

# ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th October 2023

*Dear parents and carers*

This week we continued with our focus on **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** and the **ROSARY** PRAYER with children in all year groups.

On Tuesday a group of children took part in a **bowling contest** for local schools. Not only they did very well but they also placed first overall and won the competition trophy!

On Wednesday we had another interesting **Workshop for Parents** with a focus on **Maths**. We will be having more of these workshops regularly throughout the year. Our next one is on Tuesday 31st October.

Our week came to an end today with yet more special activities. In the morning **Class 2E** led our Friday **class assembly** in which they told the audience of children and parents about what they have been learning about in recent weeks.

Throughout the day we had the **Black History Month Exhibition** which includes displays prepared by each class on famous Black 'Sisters' which was this year's theme. Thanks to all parents who came to visit today. You will still be able to visit our exhibition on Monday or Tuesday after half term.

Thank you and have a good half term break.

*Mr Camilleri - Headteacher*

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

**Monday 23rd October**  
Beginning of Half term week

**Monday 30th October**  
Children return to school  
Autumn Term 2

**Tuesday 31st October**  
Parents' Workshop - 9.00 am  
Focus: Grammar and Writing

**Wednesday 1st November**  
All Saints Day

**Thursday 2nd November**  
All Souls Day

**Friday 10th November - 9.05 am**  
Class Assembly - 4G  
Parents of children in 4G invited to attend in Building 2



### THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

SAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY TO OBTAIN PEACE FOR THE WORLD.

Our Lady in Fatima



WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER





**Tuesday 31st October at 9.00 a.m.**

**Topic: GRAMMAR AND WRITING**

This is a 30 minute session for parents to find out more about ways how they can support children with writing and grammar at home and other places.

**YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP**

We are currently finalising arrangements for the Residential Trip for Year 6 pupils which is planned for the week before the February Half term.



They will be going to **Kingswood Hall** Adventure centre in Ashford, Kent. Please see the letter to parents for more information about dates and cost.

**ENGLISH MARTYRS' PARISH CHURCH**

Our school is part of the ENGLISH MARTYRS' PARISH community. The parish church is right next door to the school. There are Masses regularly every weekend at the following times:

Saturday evenings at 6:00 pm  
Sundays at 9.00 am  
Sundays at 11:30 am  
Sunday evening at 6:00 pm

For more information call the parish office on 020 7703 4967



**CORE VALUE - AUTUMN 1**

Our Autumn Term 1 core value is **FAITH**. This is about believing in God and showing this in what we do in our everyday life.

**Are you a person who shows strong Faith**

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:**

**Omari, Eleanor**

**Reception:**

**Lorenzo, Fatimah, Olufela**

**Year 1:**

**Mbuta, Esosa, Josephine**

**Year 2:**

**Chanelle, Nzola**

**Year 3:**

**Akosua, Janet, Dylan, Jana, Amy**

**Year 4:**

**Saron, Deborah Y, Tatiana, Aki-ra, Jheison**

**Year 5:**

**Michaela, Fatima, Silk, Tysha, Lorianne**

**Year 6:**

**Davina, Anisha, Ciara, Teniola**





# FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

# THIS WEEK

Our BLACK HISTORY MONTH exhibition  
in the Building 1 Undercroft



Worship Leaders leading the Rosary  
Prayer



Children presenting our recent potato  
crop to Mrs Nunn, school cook.



Mr Layzell, school governor with the  
team that won the cricket competition.





# The Alpaca Post

## VCF Education News

**SPOOKY EDITION**

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### News from The Farm

Happy Spooky Season!

We hope you have been enjoying the chilly October. It has been wonderful seeing many new faces this month and we are really looking forward to getting ghoulish at The Farm over half-term.

- Our **Young Farmers** have been super busy this term, developing team work, communication and animal care skills. Soon they will be preparing for their graduation ceremony and we cannot wait to celebrate our young people!
- **Afterschool Club** has got off to a flying start. They have been exploring our garden area to identify what minibeasts we have and working together to create spaces to encourage more and allow them to flourish.



A lovely natural self-portrait created by one of our Young Farmers



Young Farmer's enjoying the last of the October sun

### Upcoming Events

Looking for something fun to do over the half term? Enter a team in our **Scarecrow Competition** to be in with a chance to win an exclusive animal experience! Last few places left, register your team through our **what's on** page on the website!

**Halloween** is just around the corner, and here at The Farm we are hosting an array of different activities including: a terrifying trail, freaky films, and spooky crafts!

We look forward to seeing you on The Farm soon!

Find out more about us on our website [Vauxhallcityfarm.org](https://vauxhallcityfarm.org)  
To Sign-Up to our workshops or learn more about our programmes  
email us at [Education@vauxhallcityfarm.org](mailto:Education@vauxhallcityfarm.org)





*Age*  
*7-11*

Free table tennis coaching sessions from  
Table Tennis England  
This half term  
Tuesday 24th October  
Congreve and Barlow hall from 1 pm -3.30  
Come along learn some new skills.

*To book a place please  
drop us an email at  
Barlow.and Congreve  
.Tra@gmail.com*