



# St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Next newsletter: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

## Rosary Week



This week beginning is Rosary Week. The Spiritual Life Committee would like to invite parents to join them as they will be praying a Decade of the Rosary at the front of the school at 8.30am. This is an opportunity for families to pray together during May – please try to come along to at least one of these.

## Empty Classroom Day



On Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup> it is National Empty Classroom Day. As always, the pupils of St John's will benefit from this day. There are 3 classes who are enjoying class trips on that day - to a Field Studies Centre as part of Science, a Golfing Range (as part of our school offer to provide a variety of sports) and to Pizza Express as part of the DT curriculum. In addition, the other classes will have times when they are learning outside - children will take part in lessons in the school grounds or the woodlands.

As you know, learning outside the classroom is an area in which we believe is important to offer the pupils a broad range of opportunistic experiences. Whilst we celebrate this day, we are committed to ensuring a breadth of outdoor provision throughout the school year - this involves trips and also learning opportunities in the school grounds, woodlands, Canada Water Library etc. Thank you to the many parents who volunteer their time to help with the class trips.



- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 4 Golf trip
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 5 trip to the Field Studies Centre
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 6 trip to Pizza Express
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Last day of term
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Start of term
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Isle of Wight Parents Meeting (letter to follow) 2.45pm
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 trip to see the West End show 'Mousetrap'.
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Year 2 Class Mass
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 trip to the V & A Museum
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 11am Violin Concert
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 trip to the Isle of Wight

## CYCLE CONFIDENT

### May Half term Cycling Courses

Southwark Council with Cycle Confident are providing **FREE** cycle skills courses for children during May half term.

Places are limited so for more info or to book, visit <http://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/southwark> or call 0203 0316730



### Year 4 Swimming and the National Curriculum

Since 1994, swimming and water safety has been a statutory element of the National Curriculum for Physical Education in England.

This means that every child should leave primary school with the skills to keep themselves safe while enjoying swimming with friends and family.

Each pupil is required to take part. If your child is not well enough to participate in swimming lessons then you will need to collect your child from school on Wednesdays at 1pm.

Please ensure that your child has their swimming kit weekly. Also, help your child to be responsible for remembering this every Wednesday.



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### Year 6 Raffle

Year 6 will be organising a Raffle to help fund raise for their many activities this term. Raffle tickets will be on sale for 20p each from Monday May 20th. KS1 children can buy them at the gate between 8.45 and 8.55am. KS2 pupils can buy them at playtime. There are lots of prizes!



Friend's of St. John's will be selling Ice lollies on sunny days after school this week!



### Water for every pupil

Please ensure that your child has a refillable bottle of water with them every day. It is so important to stay hydrated in warm weather!

### Celebrating Success

#### Year 2 Maths Athletics



Last week the children took their learning outside. Using Maths equipment they gathered data to create bar charts the following day. Maths and keeping fit at the same time - what fun!

### Year 4 Dulwich Picture Gallery



Year 4 went to Dulwich Picture Gallery for a Printing Workshop to link to their Entertainment Topic. They worked on the theme of 'Identity' to produce self-portraits. Everybody enjoyed this trip!

'Although this was our second trip to Dulwich Picture Gallery, this was my favourite trip as I love art!' Mia



### Attendance 06/05/19 - 17/05/19

- Reception – 91.37%
- Year 1 – 98.33%
- Year 2 – 98.05%
- Year 3 – 97.59%
- Year 4 – 98.03%
- Year 5 – 98.35%
- Year 6 – 98.77%



Congratulations to Years 1,2,3,4,5 & 6 for reaching the target of 97%!!!!

#### WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?

Right to education (Article 28)



There are 175 non school days a year. That's plenty of time to go on visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.