

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th June 2021

Dear parents and carers

In this first week of Summer Term 1 all children had another week full of activities. Apart from the learning in the normal curriculum areas, we had a focus on **OTHER FAITHS**. Children in all year groups learned about how Sikh people celebrate their special day, what they believe in and their other practices in places of worship. You can read more about this in some of the short reports on Page 3 of this Newsletter.

Today Class 3C led our virtual class assembly, sharing what they have been learning about recently, including facts about Volcanoes, Tornadoes and Tsunamis, learning the numbers in French and a lot more.

Have a good weekend....and for those who are into football enjoy the start of the Euros '2020' finals, whatever team you support!

SCHOOL OPENING TIMES

Dear Parents,

The following table shows our school starting times for all our different 'Bubbles' **Please be on time but remember that you should not leave your child waiting by themselves before the school gates open.** It is unsafe to leave children unsupervised if you arrive before the starting times shown below.

YEAR GROUP	START TIMES
Year 6	8.30am Main Gate - B1
Year 5	8.30am Main Gate - B2
Year 4	8.40am Main Gate - B2
Year 3	8.50am Main Gate - B2
Year 2	8.45am Main Gate- B1
Year 1	8.45 am Main Gate- B1
Reception	8.30 am Nursery Gate
Nursery	8.30 am Nursery Gate

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Monday 14th June:
Start of REFUGEE WEEK

Sunday 20th June:
Fathers' Day

Thursday 24th June:
SPORTS DAY

Saturday 26th June:
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

Friday 16th July
Year 6s Farewell Mass

Thursday 22nd July:
End of Summer Term
for children.
LAST DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER



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NURSERY

Applications are now being accepted for enrolling children to start at our **Nursery** in September 2021. If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, you can apply for a place. Both half day and full day places are available. Come and visit us or call the school office on 0207 703 4726 to find out more.



CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Every Thursday, class teachers and Teaching assistants award certificates to children in their class who excelled or tried hard during the week.

The following are the names of children who received **Good News Certificates** this week.

Reception:

Gibril, Aaliyah, Leilani and Tsion

Year 1:

Daniella and Kasim

Year 2:

Lucas, Israel and Elijah

Year 3:

Bersabel, Ciara, Justice and Mihret

Year 4:

Ethan, Chelsea, Leticia, Teniayo, Kelly, Atinuke. Shahid Favour and Arisha

Year 5:

Luwana and Mitchelle

Year 6:

Uzo and Mildred

LAPTOPS LENDING SCHEME

We now have some more **laptops** we are able to offer on loan to families for a small nominal fee each term. Children need to have access to and be able to use a device to work on the weekly homework tasks set for them by class teachers and for other online research work. An agreement has to be signed by parents. If you would like to benefit from this scheme please contact the school office for more details.



Families who already have laptops or tablets on loan will be asked to bring them in to be checked and to **renew the loan agreement** during the week beginning **28th June 2021**

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Every Wednesday we ask our children to have a look and read through THE WEDNESDAY WORD. This is a Catholic flyer about the Sunday Mass readings and includes a range of activities for children. Use the link below to share this Sunday's gospel as a family.



<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/prayer?pid=MTA101634&v=17.8>

NEWSLETTER ONLINE

For an extended version of our school newsletter please visit our website or use the link emailed to parents.



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS WEEK

CLASS 1K

In year 1 as part of our Science topic we have been learning about **materials** and their **properties**. We have investigated different types of materials using our senses and thought of different uses for these materials. We have looked around our school and found objects made of plastic, wood, glass, fabric, metal and leather.



In Literacy we have been reading **Astro Girl** by Ken Wilson-Max and have written our own Information booklets.



In RE we have been learning about other religions of the world. We have explored the meaning of the **Sikh symbol** and try to better understand the beliefs about their God.



Our topic this week in Maths is **Geometry** and we have been exploring whole, half and quarter turns to telling the time and the language related to it eg clockwise and anticlockwise.



CLASS 4J

Inspired by the book **Odd and the Frost Giant** by Neil Gaiman that we have been reading, the children have written a variety of genres including poetry.

Our current topic in Geography is **Hola Mexico**. As well as continuing to develop geographical skills, we have read about the



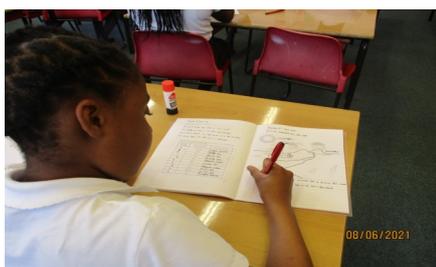
history, culture, landmarks, landscapes, foods and bordering countries of Mexico. Linking to their topic in Geography, in Art, the children are studying the life and work of the Mexican artist, **Frida Kahlo**, and have used her work as a model to create their own.

Once a week, the children have one hour of PE which they thoroughly enjoy. The sessions are designed to help them develop the skills they need such as throwing, catching and ball striking as set out in the national curriculum.



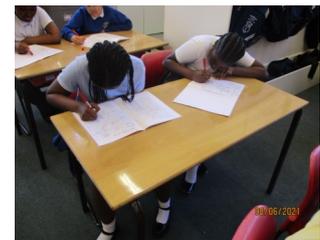
CLASS 5T

5T are looking at William Shakespeare's **Romeo and Juliet** and trying to interpret the dated language. We are enjoying the story so far. In reading we are studying **The Pied Piper of Hamelin**, the original Robert Browning poem. Browning was born in the Walworth Road in 1812, so he was a local man! In RE, we are studying **other faiths** and are starting with understanding **Sikhism**.



In topic work we're looking at rivers and understanding the **water cycle**.

Our art work will be linked to rivers too, being influenced by **Claude Monet's** art based on rivers, including the Thames.



Summer holidays activities for children.

There are a number of activities being planned for the Summer Holidays in different places in Southwark. These involve sports activities, workshops, art and dance and other workshops. Below are some examples of these activities you might be interested in. For more information see:

[Children's school holiday & half term clubs, multisports, activities, courses sports camps Southwark \(020.co.uk\)](https://www.020.co.uk/childrens-school-holiday-half-term-clubs-multisports-activities-courses-sports-camps-southwark)

Nimble Arts

Nimble Arts runs creative holiday clubs every school holiday (excluding Christmas) at Goodrich Primary School in East Dulwich for 4 - 11 year-olds. Every day is a new adventure around a unique theme explored through creative adventures & active play.

Goodrich Primary School, East Dulwich

SE22 0EP

☎ 0333 014 2476

Football Magic Holiday Clubs

Football Magic Holiday Clubs provide football camps in Dulwich South East London, for boys & girls aged 5-14 during half-terms & all school holidays.

Dulwich Sports Club

SE24 9HP

☎ 020 3375 6659

Jags Holiday Sports Camps Dulwich

Children's half term and school holiday courses for members & non members. Swimming from 4+, multi sports camp 4 to 12yrs, JAGS soccer academy 4 to 12yrs, SJB hockey academy 7 to 16yrs.

Dulwich

SE24 9JN

☎ 020 8613 6501

Cuming Museum

Special workshops during school holidays. The three galleries at the Cuming Museum contain a variety of hands on activities for younger visitors, including craft activities, trails, games and costumes to try on.

Old Walworth Town Hall

SE17 1RY

☎ 020 7525 2332

Unicorn Theatre

Half term for young audiences 2-21 - catch A Winter's Tale for 7-10 year olds, The Mysterious Vanishment of Pobby & Dingan 9+, Dr Korczak's Example 11+. Free arts & craft events in foyer, Located on South Bank between Tower Bridge & London Bridge

Tooley Street

SE1 2HZ

☎ 020 7645 0560

Theatre Peckham

South East London performing arts workshops for all ages from 0 - 18 in drama, musical theatre, singing, tap, ballet, street, jazz, African and black dance.

Peckham

SE5 7SD

☎ 020 7708 5401