

# ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th September 2025

*Dear parents and carers*



This week was the first week of **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**. Children attended special assemblies on Monday and Friday to find out more and discuss the importance of supporting farmers who produce our food and to make sure they receive a fair wage for their hard work.

On Monday we gathered for our **Prayer and Worship** assembly. This is always a very important gathering when everyone comes together to reflect on the Sunday Gospel message, pray and worship.

On Wednesday we had our **FRENCH DAY**. Children came to school in French colours, Red, White and Blue and had special sessions about the French language and traditions. On the same day, a group of **worship leaders** joined me and attended the beginning of year mass at **Southwark Cathedral**. They represented the school in a very mature way and will be sharing their experience with the whole school next week. Today was a very special day. We started the day with our Friday **Class assembly** in Building 1 in which **Class 6T** told us about a number of themes they have been learning about since the beginning of term.



Today we also marked **Teaching Assistants day** which serves as a reminder of the crucial role teaching assistants play in our schools. We recognise the tireless efforts, patience, and expertise that go into helping students to make good or better progress.

Thank you and have a good weekend!

### 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 through your actions?



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

**Monday 29th September**  
Second week of  
**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**

**Monday 29th September**  
Year 2 Classes  
**Visit to the Horniman Museum**

**Monday 29th September**  
**Feast of St Michael, St Gabriel and St Raphael**

**Wednesday 1st October**  
Beginning of the  
**MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

**Friday 3rd October - 8.50 am**  
**Class Assembly - 4J**  
Parents of children in 4J invited to attend in Building 2

**Monday 27th October**  
Beginning of Half term week

**WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER**



## ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

Well done to **Year 5** pupils who registered the highest attendance percentage this week - very close to 100%

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	94.4%
Year 1	97.6%
Year 2	97.1%
Year 3	95.3%
Year 4	93.7%
Year 5	97.8%
Year 6	97.6%

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children in **Year 4 or above** can apply for the **First Holy Communion programme** at English Martyrs Parish. Those who apply will need to attend **Catechism sessions on Saturdays** and also attend **Sunday Mass** regularly in Church with the Parish Community. Registration Forms are available from the church or the school office.



## BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our Breakfast Club and After school club have now started.

**BREAKFAST CLUB:** Every day from 7.40 am to 8.40 am.

**Cost each day - £2 (£10 weekly)**

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB:** Every day from 3.15 pm to 5.30 pm.

**Cost each day - £8 (£40 weekly)**

Fees must be paid weekly or termly in advance using **ARBOR** ([Link on School Website](#)). If you need Arbor login details, please contact the school office.



## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS

Parents of children attending any of our After School Activity clubs need to make sure that the **£10 contribution** is paid using **ARBOR**. When this is not settled places will be withdrawn and offered to other children on the waiting list.

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:**  
**Lemlem, Aslan**

**Reception:**  
**Marcelina, Khalid, George**

**Year 1:**  
**Christian, Acacia**

**Year 2:**  
**Abdulkaim, Tiffany**

**Year 3:**  
**Adriel, Ethan**

**Year 4:**  
**Lisa, Edwin**

**Year 5:**  
**Kelis, Roman, Canaan**

**Year 6:**  
**Prince, Deborah, Victor**



# FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

## THIS WEEK

### CLASS 2J

In 2J this week we have been looking at **poetry**. We have been reading a book called '**If All the World Were**' by **Joseph Coelho**. From the book we have been thinking about things we can do to feel better.



In maths we have been **subtracting on a number line** and solving worded problems using the **RUCSAC method**. We have had a lot of fun learning about the **materials** our toys are made from during

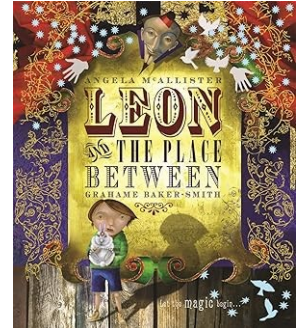
our science and Topic lessons. To help us find out more we did some **research** on the internet during our computing lesson. We also celebrated French day and learned to say some of the **colours in French**. In RE we discussed God's chosen people and listened to a **story about Abraham**.



### CLASS 3C

First of all, a big thank you for attending our **class assembly** last week.

In class, we have been busy doing work based on the story '**Leon and The Place Between**,' by **Angelia McAlister** – a wonderful story about a boy and his siblings who go and watch a circus. As part of our work, we wrote **setting descriptions** and worked hard on **creating dialogue**. Next week, we will be **writing our own stories** inspired by the original version.



In Religious Education, we started the year by reflecting on our school **mission statement** and are now learning about the **importance of families** and how like Jesus, we too are part of a loving family – as well as our own individual family, the family of The Church.

In Geography, our topic has been **Animals Including Humans** and in class we have learning about the importance of our **skeleton** and how it provides to protection to the important organs in our body.

Finally our teacher Mr Field is running the **London Marathon** next year for CAFOD. His Just Giving Page is <https://www.justgiving.com/page/john-field-2> if you would like to like to donate and help him reach his £3000 target.

### RE

In Religious Education, every year group began by reflecting on the **school's mission statement** and learning about their year group's **Catholic Social Teaching Principle**.

Early Years are learning about **Human Dignity** and how everyone is special.

Year 1 are learning about **Participation** and how it is important for everyone to take part.

Year 2 are learning about **Stewardship** and reflecting on how we can care for God's gifts.

Year 3 are learning about the **Common Good** and how we should think of everyone when we makes decisions.

Year 4 are learning about **Solidarity** and how we can show that we care about everyone.

Year 5 are learning about **Preferential Option For The Poor** and how we should put those in most need first.

Finally Year 6 are learning about **Subsidiarity** and how everyone should have a say in the decisions that are made.

Our aim by the end of the year is to become **experts in our principle**. As a school, we aim to show how these principles underpin everything we do.





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**Open Evening**

Wednesday 24th September, 6-8pm

**Open Morning**

Tuesday 30th September, 9.15 -10:30am

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# OPEN SESSIONS 2025/2026

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**Welcoming students of  
All Faiths and None**

## Open Mornings: 10am – 12pm

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## Weekly Personal Tours throughout October

Please email [Office@ssso.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:Office@ssso.southwark.sch.uk)  
to schedule your tour.

## Open Evenings: 5pm – 7pm

- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025  
(Sixth Form)



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# OPEN DAYS & EVENING 2025



## Monday 29th September

9.30am to 11.30am & 4.30pm to 7.30pm

## Tuesday 30th September

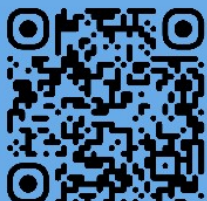
9.30am to 11.30am

## Wednesday 1st October

9.30am to 11.30am

OFSTED INSPECTION  
APRIL 2025 -  
'OUTSTANDING IN ALL  
FIVE CATEGORIES'

*"The school's Salesian values of  
'Respect, Understanding, Affection and  
Humour' are firmly embedded across  
the school"*



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to Register your attendance

### St Michael's Catholic College

Llewellyn Street, Bermondsey, London SE16 4UN

Tel: 020 7237 6432

Website: [www.stmichaelscollege.org.uk](http://www.stmichaelscollege.org.uk)

Please note there is no parking on site or in the near vicinity. Public transport is recommended.

# LOCAL MUSIC LESSONS

Dear parents

PEMBROKE ACADEMY OF MUSIC offers music and instrumental lessons to local children mainly those in Year 3 to Year 9.

Please see the poster below for more details about dates and times as well as fees for lessons.

We would like to support this initiative and children from our school who would like to take part and start learning how to play a musical instrument.

Please see Mr Camilleri if you would like to discuss further.

Thank you.



**Wednesdays** (term time) **6:30pm-8:15pm**  
At Pembroke House 80 Tatum St SE17 1QR

**For Ages 7-14** (Yr3 - end of Yr9)

Weekly high-quality music tuition in a range of musical instruments, music theory and ensemble performance at subsidised rates for all participants.

Contact by email or phone:

lucy.duncan@pembrokehouse.org.uk  
020 7703 3803

Fees per term:

Full Price: 1st child-£55,  
2nd child-£44, 3rd child-£33  
*Concession fees available.*





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# CAMP GREEN HORIZON

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
9.30am - 2pm

Would you like to learn more about the natural world this half term? Would you like to spend time with animals and wildlife?

Join us at The Farm for a jam-packed week of...

**Crafts | Games | Gardening | Conservation**



**FREE\* | Ages 8 -14 years**

Can't make the 2pm pick up? For £10 a day, join games club until 5pm

For more info and to sign up, email:  
[education@vauxhallcityfarm.org](mailto:education@vauxhallcityfarm.org)

\*This opportunity is aimed at students from low-income households or who receive benefit-related free-school meals.

