

St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 25th April

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CAFOD – Pyjama Day



A reminder that on **Tuesday 26th April** there is a **Pyjama Day** for the children organised by the School Council and Spiritual Life Committee.

On this day we ask that the children contribute £1 for CAFOD. They can wear items such as pyjamas, nightdresses, dressing gowns and slippers to school.

Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately to manage a day at school, which will include going into the Playground. They might like to wear slippers and bring trainers for the Playground. It might be sensible for girls to wear leggings if they wish to wear a nightdress.

Please support this fund raising event – this is being match-funded by the Government.



Plea for Gardeners

If any parents or grand-parents who enjoy gardening would be willing to help us with the garden area in Key Stage 2 we would love to hear from you! We would like some help planting flowers or vegetables this Spring. Please call into the Office or come and talk to Ms. Jajechnyk if you think this is something you might be able to help with!

Events

Thursday 28th April

Year 1 will be visiting the Unicorn Theatre to see the show 'The Polar Bears Go Up.'

Friday 29th April

Year 2 Class Mass – all parents and carers are welcome.

Monday 2nd May – May Day Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May

Year 2 will be visiting the Veolia Centre as part of their topic on Recycling this term

Thursday 5th May

School is closed for Polling Day

Friday 6th May

Year 5 Class Mass – all parents and carers are welcome.

Parking Cars

Unfortunately we have had a number of complaints recently by local residents. We have always worked hard to establish a good name for our school in the local community and with local residents.

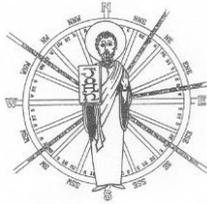
We ask you to please respect local residents parking spaces. Surrey Quays free car-park is a short walk away – so in the nice weather why not park there and walk to school?

Please do not park on the zig zag lines as if there is an emergency this area must be kept free of vehicles.

Zero Tolerance

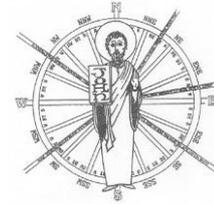
We have high expectations for our pupils and we are very proud of their excellent behaviour. We have a zero tolerance of bad language and our pupils understand this.

We ask you to support us in our high expectations and be mindful of your own adult conversations, whenever you are within the school grounds.



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KS1



Attendance

Reception – 96%
Year 1 – 97%
Year 2 – 97.5%
Year 3 – 97.4%
Year 4 – 97.3%
Year 5 – 90%
Year 6 – 94.7%

Well done Year 2!

Celebrating Success

Green Flag



Our Green Team has been very active this year and we have been awarded with our fourth Green Flag (the highest Eco-Schools Award). The report we received from Keep Britain Tidy who lead on the awards said, "The school has a fantastic Green Team and the work that happens in school is fully involving of the rest of the school and the wider community. The pupils' enthusiasm and excitement for what they have done for the school is contagious. I loved seeing the work that they have done and hearing all about their trips outside school. Well done and keep up the great work."

EYFS

Reception class had a wonderful time at the Unicorn Theatre. They saw an amazing show and enjoyed their first 'proper' trip.



Year 2 have been sent 200 rocket seeds to plant, 100 of these have been to space! We don't know which packet went to space but along with many schools around the country we are taking part in the Rocket Science Experiment to see which seeds grow best. 'I planted the space seeds, I had to push them into the soil with a stick. I pushed 8 seeds into the soil. I think my seeds went into space and will grow really big!' reported Saba.

KS2



On Thursday 21st April Year 5 went to London Central Mosque and Islamic Centre. This iconic building is not only a functional Mosque but also holds exhibitions related to the fundamental beliefs of the Islamic faith. The children learnt a lot about exploring other faiths and the similarities and differences between their own faith and that of others. Not only did they learn about another faith but they also had the opportunity to see this great piece of architecture up close. With its prominent golden dome roof, huge chandelier and vast carpet the children were amazed at its size and design. **Well done to Year 5 as your behaviour was a credit to the school and this was remarked upon by the staff at the Mosque.**