

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th November 2025

Dear parents and carers

We started this week with our **Worship assemblies** on Monday when we reflected on the Sunday Gospel reading. As we are in the month of November, we also prayed for **All Souls**, particularly those related to school families who have passed away recently

On Tuesday 11th November we gathered for our **Remembrance day** Service at 11.00 am.

This week was **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK**. All children had sessions and other activities on Anti-Bullying, focusing on this year's theme '**Power for Good**'. On Monday we all came to school in **Odd Socks** to show our support for diversity and stress the fact that it is OK to be different!

This week we also had the school photographer in school to take pictures of all children and class photos. All parents should have now received the letter with information about photo sizes and pricing as well as for ordering photos.

Today, **Class 1K** led our Friday assemblies in which they told us about their learning in different areas of the curriculum including their work in Maths, Reading as well as their learning on the four seasons in Science.

Thank you and have a good weekend.

CORE VALUE - AUTUMN 2

Our Autumn Term 2 core value is **RESPECT**. This is about helping, supporting and working with others no matter who they are.

Do you always show respect to everyone through your actions?



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Thursday 20th November
Flu Vaccination Day
Reception to Year 6

Friday 21st November
JUBILEE YEAR
Celebration Assembly

Monday 24th November
Beginning of Parliament Week

Wednesday 26th November
School Council elections

Thursday 27th November
Year 6
Junior Citizenship workshops



WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER



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



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:

Tobi, Obasi

Reception:

Chantelle, Raphael O

Year 1:

Kamiah, Kevin

Year 2:

Kane, Chloe

Year 3:

Flourish, David

Year 4:

Akira, Fifi

Year 5:

Dylan, Sofia

Year 6:

Joshua, Moringa

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

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

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	100%
Year 1	93.1%
Year 2	97.3%
Year 3	98.2%
Year 4	98.9%
Year 5	99.6%
Year 6	98.1%

NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

We are now in the month of November - a time when we remember the Feasts of **All Souls and All Saints**. We think about loved ones who are no longer with us and pray for them. We pray especially for people who have passed away and are related to members of our school community.

Starting Reception School in September 2026

If your child was born between

1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022

Your child is due to start primary school in September 2026

You will need to complete the online local authority form using the following link <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>

before the closing date

Thursday 15th January 2026

Applications made after this date will not be considered for the first round and will be 'a late application'.



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS WEEK

CLASS 1K

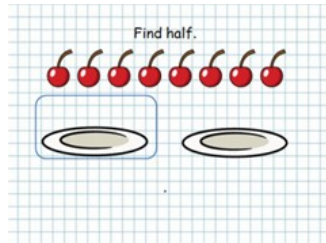
In 1K this week we have been learning about other faiths. We have learnt about **Judaism** and found out that it is a religion just like **Catholicism**. Judaism is a religion

that believes in one God. We have also looked at some of the important signs and symbols used in this religion.



A Yad is used to read the Torah as it is not allowed to be touched.

In Maths we have been learning about **halving** and **doubling** of different amounts. We have been working with our partners to first count the total amount we have in a group. Then share it equally into two groups of the same amounts.



In PSHE we also took part in a **two minutes silence** as a whole school in the playground to remember those who have died in the war.

CLASS 3M

In Science, we have been beginning to learn about **forces and magnets**.

In Maths, we have been learning **money** and how to use different

coins to make different amounts. We learned that 1000p is equal to £10 and how to use **decimal notation** when writing £1.50.



In English, we have been writing character descriptions about the **Tear Thief**. In RE, we have been focusing on our **Mother, Mary**.



This week in PSHE we focused on



anti-bullying week and life-savers. We learned about why it's important to be kind to one another and what bullying is. Enjoy these pictures of our odd socks that we designed!

CLASS 5E

This week in 5E, the children have been reflecting on **Remembrance**. We read the poem, '**In Flanders Fields**' by **John McCrae** and we created a special **poppy wreath** to show our solidarity with those who gave their lives for us.

Meanwhile, for **Anti-Bullying** this week, the children have been finding ways of showing their power for good by being **car-ing, trustworthy and resilient**.



Evelina school nursing

This leaflet gives more information about the Evelina London school nursing service, available for school-aged children across Lambeth or Southwark.

Dear Parent or Carer

We'd like to take this opportunity to promote our school nursing service. As a parent or carer of a child in education, you may have a worry about an aspect of their health or wellbeing and be unsure of how to get the help you need.

School nurses are here to help. We work across Lambeth and Southwark mainstream schools and some special schools. You can contact us for non-urgent or emergency advice, and support on a wide range of issues:

- Support with managing medical needs in school
- Bedwetting
- Sleep
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Healthy weight, nutrition and physical activity
- Immunisation advice
- Healthy lifestyles
- Dental
- Keeping safe
- Puberty and relationships
- Parenting advice
- Emotional-based school avoidance

Where we can talk to you

We can discuss your child's needs:

- in person at school
- in person at a local health centre
- during a home visit
- on the phone
- via our text messaging service

Text-messaging service

You can text a school nurse on 07520 631 130. We're available Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, except bank holidays. **We're available during the school holidays too!**

You should get an immediate reply to confirm we have received your text. We'll try to respond promptly or within 24 hours. If you message outside of working hours, we'll respond the next working day.

We might tell someone if we're concerned about your child's safety, or the safety of someone else, but we would try to speak to you first. Your information is stored on secure electronic health records and can be seen by other healthcare staff, who will follow the same confidentiality rules.

If you need help before you hear back from us, contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre, or dial 111. If it's an emergency, call 999 or go to your nearest emergency department (A&E).

Support and more information

Evelina London school nursing service, [web https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/our-services/community/school-nursing-service/overview.aspx](https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/our-services/community/school-nursing-service/overview.aspx)

NHS information about immunisation, [web https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/](https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/)

Eric, bedwetting, [web https://eric.org.uk/](https://eric.org.uk/)

Parenting support, Lambeth, [web https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/children-young-people-families/parenting-support-service/parenting-support-service-programmes](https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/children-young-people-families/parenting-support-service/parenting-support-service-programmes)

Parenting Support Southwark, [web https://www.southwark.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/parenting/help-parenting](https://www.southwark.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/parenting/help-parenting)

Sleep – a guide for parents of autistic children, [web https://www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/topics/physical-health/sleep/parents](https://www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/topics/physical-health/sleep/parents)

Healthier families, [web https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/](https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/)

Southwark local offer, [web https://localoffer.southwark.gov.uk/](https://localoffer.southwark.gov.uk/)

Lambeth local offer, [web https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/lambeths-send-local-offer](https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/lambeths-send-local-offer)

Contact us

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, you can contact us Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, except bank holidays:

[phone 0203 049 4777](tel:02030494777)

[email gstt.schoolnurseadmin@nhs.net](mailto:gstt.schoolnurseadmin@nhs.net)

For more information on conditions, procedures, treatments and services offered at our hospitals, please visit [web www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/leaflets](http://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/leaflets)

Evelina London medicines helpline

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's medicines, please speak to the staff caring for them or contact our helpline,

[phone 020 7188 3003](tel:02071883003), Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm

MUSIC GROUPS AT



St George's Cathedral runs a thriving **music programme** for **children aged 0-18**. All choirs are **free** to join and open to boys and girls.

Small Sounds (New from November 2025)

Weekly music classes on Wednesday mornings for children aged 0-5 and their grown-ups.

Children's Choir

Informal singing group for children aged 5-7 on Wednesday afternoons.

Junior Choir

Church choir for young singers aged 7-12 on Thursday afternoons.

Cathedral Choir

Auditioned, selective choir for talented singers aged 9-13 on Friday afternoons and Sunday mornings.

Cathedral Consort

Liturgical choir for older children aged 13-18 on Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings.

For more information and to register please visit <https://stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/music/> or contact cathedralmusic@rcaos.org.uk



NATIONAL SCHOOLS SINGING PROGRAMME





SmallSounds
by CATHEDRAL MUSIC TRUST



SMALL SOUNDS

Free, drop-in music sessions for
children aged 0 - 5 and their grown-ups

Shake, rattle and roll with your little ones and
discover the joy of music through songs and play

WEDNESDAYS at **10:15** in
term time

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL
Lambeth Rd, SE1 7HY

Scan to join our mailing list:

<https://www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/smallsounds>



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.



Drug and
Alcohol Service
Southwark



Young
People
Southwark

Free Workshops for Parents and Carers

Do you want more guidance on how to talk to your children, teens and young people about vaping, alcohol or drugs? Do you want to be informed on the current themes and trends we come across working with young people in the borough?

Substances are more accessible today than ever before. For parents, carers or anyone responsible for children and young people, it can feel overwhelming and difficult to know how to respond.

We're offering FREE online workshops for parents and carers in Southwark, to give advice and guidance to help you navigate this quickly changing landscape.



We'll cover:

- Current trends amongst young people
- Strategies for talking to young people about substances in an open and supportive way
- Practical advice on how to keep your children safe from the dangers of substance misuse



For further information contact:

- Email: **Southwark.YoungPeople@cgl.org.uk** or scan the QR code for a direct link to the eventbrite page.
- You can call us on: **020 3404 7699**

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WALWORTH LIBRARY HOMEWORK CLUB



WELL, WE CAN HELP!



**Need support
with
homework?**

We are offering pupils the
support needed to complete
homework or revision

**Every
Tuesday
4-5PM**



Children's
Area

TERM TIME ONLY