

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

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Dear parents and carers

This week has been a particularly busy week for our Year 6 pupils who have been working so diligently throughout the week completing their End of Key Stage 2 tests. They truly deserve a big 'well done' for the remarkable effort they have all made. Other children in other year groups are also getting ready for other assessment tests including the Key Stage 1 tests, Phonics check and the Multiplication tests for our Year 4 children.

This week has also been a special week for Class 2E who apart from leading today's assembly, they went on the trip to the Surrey Quays farm on Tuesday.

Next week is Mental Health Awareness week. All children will be learning about the importance of staying healthy in mind and body and ways how to deal with difficulties when they arise from time to time.

Thank you and have a good weekend!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The following are some of the important dates to remember



Week beginning
Monday 15th May
Mental Health Awareness Week

Thursday 18th May
Feast of the Ascension of Jesus
into Heaven

Friday 19th May
9.05 am
Class Assembly 4J
Parents of children in 4J are
invited to attend - Building 2

Sunday 28th May
Pentecost Sunday

Monday 29th May
Beginning of Half term week

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	89.71%
Year 1	94.59%
Year 2	98.45%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	99.43%
Year 5	96.32%
Year 6	100%

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

Well done to **Years 3 and 6** pupils who registered the highest attendance percentage this week who achieved 100%

WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER



SCHOOL
MEMBER



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY



Mary said:

'Behold I am the handmaid of the Lord, let it be to me according to your word.'

Luke 1: 38

SCHOOL UNIFORM



All children have recently been reminded about coming into school in the correct school uniform. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity, which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. Please make sure children come to school wearing the correct uniform items as outline in our Uniform Policy.



HOMEWORK

Please remember that our teachers continue to set Homework for children on **MS Teams**.

A schedule for the week is posted online by teachers every Monday for children to work through during the week. Our normal homework pattern is as follows:

Mondays - Spelling

Tuesdays - Online Maths

Wednesday - The Wednesday Word

Thursday - Writing task

Friday - Reading task.



Please make sure your child is able to access MS Teams and complete all homework tasks regularly and let us know if you need any support with this. Thank you.

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Every Wednesday we ask our children to have a look and read through THE

WEDNESDAY WORD. This is a Catholic flyer about the Sunday Mass readings and includes a range of activities for children. Use the link below to share this Sunday's gospel as a family.



<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/prayer?pid=MTA101634&v=17.8>

Every week our Mid-day meals supervisors award stars to pupils who show our school values during lunchtime breaks. The following are the names of our Star children for this week.



Nursery:

Victoria and Nah'tian

Reception:

Jaden and Herma

Year 1:

Harli, Enoch and Anderson

Year 2:

Alan, Nanna and Modesire

Year 3:

Saron, Zena and Emmanuel

Year 4:

Sabrina, Edward, Francis and Lorianne

Year 5:

Victoria and Joel

Year 6:

Lucas, Chelsea and Atinuke



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS WEEK

CLASS RECEPTION 2

What a busy week in Reception. In maths this week we have been consolidating our understanding

of **patterns** including what a pattern is, different types of patterns and using clues to help us continue a pattern. We are also consolidating our learning of **3D and 2D** shapes and understanding their different features including the terms **vertices, edges, faces, sides and corners**.



We have been continuing to read our story **Hairy Maclary** from Donaldson's Dairy by Lynley Dodd. This week we have been describing **features of cats** and discovering what an animal shelter is. We were fortunate to have some furry friends join us last week too. The children learnt about how we need to look after our pets, the importance of looking after them and the joy they bring to our lives. We have also been learning about **life cycle of frogs** and the children have had the opportunity to create their own frog life cycle. They have learnt about the different life stages of a frog including starting off as spawn changing to a tadpole, becoming a froglet and finally a frog. The children are also getting excited about our zoo trip coming up at the end of May.



CLASS 2J

We have been very busy in 2J recently. On Tuesday 25th April, we took a trip to Pizza Express to make our own **delicious pizzas**, which we also got to take home to eat! Last Friday, we visited **Surrey Docks**



Farm for our science topic, to learn about the animals and their babies – we also got to pet and feed them! In class, we have been working on writing recounts for both of our trips. In maths, we have been working on **multiplication and division** within the 2, 5, and 10 times tables. In history, we have been learning about The



Great Fire of London and what life was like in the 17th century. Last week, we also celebrated the **coronation of King Charles III** by learning about the promises he had to make at the coronation ceremony. We then wrote our own promises for if we were to become royal monarchs one day.

CLASS 3C

Last week, 3C had their **class assembly** where we taught everyone about King Charles III and Queen Camilla's coronation. We also spoke about the **English Martyrs** - the patron saints of our school. A big thank you parents for attending and supporting your children. In English this week, we have started reading '**Sparky**' by Jenny Offill and Chris Appelhans. In class we did work where we made inferences based on the main character's actions.

In History, we have learnt about the **eruption of Mount Vesuvius** in 79 AD. We watched a virtual version of the eruption and studied photos of things discovered at the site of the ancient city of Pompeii. Then we wrote diary entries in role as someone who was there during the eruption.