



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 7th January 2022



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Welcome back!

I would like to wish you all a very happy New Year! I hope your holiday and Christmas celebrations were not disrupted too much and that you were able to make the best of your situation. On behalf of all the staff, I would also like to thank you for your warm wishes and most generous gifts.



Ms. Williams' Funeral

In December I informed you of the death of Ms. Williams, one of our longest serving Teaching Assistants. Her family have informed us that her funeral will take place on Friday 14th January. To enable as many staff to go to the funeral, your child may have a different adult teaching them that morning. I am sure that you will understand and please keep her family in your prayers.

*Rest
in
Peace*



Sunday 9th January 2022

Gospel: Mark 6:34-44

Jesus feeds the hungry crowd with a few loaves and fishes

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages, and buy themselves something to eat."

Epiphany Mass

Yesterday, we celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany. Father Cristiano celebrated Mass using technology as we are several staff members down due to COVID and so could not walk to the Church safely. Father Cristiano helped us to understand what the feast day was about – Jesus showing himself to the Magi. Thank you to Father Cristiano for celebrating our Mass and to the readers for reading so well and to Mrs. Ingham for the preparation.

Long Service

Mrs. Twyford started in our school in the last millenium, 1st January 1999. She has been an SMSA and cleaner for a long time and a few days after school broke up for Christmas, Mrs. Twyford finally retired. We thank her for her service. We all wish her well and we hope to see her back occasionally as she has asked to be put on our emergency roster.



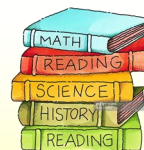
PCR Tests

Hopefully you will have heard in the press that from Monday 11th January 2022, confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be suspended. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.



School Exercise Books

Most of the children brought home their exercise books just in case we were put into 'lockdown'. Thankfully, this did not happen and most of the children have brought their books back. There are a few books missing here and there so please ensure that your child has brought all their books back to school.



School Counsellor

As you know, Taj Chana left in the last week of term. The Catholic Children's Society is again recruiting for a counsellor and expect to hold interviews in a couple of weeks. Hopefully, I will then be able to update you on Taj's replacement. In the meantime, if you have any concerns, please contact Mrs. Sargeant.

Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home



The New Year is here and with it come New Year resolutions. This month, our Laudato Si' message will focus on food and we will be setting a home learning task for all children to help prepare a meat free meal for the family to enjoy in January. Look out for details in your home learning task lists this month.

On an individual level, sometimes it can be difficult to know how to make a change, and what to do to better impact the world. But setting new goals for 2022 could help change your habits and live more sustainably where possible. So here's a list of sustainable New Year resolution ideas to try out in 2022.

Plan for a meat free day each week.

Shop locally.

Shop seasonally.

Shop second hand.

Whenever possible walk, don't drive.

Make do and mend.

Ditch single use plastics. Use refillable water bottles and Bags-for-life.

Introduce eco-friendly products into your life – detergents, washing products.

Challenge: Sit down as a family and discuss which of these resolutions you will commit to in 2022. Mark your 'walk to school' days on the calendar so that you commit to them. Put a reusable bag in your handbag/ the boot of the car so that you are prepared when shopping. Plan for your meat-free menu task now.

Why not take a photo of your family's efforts 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!

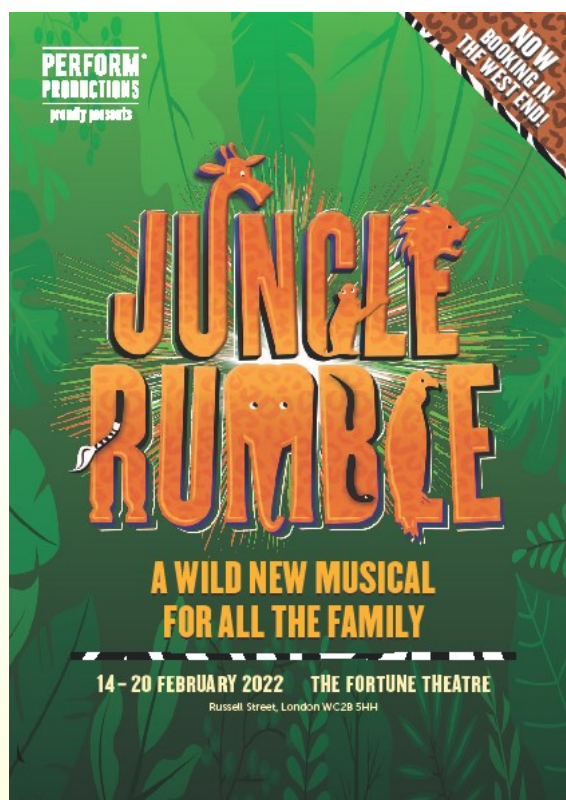
Celebrations

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	Jakub	For amazing Maths work!
1AS	Grace	For working very hard in Maths, learning about money.
1SS	Rich	For working hard on recognising the values of coins.
2JB	Julia	For learning how to read half-past and quarter-past times very quickly!
2EB	Alan	For his enthusiastic approach to all his lessons.
2SL	Natalie	For displaying good rhythm in Dance.
3AR	Maddie	For always approaching any task with great enthusiasm.
3DS	Martyna	For working hard at solving place value problems.
3SR	Gabriela	For displaying great interest and enthusiasm in Maths.
4AS	Wiktor	For showing great understanding during our lessons on dragons.
4MS	Rozalia	For her excellent footwork and passing skills in Netball.
4W	Alice	For always applying her learning to her writing which is always impressive to read.
5B	Olivia	For her perseverance with negative numbers and for producing some fantastic work!
5L	Jonjo	For fantastic contributions and effort in all lessons.
5W	Natalia	For consistently displaying a mature attitude both inside and outside the classroom.
6B	Natan	For his contributions in our English lessons.
6I	Liam	For making astute observations when looking at Picasso's art.
6J	Bonnie	For fantastic responses when discussing reading texts in Guided Reading and 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	Rosie 1AS	For being a great role model to her classmates.
Middle	Jane 2EB	For her caring approach to all of her classmates.
Upper	Martina 4W	For being a good example in her mature, peace making approach to her peers.



JUNGLE RUMBLE

WILD, UNTAMED AND LIVE IN THE WEST END

In February half-term, a sensational West End cast will bring the jungle to life in Jungle Rumble, an unforgettable family musical and a perfect half-term treat.

Jungle Rumble tells the story of ancient elephant Eeli, shy zebra Zella and cheeky monkey Boo, as they journey deep into the heart of the jungle on a fearless expedition to rescue Snow, the last white lion, from the evil Lord Braggard.

With thrilling choreography, uplifting songs and an inspirational message about working together to protect the Earth, Jungle Rumble is the perfect half-term treat for the whole family as well as being an ideal way to introduce your child to the magic of live theatre.

SHOW DATES AND TIMES

Mon 14th Feb
at 14:00 and 15:45

Tue 15th Feb
at 10:00 and 11:45

Wed 16th Feb
at 11:00, 12:45 and 15:00

Thu 17th Feb
at 10:00 and 11:45

Fri 18th Feb
at 11:00, 12:45 and 15:00

Sat 19th Feb
at 10:00 and 11:30

Sun 20th Feb
at 10:00, 11:45, 14:00 and 15:45

BOOK NOW!
14-20 FEBRUARY 2022
THE FORTUNE THEATRE
 Russell Street, London WC2B 5HH

To book tickets visit atgtickets.com
 Find out more at junglerumble.show
 For Access bookings, please call 0800 912 6971

SUPA STARS BASKETBALL SESSIONS

BASKETBALL SESSIONS FOR YEAR 2-ADULTS

BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME

WHEN: EVERY FRIDAY FROM 7TH JANUARY

WHERE: EALING FIELDS HIGH SCHOOL,
LITTLE EALING LANE W5 4EJ

TIME:

- 5-6PM - YEAR 2-6 - 1 HOUR
- 5-7PM - YEAR 2-6 - 2 HOUR
- 6-7PM - YEAR 7-10 - 1 HOUR
- 7-9PM - YEAR 10-ADULT - 2 HOUR

COST: £10/ SINGLE SESSION
£48/ TERM (£8 /SESSION)

WHAT TO WEAR: SPORTS GEAR

WHAT TO BRING: WATER BOTTLE
& BASKETBALL (IF AVAILABLE)

MORE INFO: WWW.STAYSUPA.COM/BOOK-ONLINE
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