

ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER

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Dear parents and carers

This was REFUGEE WEEK. Children across the school reflected on reasons why some people are forced to flee their country and what they go through as they try to settle in a new one.

Among the other things that took place this week are the recording of a video on the ENGLISH MARTYRS. We hope to be able to share this with everyone in the coming days. Today, Class 3M led our Friday assembly. They shared wonderful presentations about their current topic - Volcanoes, their writing, Maths skills and more. Well done 3M!

Next week we have other exciting plans. Children will be working on their Summer Term assessments to show how much they have learned this year. We also have our SPORTS DAY planned for Thursday 24th June - a time to have fun and show our sporting and athletic stamina.

Have a good weekend and enjoy the celebrations for Fathers' day.

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

We are now more or less half way through the YEAR OF ST JOSEPH. Throughout this year we are invited by **Pope Francis** to reflect on the life of this special saint and learn from his examples. As we celebrate **Fathers' Day** this Sunday, we remember that St Joseph was a Father himself. We ask him to be with all dads in our community and to help them fulfil their challenging duties within their family.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Sunday 20th June:
Fathers' Day

Monday 21st June:
Beginning of Assessment week

Thursday 24th June:
SPORTS DAY

Saturday 26th June:
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

Tuesday 13th 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



REFUGEE WEEK

Refugee Week is an annual UK-wide festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees.

Refugees or asylum seekers are people who arrive in another country due to serious difficulties, death threats or other dangers in their country of origin. Some of them are children.

Thankfully there are many organisations that work with refugees and asylum seekers who seek to support them. We join them in our thoughts and prayers and hope that they will continue to be safe and feel welcomed as they go through this difficult phase in their lives.



Every week our Mid-day meals supervisors award stars to pupils who show

The following are the names of our Star children for this week.

Nursery:

Edwin and Harli

Reception:

Kellis and Nathaniel

Year 1:

Debra Y and Eldana

Year 2:

Praise Antiire silk Leonardo and Lady

Year 3:

Kyron Sophia Ginika and Victoria

Year 4:

Michael and Kelly

Year 5:

Joseph and Princess

Year 6: Uzo and Celine



HOMWORK

Please remember that our teachers continue to set Homework for children on **MS Teams**.

A schedule for the week is posted online by teachers every Monday for children to work through during the week. Our normal homework pattern is as follows:



Mondays - Spelling

Tuesdays - Online Maths

Wednesday - The Wednesday Word

Thursday - Writing task

Friday - Reading task.

Please make sure your child is able to access MS Teams and complete all homework tasks regularly and let us know if you need any support with this. Thank you.

SPORTS DAY

Our Sports day this year will take place on Thursday 24th June. We will be in Burgess Park but we still have to organise ourselves in the same bubbles as we do in school. On this occasion Parents will not be able to join us for this event .



FATHERS' DAY

This coming Sunday **20th June** we all think of our Fathers. This week children shared ideas in class and through virtual assembly about all the things fathers do for their children and different ways how they can say 'HAPPY FATHERS' DAY.'

Happy Father's Day!



FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

THIS WEEK

CLASS 3C

In English, we had our first whole class debate. Half of the class were 'FOR' and the other half of the



class were 'AGAINST'. The reason for the debate, was to find out whether the main character should or should not follow her brother into the tunnel. Both teams came

up with great ideas and worked well in their groups



During our Art lessons this term we are creating mosaics. A **mosaic** is a pattern or image made of small pieces of coloured stone, glass or ceramic, held in place by plaster/mortar, and covering a surface. After creating our mosaics in our art books, we will then use small squares of coloured paper to bring our creations to life.

CLASS 6M

6M have been investigating how strong the force of gravity between the Earth and various classroom objects are.



We also designed our own parachutes and tested the time they took to reach the ground.



From Ms Elizabeth

In Miss Elizabeth's health mentoring session some of the Year 6s have been focusing on their wellbeing, especially sleep and concentration. We have looked at the benefits and the importance of sleep and how it can affect their concentration during our lessons and our daily life. We also look at the disadvantages of not getting enough sleep.



During after school clubs with 4G we have been focusing on team work and working together. This allows the children to be motivated and encourages them to work harder when they have the support of their classmates. They have also learnt that working as a team allows the group to overcome obstacles and would make things easier than doing things on our own.



HAVE YOU HEARD OF OLLEE?

A digital friend to support your child...

How does it work?

It's designed to help your child reflect on how they feel and to process their experiences with your support and help – and it does this by offering them advice about a range of subjects: **school, family, friends**, their **body**, the **internet** and the **world**.

For each of these subjects, your child can choose an emotion that matches how they feel about it: **happy, angry, sad, confused, frustrated, stressed** or **worried**.

Next, they can choose from a list of topics – for instance, a child who was worried about school might be able to select 'I haven't done my homework' as the cause of their worry. Finally, they'll see a page of advice about the topic, presented in child-friendly bite-sized chunks they can read then or save for later.

Can my child use the app without my help?

Yes, the Ollee app is simple to use and it's safe for your child to explore without your supervision if they are within the age range that it has been designed for.

How can I use Ollee as a parent?

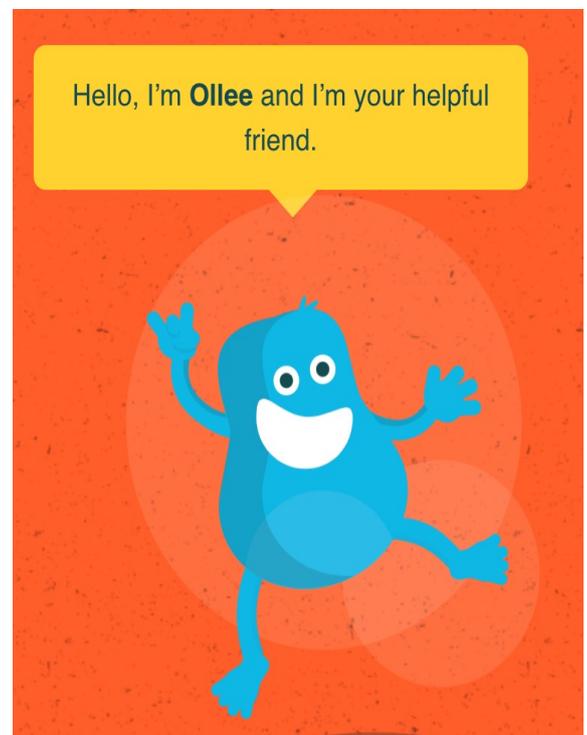
You can also follow the same pathways to get advice on the subjects and emotions you think your child might be struggling with. This advice is presented in the same bite-sized format but is tailored to the parent audience.

Find out more at

https://app.ollee.org.uk/?utm_source=Parents+Newsletter&utm_campaign=d3c2059e62-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_12_9parentnewsletterxmas_COPY_&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_87fb043a40-d3c2059e62-179260505#/welcome

What is Ollee?

Ollee is a digital friend for children aged 8-11, created by Parent Zone and funded by BBC Children in Need's A Million & Me initiative, which aims to make a difference to children's emotional wellbeing.





Rose VOUCHERS for fruit & veg



Would you like to buy more fruit and vegetables?

The **Rose Vouchers for Fruit & Veg Project** helps families on low incomes to buy fresh fruit and vegetables, and supports them to give their children the healthiest possible start.

The scheme will:

Give you vouchers to use at East Street Market and some stalls in Peckham to buy fresh fruit and vegetables.

Get you more involved with your local Children's Centre.

Make it easier for you to meet other local families and parents.

Tell you about what's happening locally to support healthier, happier families.



Who is it for?

The project is for pregnant women and families with young children* who live in either **SE1**, **SE5** or **SE17** and:

Already receive Healthy Start vouchers **or**

Are on a low income **or**

Are refugees and asylum seekers (NRPF)



** You must be at least 10 weeks pregnant, or have a child under 5 who is not yet in Reception at school.*

How does it work?

Once registered with the scheme, you will receive four £1 Rose Vouchers per week for every eligible child until they start in Reception, and 6 vouchers for 0-1 year olds. You also receive 4 Rose Vouchers for each sibling at primary school, as long as there is a child not yet in Reception class who is eligible.

You may use these vouchers at stalls in East Street Market or Peckham who have a 'Rose Vouchers for Fruit & Veg' banner.



To find out whether you can receive vouchers and how to register, please phone 020 7740 8070 or email: childrenscentre@1stplace.uk.com