

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd October 2026

Dear parents and carers

We have now started the month of **October**. In our **Prayer and Liturgy** assemblies we focused on **the Holy Rosary** which we are now praying regularly in the mornings this month.

On Wednesday we had a **French themed day**. Throughout the day, children had French language and related activities and also enjoyed their special lunch which also included French inspired food such as 'Beef Bourguignon' and then eclairs for dessert!

This week all classes have also started their work on **Black History Month**. We are focusing on this year's theme: '**Honouring Communities**'. Each class will be focusing on a person from a black ethnic background who championed causes related to this year's theme. We will be celebrating all our children's work through an **exhibition** you will be able to visit on **Thursday 22nd** and **Friday 23rd October**.

Today **Class 4J** led our Friday **class assembly** in which they shared aspects of their recent learning including Solidarity and the charities supported by the school community, a reenactment of the Roman invasion and they also made musical instruments to demonstrate how sound works.

On a different note, a big '**Thank you**' goes to all parents and staff who supported our **Macmillan Coffee morning** last Friday. The sum raised was **£182.94** which will go to help support more work and research for finding a cure for the terrible cancer disease. Friday of next week is Hello Yellow day and we will be focusing and raising some money for the YoungMinds charity.

Thank you and have a good weekend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Monday 5th October
Beginning of
CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK

Wednesday 7th October
Feast of
Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday 9th October
HELLO YELLOW DAY
Children come to school wearing something Yellow
(donate £1 for charity)

Friday 9th October - 8.50 am
Class Assembly – 6T
Parents of children in 6T invited to attend in Building 1

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.



WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER





THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

**ROSARY EVERY DAY TO OBTAIN PEACE
WORLD.**

Our Lady in Fatima



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.

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

Well done to
Year 2 and Year 4
Pupils who registered
the highest
attendance
percentage
this week - 100%

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	97.8%
Year 1	95.5%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	99.6%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	98.9%
Year 6	98.1%

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



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.



Nursery:
Esther, Maya

Reception:
Naomi, Samaria

Year 1:
Adelle, Shaydasha

Year 2:
Elsae, Mardiyah

Year 3:
Kane, Dream'rae

Year 4:
Yasmin, Ezekiel

Year 5:
Isabella, Kamal

Year 6:
**Roman, Isabella,
Lydia**



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS WEEK

CLASS 4G

In RE, our topic is **Creation and Covenant**. The children are exploring the stories of significant people throughout the history of salvation. Beginning with Abraham, they will learn how lives rooted in faith, love and hope can help us develop a deep and meaningful relationship with God. Through these stories, the children will reflect on how we can live out these values in our own lives.



In Science, the children have been exploring how **sound** works. They had lots of fun making string instruments and telephones, using them to investigate how sound travels through vibrations. It was a hands-on and exciting way for the children to discover how sounds are produced and travel from one place to another!

RECEPTION

This term, we've been learning about the **Creation story** and reflecting on God's love. The children discussed how special the world and everyone in it is, while learning prayers and songs of thanks. They've been practicing this learning in class through simple acts of kindness, caring for our room, helping peers, and even assisting friends with opening snacks.

In Maths, the children have been working on **counting and numeral recognition** using concrete objects. Beyond building number sense, they are developing valuable social skills by working in pairs and taking turns during learning activities.





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