English Martyrs’ Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers, Welcome to the start of the new academic year and to your child new class **(4J).** We have been facing one of the most challenging times in history, due to Covid 19. But, a big thank you to all our parents and pupils for all your hard work, patience and support. I have high academic expectations for your child and will do all that I can to help them achieve those expectations. Home - school communication is extremely important in your child’s learning journey so I would like to make an invitation for you to contact me whenever you have any questions or concerns. I can be contacted through the main office at school, where I will arrange the time to meet with you after school.

Class teacher: Mrs. Amachree

TA: Ms Curran is the TA for both 4J and 4G classes.

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4J’s Newsletter

Reading

Please encourage your child to continue to read every day for at least 20 minutes. Please ask them questions about their book and encourage them to record new vocabulary and their meanings in the orange homework book. Every child has a reading sheet in their reading record with questions that parents can ask them about what they have been reading. Also, a reading passport is in your child's homework book so please make sure you talk to them about it. Reading is a skill for life and can give your child a great start in life! So let’s get them reading!!! It's always a great pleasure hearing the children talk about the books they have read!

Attendance

The start time for 4J is 8.30 a.m. Please ensure your child is here promptly to start their learning.

Inform the school from 8.40 if your child is going to be late or absent and give the reason.

Medical appointments should be kept to after school hours as much as possible, if not provide the school with proof of appointment. Your child is expected to return to school after the appointment unless it finishes at the end of the school day.

Poor attendance can trigger safeguarding concerns – the school will send you a letter if there are concerns or if attendance drops.

Behaviour

Children have been spoken to about behaviour expectations.

OUR SCHOOL’S FIVE GOLDEN RULES

1. Follow adult instructions.
2. Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself.
3. Move sensibly and safely around the school
4. Take care of the school and its environment
5. Be kind, considerate and polite.

Homework

Every night the children are expected to read and record in their reading records. Every week they will have spellings and be tested on Friday.

My Maths will be a reflection of work that we’re doing in class and work will also be set on Purple Mash. Times tables should be practiced daily for fluency.

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Other Information

Children need to come to school on Wednesdays with their PE kit on which is a white T-shirt, navy blue/black jogging bottoms, trainers and their school jumper.

If parents need to contact us, please use the school email:

[office@englishmartyrs.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:office@englishmartyrs.southwark.sch.uk)

Curriculum

Due to the lockdown, the curriculum has changed with a focus on the children’s mental health and well-being as well as Reading, Writing, Maths, Grammar and Outdoor learning. We also teach Religious Education as it is one of our core subjects.