



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

### Friday 11th September 2020



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#### New Exit Routine

Thank you! Thank you for taking to the new exit routine so well. I appreciate that there are queues but in time I hope that once the parent body and children get used to it, things will speed up. Please do not arrive any earlier than you need and make sure you maintain social distancing requirements. Morning drop-offs are going well, but can I please remind children and parents who use the recycling gate to line up in an orderly, socially distanced manner along the wall. Please do not stand in the road or push in. **From Monday, afternoon pick-ups will require the wearing of face coverings** (exemptions accepted).



Sunday 13th September 2020

24th Sunday of The Year

Gospel Matthew 18: 21 - 35

*"Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times."*

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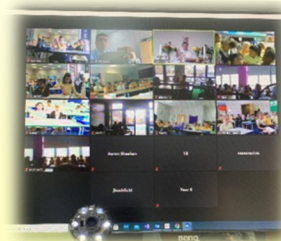


#### Social Distancing

With the number of new coronavirus cases increasing and new laws coming into effect soon, it is critical that we keep up our efforts - inside and outside school - to maintain social distancing and wear face coverings where there are gatherings (morning and afternoon drops). All our good efforts will be in vain if children and parents do not keep to social distancing regulations. I cannot emphasise enough the negative impact a school closure will have on our children again!

#### Welcome back Mass

On Tuesday, we celebrated our welcome back Mass and the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary through 'Zoom'. The children took to it very well. Thank you to Father Cristiano for celebrating our Mass and to the readers for reading so well; Mrs Ingham for the preparation. Below is a picture of the 'new normal' congregation!



#### Meet the Teacher

The teachers have recorded 'Meet the Teacher' presentations and they are now available on the class pages under the 'Children' tab on the website (<https://www.stjosephshanwell.org.uk/class-pages/>). If you have any follow-up questions about the presentations, please do not hesitate to email the year group email addresses e.g. [year1@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:year1@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk) etc.

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### Secondary Transfer Meetings

There will be two opportunities to attend our Secondary School Transfer meeting – 7pm Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September or 7pm Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September in the Junior hall. No more than 45 adults (no children) will be allowed at each meeting to comply with social distancing regulations. **Temperature checks will be taken on entry and face coverings are mandatory – No covering, no entry, no exceptions** (except exemptions). Track and trace details will be held for 21 days after meetings. If you cannot attend, the powerpoint presentation will be posted on the Year 6 pages. The reason for the Friday meeting is that the hall then has more than 48 hours before being used again. Please book a place via the office.



### Fr Cristiano High School Signing Dates

Father Cristiano is available to sign High School forms during the times below. Please book an appointment through the Parish Office by phoning (0208 567 4056) between 10am and 2pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

Date	Time
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	11am until 1pm
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	3pm until 6pm
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm



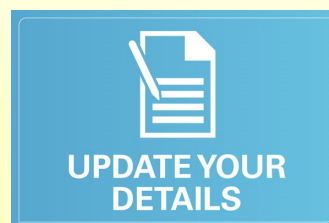
### Reminders

- Every child must have a re-useable water bottle in school every day
- Children having a school lunch in Years 3 to 6 must have money in their Harrison account to pay for the meal before it is consumed, debt may not be built up
- Children should be taught to use a knife and fork
- Packed lunches should have a napkin or even a couple of pieces of kitchen roll, so that food can be laid out
- Please label all uniform



### Contact Details

If you have moved house or changed your phone over the summer, please don't forget to come to the office and complete a change of details form. It is imperative we have contact numbers for emergency purposes.



### Class Photos

If you still have your child's class photo proof from last year and you would like to order your child's photo, please hand in the proof and money to the school office by Monday 14th September. No orders will be taken after this date.

## **‘Laudato Si’ project – Caring for our common home.**



As this academic year commences, it looks a lot different to those of previous years. We are now expected to wear face coverings in shops, at work, and at the school gates for pick up and drop off. Our children now come to school with bottles of hand sanitiser and frequently wash their hands throughout the school day. These are essential measures in order to combat, and overcome, Covid-19, but this is having a knock on effect on the planet.

Conservationists have warned that the coronavirus pandemic could spark a surge in ocean pollution after finding disposable masks floating like jellyfish and waterlogged latex gloves scattered across seabeds.

Divers had found “Covid waste” – gloves, masks and bottles of hand sanitiser beneath the waves of the Mediterranean, mixed in with the usual litter of disposable cups and aluminium cans.

Conservationists worry that the discovery hinted at a new kind of pollution, one set to become ever-present after millions around the world turned to single-use plastics to combat the coronavirus.

**Challenge: Invest in material, reusable face masks for each family member. Be sure to wash these frequently (daily if possible). Always make sure that you recycle your hand sanitiser plastic bottles.**

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!**

### **Hair**

Lockdown allowed many children to express their ‘creative inner selves’. Some children did this through colouring or cutting/shaving their hair in an imaginative way. School is back in session, so rules about natural and modest hair applies – please let the hair/colour grow out.

### **Gifts**

The birthday season never stops, but can I ask children not to bring in gifts to hand out to their class mates on their birthdays.



### **Idling engines**

I have received complaints from neighbours about parents sitting in their cars and leaving the engines running. It is actually an offence against the Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2002. Why expose your children to harmful gases - carbon dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons which are linked to asthma and other lung diseases?



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## High Schools

Please see the list of open evening events. Many will no doubt be 'virtual' meetings, but it is still important to have a 'look' at the schools. Please check schools' websites for latest information.

## High School open day programme

September/October 2020

### Open Evenings

Date	High school	Time
Tuesday 15 Sept	Ark Soane Academy	5:30pm to 6:30pm
Wednesday 16 Sept	Elthorne Park High School	5:15pm to 8:30pm
Wednesday 16 Sept	Northolt High School	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Thursday 17 Sept	The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	5:30pm to 8:30pm
Thursday 17 Sept	The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	6pm to 8:30pm
Thursday 17 Sept	Villiers High School	4:30pm to 7:30pm
Tuesday 22 Sept	Alec Reed Academy	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Wednesday 23 Sept	Brentside High School	5:30pm to 8:30pm
Wednesday 23 Sept	Featherstone High School	5pm to 7:30pm
Thursday 24 Sept	Dormers Wells High School	5pm to 8:30pm
Thursday 24 Sept	Drayton Manor High School	5pm to 8pm
Thursday 24 Sept	Twyford CofE High School	5:30pm to 8:30pm
Wednesday 30 Sept	Ada Lovelace CofE High School	5pm to 8pm
Thursday 1 Oct	Ark Acton Academy	5:30pm to 8pm
Thursday 1 Oct	William Perkin CofE High School	5pm to 8pm
Tuesday 6 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	5:30pm to 6:30pm
Thursday 8 Oct	Ealing Fields High School	5pm to 8pm
Thursday 8 Oct	Greenford High School	5pm to 8pm
Thursday 15 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	5:30pm to 6:30pm
Thursday 22 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	5:30pm to 6:30pm

### Open Mornings

Date	High school	Time
Tuesday 15 Sept	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 10:30am
Tuesday 6 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 10:30am
Saturday 10 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 10:30am
Thursday 15 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 10:30am
Thursday 22 Oct	Ark Soane Academy	9:30am to 10:30am

Kindly note that there is no on-site parking at the schools.

**IMPORTANT** \*Please ensure that you contact the school prior to attendance for information on any special arrangements due to social distancing\*

Apply online at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

## Out of Borough Catholic School Open Evening dates

For all venues, please check websites for most up to date information.

**Cardinal Vaughan** – 'In the interests of safety, the Year 7 Open Evening, held remotely, will be accessible our website from 4.30 pm on Tuesday 15 September 2020.'

**Douay Martyr's** – 'As you would anticipate we are unable to hold our Open Evening and Mornings as usual this year. We are currently developing a Virtual 'Open Evening' which will be posted here in the Admissions Section. Please contact Mrs Hayden, Admissions Officer, at the school for any Admissions queries, she will be glad to help you.'

**Gumley House** - We invite you visit our website [www.gumleyhouse.com](http://www.gumleyhouse.com) where we are hosting an engaging online experience to give you a sense of what makes Gumley so unique. Find out more about our Gumley Girls and their stories, read our Gumley Gazettes and School Prospectus, learn about our exceptional transition programme and join us for our live virtual open events on:

- Thursday 24th September, 9am-12pm (Head's talk at 10.40am)
- Tuesday 6th October, 9am-12pm (Head's talk at 10.40am)
- Tuesday 6th October, 6-8pm (Head's talk at 7.45pm)

Be sure to complete the registration form on our website on the Open Events page to receive further information and details.

**Gunnersbury School** – No information as yet, please check website.

**Sacred Heart** – 'Year 7 open days will be held remotely this year, information on how to access these will be available shortly.'

**St Mark's** – 'Open days for 2020/2021 to be confirmed.' Check website for details.

**The Oratory** – No information as yet, check website.

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