

# ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 13th May 2022

*Dear parents and carers*

A big well done this week goes to our **Year 6 pupils** who showed stamina and perseverance sitting a total of six assessment tests between Monday and Thursday. They celebrated the end of **SATs week** today enjoying their trip and games in Burgess Park. Many thanks to their teachers and many other members of staff who helped them prepare for this important week of their school life.

We now look forward to other formal tests for other pupils in other year groups such as the Phonics screening for Year 1 children, the Year 2 assessments and the Year 4 multiplication tests.

As this week was **Mental Health awareness week**, we also reflected on MENTAL HEALTH to make sure we do our best to stay healthy in mind and body.

On Wednesday, both **Year 4** classes visited the **Science Museum**. They also attended an engaging workshop to learn about the human digestive system.

Today, **Class 2E** led our Friday class assembly. They presented a lovely assembly and reminded us of the Easter Season, the Month of May and their visit to the National gallery two weeks ago. Many thanks to the parents who attended as this a way how to support children in their learning.

Have a good weekend.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The following are some of the important dates to remember



**Monday 16th May**  
**Visit to the Horniman Museum**  
**5T, 6T and 6M**

**Tuesday 17th May**  
**Photographer in school**  
**Class photos**

**Friday 20th May**  
**Class 6T Assembly - Building 1**  
**Parents of children in 6T invited**

**Friday 27th May**  
**Last Day of Summer 1**  
**Half term week:**  
**30th May to 3rd June**

**Monday 20th May to**  
**Friday 3rd June**  
**Half term week**  
**Children not in school**



**THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH OF MAY**  
**Mary's greatness consists of the fact that**  
**she wants to magnify God not herself.**

Pope Benedict XVI

**WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER**



## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK



The Mental Health Foundation founded Mental Health Awareness Day 21 years ago and it is celebrated annually in May.

This is an opportunity for all of us to think about things we can do to improve our mental health for ourselves and everyone. This year's theme is '**Loneliness**' - something that has had a huge impact on our mental health during the Covid pandemic.

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP SOMEONE FEEL LESS LONELY?**

Every week our Mid-day meals supervisors award stars to pupils who show our school values during lunchtime breaks. The following are the names of our Star children for this week.



## ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	96.98%
Year 1	96.64%
Year 2	99.31%
Year 3	97.23%
Year 4	97.42%
Year 5	99.36%
Year 6	99.49%

Well done to **Year 6** pupils who registered the highest attendance percentage this week - very close to 100%

**Nursery:**  
Raheem and Hannah

**Reception:**  
Amy and Tiago

**Year 1:**  
Kellis, Jameela and Kashaun

**Year 2:**  
Hemen and Debra

**Year 3:**  
Atinuke and Paul

**Year 4:**  
Isabelle and Bersabel

**Year 5:**  
Zion, Kelly and Asa

**Year 6:**  
Faithful, Joel A and Princess



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

All children have recently been reminded about coming into school in the correct school uniform. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity, which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. Please make sure children come to school wearing the correct uniform items as outline in our Uniform Policy.



# FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

# TTHIS WEEK

## CLASS 6T

We have now entered the Summer Term which means it is the last term for Year 6 in primary school. This will be a busy term with end of school tests, sports day, end of year performance and getting ready for transitioning to secondary.



The focus for 6T this week has been the end of key stage 2 SATs tests. Every morning the children have gathered and had breakfast together. This gave them time to chat with their friends and prepare for the assessment on that day. The majority have worked really hard and showed maturity in their approach to the tests. We will end the week with a well de-

served trip to the park to celebrate the end of SATs. All the year 6 team are very proud of them and thank you for your continued supported.



## CLASS 4J

As our topic in Science was **Animals Including Humans**, we went on an **invertebrate** hunt. The children carefully searched the outside areas and made record of the invertebrate they found.



Our current topic in Geography is **The Rainforests**. As well as continuing to develop geographical skills, we have been learning about the four layers in the rainforests and the animals that live in them. We have also been learning about **deforestation** and environmental problems caused by loggers and farmers as this

links to the book **'Where the Forest Meets the Sea'** that we are using to inspire our Writing.



## NURSERY CLASS

The children have settled back into Nursery well after the Easter break. We have been focusing on our topic **'Transport'**. The children have been talking



about different modes of transport and the different ways that they come to school. In maths, the children have been **counting** the cars with 1:1 correspondence up to 10 independently. We have also been exploring patterns and looking at where we find **patterns** and how we can make our own patterns. In literacy, we have been focusing on the book **'Oi get off our train'** and discussing why the animals wanted to join the train and how we should treat ani-



mals. Yasmin: "The animals had to get on the train to get away from the bad people. The bad people want to kill them". Herma: "God want us to look after the animals". The children are going to write about their favourite character in the story. Well done Nursery, keep up the good work!