



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26th November 2021



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Advent

The season of Advent begins on Sunday. In school, we will see the cloths on our prayer tables change from green to purple and we begin to look forward in anticipation of the celebration of the arrival of Jesus. During this time we prepare ourselves by praying and being repentant.

In this newsletter is a table of school events leading up to Christmas. One of the highlights is our Advent Service led by Year 5 at 7pm on Tuesday 14th December.

We pray that our events will still be open to parents as we move into December. Covid cases amongst children in Ealing is rising and some of the schools surrounding us have become 'amber'. Thankfully, we have only had a few cases.

Can we pray for Ms Williams who has been off school for a while unwell.



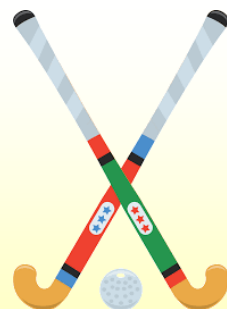
Sunday 28th November 2021

First Sunday of Advent

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36
'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

Hockey

Last Friday, the Year 5 and Year 6 hockey team went to St. Augustine's Priory to compete in the annual hockey competition. Two teams were entered into separate leagues; the children had lots of fun competing against eight other Ealing schools. Both teams had a magnificent day showing great sportsmanship and perseverance, with Team A winning bronze medals. The children then nominated two members of the group to receive a free voucher for Ealing hockey club. Well done to both teams! Thank you to Miss Jaffer, Mr Sampaio and our St. Mary's student Ms McNamara who accompanied the trip.



Father Cristiano – School Form Signing Dates

If you need a Certificate of Catholic Practice signed for either your nursery or reception application, please phone the parish office to make an appointment to see Fr. Cristiano. Remember application need to be submitted by 15th January 2022.



PTA Perivale 5 Mile Run

Thank you to all those families who have already donated on the link below. Please give generously to their Go Fund Me page: <https://gofund.me/84478489> The target is £3,000 and so far just over £2,400 has been donated. If you have not donated, please do so as we are only one third away from the target.



Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home

Britons To Discard 450,000 Buses Worth Of Waste This Christmas, 'Truly Staggering' Figures Reveal (Huffpost)

This is the time of the month when many people begin to write a mountain of Christmas cards. An unbelievable 1.5 billion Christmas cards are thrown away by UK households each year, according to Imperial College researchers.

There will always be a handful of people to whom a handwritten Christmas card will mean a lot but, for everyone else, sending E-cards (online cards) is an increasingly popular alternative. They cut your carbon footprint, save trees and save money. Last year at St. Joseph's we started a new campaign to save paper waste by asking all children to create one big Christmas card for their class instead of writing 30 individual cards. Look out for details of this in next week's newsletter.



Challenge: Write a list of people who you would like to send Christmas E- cards to. If you are in KS2 and with the permission of a parent, type up their email addresses into your parents' contacts so that e-cards can be sent. KS1 & KS2: When you receive cards be sure to recycle them after the Christmas period.

Why not take a photo and send it in with your child to their class teacher to encourage others to play their part too?

Let's make a difference – together!

Reminder - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the country has been given an extra 'bank holiday' in honour of the occasion on Friday 3rd June. As 3rd June 2022 falls during the summer half term, we have been allowed an extra day 'holiday'. The staff has chosen for the Monday 6th June 2022 to be that extra day.

There will be no school on Monday 6th June 2022. Long live the Queen!



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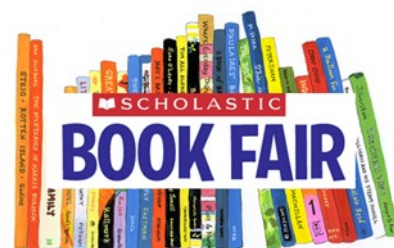
Christmas Arrangements December 2021

Date	Time	Year group/Class	Event	Where
Wed 1 st	9.15am	Rainbow & Raindrops	Christmas liturgy	Nursery
Wed 1 st	12.45pm	Sunshine & Raindrops	Christmas liturgy	Nursery
Fri 3 rd	9.00am	3DS	Class assembly	Junior Hall
Tue 7 th	9.15am	Ladybirds	Nativity	Infant Hall
Tue 7 th	2.00pm	1SS	The Nativity	Junior Hall
Wed 8 th	9.15am	Butterflies	Nativity	Infant Hall
Wed 8 th	2.00pm	1AS	The Nativity	Junior Hall
Thurs 9 th	9.15am	Honeybees	Nativity	Infant Hall
Thurs 9 th	2.00pm	1K	The Nativity	Junior Hall
Fri 10 th	All day	All classes	PTA Christmas Fair day.	Dance Studio
Fri 10 th	9.00am	3SR	Class assembly	Junior Hall
Mon 13 th	All day	All classes	Christmas Jumper Day	
Mon 13 th	Afternoon	All classes	Class Christmas Parties	
Tue 14 th	Lunch	All classes	Christmas Lunch	
Tue 14 th	2.00pm	Year 2	Advent Service	Junior Hall
Tue 14 th	7.00pm	Year 5 leading	Advent Service	Church
Thurs 16 th		Nursery	Last day	
Fri 17 th	1.30pm	Rec to Year Six	Last day	

Scholastic November Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who bought books at the Scholastics book fair. In total, we managed to sell £1,311 worth of books and accessories over the five days.

A special thank you also goes to the five teams of sellers who worked really 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 'Wednesday 17th' team comprising Mary, Lena, Greta, Pippa, Maria, Sienna, Eldana, Angelina and Natan won by selling £395 worth of books and accessories. Well done! They each chose a prize from the Book Fair. Thank you to all the children who gave up their time to sell books and to Mrs. Kenny for organising the Book Fair.



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	Shane	For great progress in reading and writing.
1AS	Sebastian	For superb reading in class.
1SS	Dafidi	For great knowledge about the Advent Wreath.
2JB	Georgia	For her fantastic effort and enthusiasm to improve her reading.
2EB	Zofia	For some impressive work with symmetry.
2SL	Chloe	For being more focused during class discussions.
3AR	Piero	For writing a well organised fact file on Roald Dahl.
3DS	Abba	For working hard at editing his fact file on Roald Dahl.
3SR	Bethne	For her perfectly written fact file on Roald Dahl.
4AS	Lily	For showing excellent understanding in our Maths lesson on quadrilaterals.
4MS	Zak	For creating a fantastic animal picture using triangles. Well done!
4W	Allistar	For a thoughtful response to our learning in RE about Sean Dev-ereux.
5B	Alphonsa	For writing a fantastic script for a radio broadcast that showed belief in how the coming of Jesus brings hope.
5L	Filip	For writing a fantastic poem full of figurative language about the sea.
5W	Finian	For thoughtful responses in RE.
6B	Freya	For a thoughtful and reflective personal mission statement.
6I	Sienna	For writing a thoughtful personal mission statement in RE.
6J	Rafal and Aidan	For excellent debugging skills in Computing, showing perseverance correcting the algorithms.

Celebrations

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	Oliver RB	For always giving 100% effort.
Middle	Cody 2B	For supporting and encouraging another child with their singing during hymn practice.
Upper	Emily 6J	For showing care and compassion to younger children in her role as Playground Leader.

Football

Yesterday, two teams of boys travelled to Alec Reed for a football competition. The boys faced some difficult opponents in their matches and showed great determination throughout the day. Our Yellow team drew their opening game when really they should have walked away with a win. After a motivational speech from Mr Sampaio, the team rallied together and gave an unbelievable performance against Alec Reed who were expected to win the whole tournament. This team were also awarded a 'Spirit of the Games' trophy for showing respect throughout the competition.



Our Red team made a fantastic start to the tournament with a 2-0 win against their opponents. The winning streak continued in their second match. In this game the team did not hold back and put away 6 goals the space of 10 minutes. Special recognition has to go to Filip who scored 5 goals in this thrilling display. The third and final match was an end to end game for the Red team but they ended the game with a 2-0 win. Both teams did not lose a match and were clear winners in both of the competitions. All the boys walked away with some well-earned Gold Medals around their necks.



Congratulations to:

Yellow team - Finbar, Charlie, Pedro, Aiden, Senula, Tom, Jonathon, William, Joe

Red team - Robin, Ashton, Jonjo, Finian, Liam, Ted, Oliver, Filip, Jaiden

Thank you to Mr Sheehan, Mr Sampaio and Mrs. Korzen who made it happen.

The School Podcast

The team have been working very hard this half term to put together an entertaining podcast for this term. It consists of school updates, latest news updates and playground interviews. A big well done to: Florence 6I, Jacob 6B, Angelina 6J, Charlie 5W, Lily 5B, Talia 4AS and Alice 4W.



Please click on the following link to listen:

<https://www.stjosephshanwell.org.uk/children/class-pages/school-podcast>

Beautiful Nature

The picture of the leaf below was found on our playground last week. It looked much more vibrant in real life, like we all do! I was struck by the lovely patterns and deep red and yellow colours.



Contacting the school office

If you have a general office related enquiry please use ask@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk. Please do not use the Admin domain for correspondence as it will not be picked up.



Deanery Quiz Team

This morning Freya, Grace, Eddie and Ezekiel took part in the Deanery general knowledge quiz organised by St. Vincent's. The online event was lots of fun and our team answered 82% of their questions correctly. The team came fourth, just outside of the medals, but can be very proud of their achievement. Well done to all and to Ms. Males for supervising them.



Tag Rugby

Yasmin, Mateusz, Alex, Gabi, Martyna, Maya, Alan and Jakub from Year 3 headed down to Cardinal Wiseman this morning to participate in a Tag Rugby Megafest. There were 9 stations set up for fun tag rugby themed activities. The children displayed great enjoyment and teamwork. The cold weather didn't deter their enjoyment, enthusiasm and smiles. The core principle was self belief, which all of the children showed. Well done to Mateusz for winning the Spirit of the Games award.

Thank you to Miss Redhead and Mr Sampaio.



PTA News



Thank you for efforts and your generous gifts!

We are still collecting gifts and we ask that you only give what you can afford. Gifts should be new and we ask no alcohol or sharp objects be donated. Each gift will add to the shopping experience during the Christmas Faye on 10th December.

Don't forget your carrier bags with £3.00, wrapping paper, gift tags and completed form need to be handed to your class representative or class teacher prior to the Christmas Faye. Spare forms can be picked up from the school office.

Our Perivale 5 runners have been hitting the local streets in preparation for the run on 5th December. If you haven't donated yet please do via the Go Fund Me page:
<https://gofund.me/84478489>. All money raised will benefit and enrich the education of our children.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a great week.
Kindest Regards
The PTA

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SPOTLIGHT UK Spotlight UK registered charity 1129258

Spotlight UK provide 1-2-1 youth mentoring supporting children who have mental health issues, children who have experienced domestic abuse, young carers, children in care, and children who have been affected by loss and separation.

We also provide low cost activities including dance, sports, and trampolining, clothes bank, toys bank, food bank and family support offering emotional and practical support and advice.

Along with the above we also arrange trips out and treats for children and their families. Our view is that we cannot take away the past but we can create new memories.

Contact us admin@spotlightuk.org 01256 242330
www.spotlightuk.org



SPOTLIGHT UK THE MISSION... to make a real difference in people's lives!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED....

Can you help with....

- Organising & helping at fundraising Events
- Youth Mentoring/befriending
- Supervising Youth Activities in evenings including bowling & trampolining
- Promoting Spotlight's activities in the community
- Making new memories & finding special experiences for vulnerable children
- Chaperone at Dance showcases
- Coordinating Youth Activities

Email michaela@spotlightuk.org or call 07804880072 to find out more....



FREE ONLINE PARENTING WORKSHOP

INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET SAFETY

for parents of children aged 13 & under

THIS WORKSHOP WILL COVER:

- POSITIVE & NEGATIVE WAYS CHILDREN USE THE INTERNET TODAY
- WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE PROACTIVE IN KEEPING THEM SAFE ONLINE
- HOW TO CREATE OPEN DIALOGUE ABOUT INTERNET USE
- STRATEGIES & RESOURCE TO ADDRESS INTERNET SAFETY ISSUES AT HOME

delivered by **Hannah Brada**
 senior social worker
 SAFE Plus

TUESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2021 10AM-12PM
 via MS Teams

To register interest, please email parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk



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FREE ONLINE PARENTING WORKSHOP

DOMESTIC ABUSE AND THE IMPACT ON CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

THURSDAY, 13TH JANUARY
 10AM-12PM
 VIA MS TEAMS

Delivered by **Patricia Chapman**
 Family Safety Worker - Domestic Abuse
 SAFE Plus Team

- Increased knowledge on how to recognise domestic abuse
- Develop an understanding of how to recognise the impact/effects of domestic abuse on children & young people
- Learn how domestic abuse can impact on parenting
- Gain knowledge and awareness of local support services
- Space to have your questions answered at the end of the workshop

to register for this workshop, please email parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk



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