



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2020



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Social distancing

Please continue to do your very best to socially distance and wear a face covering in the mornings and afternoons. Many schools are having outbreaks locally because children and parents are not following rules. Please disperse after drop-off and collection as quickly as you can.

Face coverings

Face coverings need to cover both nose and mouth. Please do not be offended if you are reminded by a member of staff.



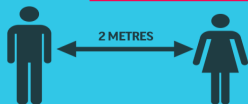
Sunday 27th September 2020

26th Sunday of The Year

Gospel Matthew 21: 28 - 32

"Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

YOU NEED TO STAY 2 METRES APART TO SAVE LIVES NOW



In the event...

In the event that your child wakes up with a fever ($>37.8^{\circ}\text{C}$), or a new, continuous cough or a loss of the sense of smell or taste do not send them to school. Immediately book your child in for a test and the whole household has to isolate for 14 days. If the child tests positive, they have to stay off school for 10 days. If the test is negative, the child can return to school and the household no longer needs to self-isolate.

If your child has a sniffle, runny nose or is sneezing, they are not coronavirus symptoms and your child should come to school.

Assemblies

Class assemblies will be filmed and parents will be able to access them on the children's class pages on the website. Some parents have indicated on their GDPR forms that they do not want their children appearing on our website. If this is the case, then your child will not be filmed, but still take part in the assembly. If you are unsure, please check with the office.

Parent Evenings

Please check the calendar for parent evening dates towards the end of this half-term. These meetings will be conducted over the web. I am trying to set up a system that will work for all. Watch this space.

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'Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home



Every week, 11 million items of clothing end up in landfill. Throwaway fashion is putting increasing pressure on our planet and its people - it's unsustainable. It's estimated that more than two tonnes of clothing are bought each minute in the UK, more than any other country in Europe! Oxfam is fronting the 'Second Hand September' campaign. In one month alone, the carbon footprint of new clothes bought in the UK was greater than flying a plane around the world 900 times. This is the same amount of carbon emissions the nation could save if we all took part in Second Hand September.

Challenge: Can you commit to not buying any new clothes for 30 days? Now that the children are back at school, have a sort through your wardrobes and donate any unwanted clothes to Oxfam. Moving forward, can we 'make do and mend' rather than 'chuck and buy cheap'?

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!

Parking

I received a complaint from a local resident about the way a member of our school community parked across a driveway and then was rude when asked to move. I have the registration number of the car and I am on the lookout! Be warned, parking across driveways is illegal and it also gives the whole school community a bad name. Don't spoil it for the rest of our community.

St. Joseph's After School Clubs

Sadly, due to the pandemic and the need for us to stay in our year group "bubbles" there will be fewer clubs on offer this year. If things change, we will be able to open up more.

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 th October 2020 | 11am until 1pm |
| Tuesday 6 th October 2020 | 3pm until 6pm |
| Monday 12 th October 2020 | 11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm |
| Tuesday 13 th October 2020 | 11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm |

Bike/Scooter Parking

Please ensure you lock up your bikes and scooters. It can be very easy for somebody to walk into the bike/scooter park or lift something over the fence and help themselves to a lovely 'present'.

School Meals Supervisory Assistant

We will soon have a vacant position for an SMSA. Please call into the office for an application form.

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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

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 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 – Our virtual Open Day video will be live week commencing 21st September. Please keep an eye on our website and Twitter feed.

If you would like some additional information regarding Year 7 admissions September 2021 please fill out the form on web page.

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 – We are looking forward to launching our Open Event website at 9am on Wednesday 7th October. This website will enable parents and prospective students to experience St. Mark's virtually, and to learn more about our wonderful school community.

The Oratory – Please note that the open evening will be virtual. Check website.



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