



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Half term holiday

This year, it will be an extraordinary half term holiday because of the Platinum Jubilee. I do hope that you will be able to celebrate the event over the extended bank holiday weekend. I wish you a splendid break and look forward to welcoming the children **back to school on Tuesday 7th June.**



Prayers for First Holy Communicants

We continue to pray for the children in our Parish and the surrounding Parishes as the First Holy Communion season carries on. Our Presentation Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 14th June at 10am in the Church. The Mass will be for children in Year 3 and others children who have celebrated their First Holy Communion. Year 2 and Year 4 children will also be attending to celebrate the occasion.



Sunday 22nd May 2022

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples, "So it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.

Mixing up classes

Every year, roughly 90 children (52 known from Nursery, 38 unknown) start Reception and the staff make every effort to balance the classes as much as possible in terms of age, gender, language acquisition, ability and educational needs. However, as the children progress through the school the classes become less balanced due to a variety of reasons. For this reason, we re-balance the classes by mixing up the children at the end of Year 1 and at the end of Year 3. Staff in the Lower and Middle Phases will begin to plan the carefully thought out re-structuring of classes over the next month.



Friday 27 th May	Cake Sale Raffle tickets on sale Deadline for entrances to the summer fete brochure design competition
Friday 10 th June	Break the Rule Day – Silly Hair Bring in a bottle for the tombola stall
Friday 17 th June	Break the Rule Day – Silly Socks Bring in a cuddly toy for hook the duck
Saturday 25 th June	Summer Fete

The Friday after half term will be our first Break the Rule Days – ‘Silly Hair’. In exchange for a bottle for the tombola stall we encourage children to wear their craziest hair. Bottles will be collected at the morning drop off at the school gates.

This stall is one of the highest earners of the Summer Fete, so please donate a bottle.

SUMMER FETE 25TH JUNE

Stalls

As well as some fantastic food stalls we have bouncy castles, hook a duck, ice a biscuit, penalty shoot out, photo booth, beauty, tombola, lucky letter and more.

To ensure that we all have time to spend with families, we are appealing to everyone to volunteer to work on stall for at least an hour. After half term we will be giving the class reps a list of the stalls and a rota, it would be fantastic if you could volunteer, please don't wait to be asked. All this hard work is for the benefit of our children and it is a fantastic day if everyone can give a bit of their time.

We also need help with any of the following?

We also need someone that can help with designing the brochure layout and an electrician to help set up in the morning.

We are still asking for raffle prizes. If you have contacts or work for a company who would be willing to donate a prize please let the PTA know. Alternatively if you provide us with the contact details, we will be more than happy to get in contact with them.

Any help, no matter how small is gratefully appreciated.

Raffle Prizes

The raffle tickets have been sent home with each child. Each ticket is £1 and the book is £5. Tickets can be sold to family, friends and colleagues — return sold tickets and money to the office as soon as possible. If you would like further raffle tickets they can be picked up from the office. If you do not wish to buy or sell the raffle tickets please give them back to the office.

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We have been generously donated some fantastic raffle ticket prizes. The prizes are:

1st prize is an iPad and keypad donated by Doyle Sales and Lettings

2nd prize is a Nintendo Switch donated by Delmond Construction

3rd prize is £150 Love To Shop vouchers

4th prize is 2 tickets to Wicked Theatre Show

5th Prize is £100 cash donated by Juniper Uniform

6th prize is a £50 Boden voucher

Please return ticket stubs and money to the office before the 17th June.

Thank you

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‘Laudato Si’ project – Caring for our common home



Did you know that the month of May is ‘Local and Community History’ month across the UK? The mission of the Historical Association, which is a charity registered by the Royal Charter, is to inspire, enable and encourage people across all walks of life to get involved with the history of their communities and local areas. We are very lucky here in Hanwell to be part of a vibrant and caring community which lives in an area steeped in history. Next week we all have the opportunity to be part of a huge historical event – the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. Many streets, communities and families will be coming together to celebrate, and we would like examples of the way in which you have celebrated for our class commemorative scrapbooks.

Challenge: Take a photo, draw a picture, write a recount of the ways in which you have celebrated the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee and bring in your contribution for your class scrapbook to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee on Monday 13th June.

Let’s make a difference – together!

Year 1 Trip to Bekonscot

Our Year One children had an amazing time at Bekonscot Model village. They loved looking at the miniature towns and pretending that they were giants. We are very proud of their behaviour around the village. Thank you to the volunteers who helped on the trip.



Bees

On Monday, we were fortunate enough to have three employees from Guerlain cosmetics, which is partnered with bee conservation organisations, to deliver workshops for Years 3 and 4. The Year 3 workshop included pollination, which links with their 'Plants' topic in science, and the Year 4 workshop was about biodiversity which links with their 'Living Things and their Habitats' science topic. The workshops were very informative and the children enjoyed learning about the different types of bees and why bees are so important to our environment. The quality of the resources was excellent and the presenters were full of energy and engaged well with the children.

Lily - "I really like bees. The best bit was about pollination. I really want to be a beekeeper!"

Sara - "The most interesting bit was learning about the hive. The adults were really smart"

Jacob - "I loved everything about it, especially the honey in the hive. The adults were really nice. I would definitely recommend it"

Thank you to Mr Buckfield for organising the workshops.

Young Ambassadors

The Willow Tree School Sport Partnership's Young Ambassador Programme is a national leadership programme which helps develop skills that will support children to lead and motivate others in their school to be physically active. This year, Joe and Victoria from Year 6 were chosen for the programme due to their sporting talent, and more importantly, due to their exceptional commitment and ability as young leaders or volunteers. Over the course of the year, they have attended two conference evenings and completed 4 tasks in their free time: volunteering at a sports event, a digital report, a poster and a physical challenge. Congratulations to Joe and Victoria who received a Gold Award for all their hard work over the past year.



Dr Moat visits Year 6

On Wednesday, Dr Moat, a scientist from Kew Gardens, visited Year 6 to assist with their topic on 'Evolution and Inheritance'. He explained to the children the importance of plants in our world and how some plants (specifically Gymnosperms) have evolved over time. It was a very interesting talk with lots of practical elements which engaged the children.



TED Talks

To promote oracy within our Deanery of schools, we have held TED talks where the children talk for two minutes on a topic of interest to them. In school, we held Year 3/4 heats and Year 5/6 heats. Our two respective winners, Alice and Danayt, went to St. Raphael's to represent St. Joseph's. Alice spoke about "What adults Can Learn From Children" and Danayt enlightened us about "The Great Wall of China". Both children did really well against very tough competition and Alice made it through to the finals next month. Well done to all the children who took part to make the competition so tough. Thank you to Ms. Bahadrian who accompanied the children on the trip.



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	Diliana	For being an excellent role model of kindness, hard work and good learning behaviour.
1AS	Lily	For being a great support and comforting her friend in need.
1SS	Tymon	For making a fantastic leaflet for our Jubilee display.
2JB	Liberty	For creating an excellent lever mechanism for her moving picture!
2EB	Grania	For her super painting inspired by Monet.
2SL	Carina	For approaching all aspects of school life with enthusiasm and creativity! Thank you!
3AR	Ayla	For a big improvement in the quality of her written work. Well done!
3DS	Georgina	For working hard at mastering equivalent fractions.
3SR	Resa	For fantastic effort and leadership in Year 3 dance routine!
4AS	Nelly	For making an excellent postcard during English.
4MS	Zachary	For taking his first steps in learning how to play chess.
4W	Allianah	For approaching everything with a 'can do' attitude, particularly swimming recently.
5B	Filip	For the fantastic model he made of the first moon landing
5L	Edward	For his positive outlook and just being incredibly hard working.
5W	Emma	For always trying to improve herself – a true superstar.
6B	Dawid	For his great acting skills in our first rehearsal of our production.
6I	Liam	For a great start to learning lines for Y6 production
6J	Greta and Eddie	For an amusing explanation text called the 'teacher pleaser'.

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	Kaia RH	For being so thoughtful and caring to everyone.
Middle	Elsie 3AR	For her wonderful approach to school life and positive attitude to learning whilst at St. Joseph's.
Upper	Freya 6B	For being a fantastic friend and role model throughout her time at St Joseph's.

Our Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Today we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The children have come in to school wearing clothing from their particular year group decade. Each year group was tasked with researching a decade of the Queen's reign and have produced displays of notable events. All the classes have visited each other's displays; fantastic effort put into all creations. Our special guest, the Queen, also visited the children and we sang the National Anthem upon her arrival accompanied by the Ensemble. The Queen knighted all the Headteacher Award winners and the children picnicked. Each year group performed dances from their decade and everyone had lots of fun. A truly special day!

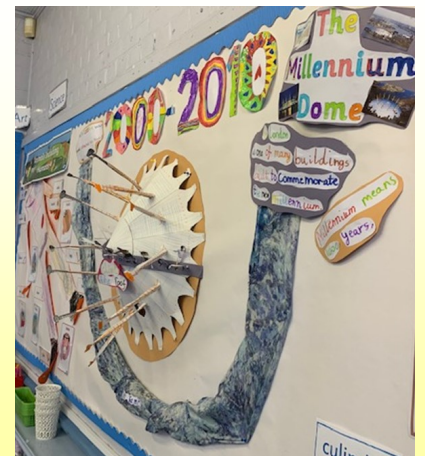
Nursery



Reception 2010-2020



Year 1 2000-2010



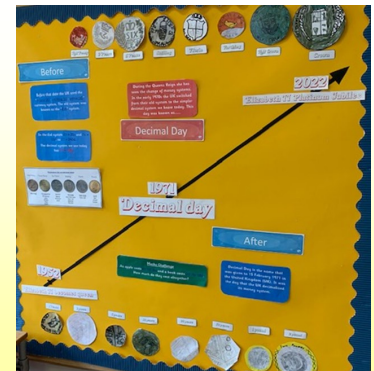
Year 2 1990-2000



Year 3 1980-1990



Year 4 1970-1980



Year 5 1960-1970



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Year 6 1950-1960



Miscellaneous pictures



Father Bernard

Many parents will fondly remember Father Bernard who was our Parish Priest for many years. A picture that was previously donated to the Parish will now hang in the school. At 4pm on Thursday 23rd June, there will be an 'unveiling' in the presence of Father Bernard. If you would like to attend, please email me (head@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk) putting 'Father Bernard' in the subject bar.

Supermarket vouchers for May half term holiday to support families

The household support fund grant has been allocated to councils to enable them to support vulnerable households with essentials over the coming months as the country continues its recovery from the pandemic. Ealing Council are planning to once again use part of this fund to provide families with vouchers for the May 2022 half term school holiday. Details will be sent out by the office.

Careers Fair

A reminder that Mr Buckfield is looking for volunteers for his 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

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>

Sales administrator

- Part time hours from 9am to 2pm
 - Experience essential
 - Salary £23k pro rata
- Work from home or from the office in Barons Court
 - To start immediately

Job description:

- To support the sales team
- Manage the sales admin email inbox
 - Complete AML checks
- Write letters to purchasers and vendors as per the sales teams instructions
 - Update property portals
 - Write up property descriptions
- Create invoices and send out as per sales team instructions
 - Create reports and email to director
 - Order sale boards
 - Plus extra duties related to the job



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The Vaughan Centre for Young Musicians



a chance for your son to benefit?

The Vaughan Centre for Young Musicians, held from 4.30-6.30 pm, on ten Mondays each term offers Primary School age boys (Years 4-6, ages 8-11) the opportunity to extend their music curriculum and receive specialist instrumental and choral tuition

Auditions to join in September 2022 will be held in July 2022

Further details and apply online by clicking [HERE](https://www.cvms.co.uk)
or visit www.cvms.co.uk

Closing Date for Applications Friday 24 June 2022



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