.

To book a place please click on the following links:

<https://best4learning.co.uk/stjosephstuesam-2/>

<https://best4learning.co.uk/stjosephswedpm-2/>

For more information best4learningvicky@gmail.com

or call 07718 588454

ST JOSEPH'S TODDLER GROUP

SUMMER TERM DATES

14TH APRIL

28TH APRIL

12TH MAY

2ND JUNE

16TH JUNE

30TH JUNE

14TH JULY

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