

# ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th June 2022

*Dear parents and carers*

We started this week with our collective worship which focused on the theme of **Pentecost**. Fr Michael, who is currently serving at our local English Martyrs' parish shared his thoughts with us about the coming of the **Holy Spirit** and the effects of using his gifts.

**Phonics check** took place this week for all our Year 1 pupils while our Year 4 children have now started their **Multiplication Tables check**. These are both opportunities for children to demonstrate how much progress they have made throughout the year.

Year 2 pupils took part in a trip to a Pizza Express store where they took part and learned about the process of **making pizza**, which they thoroughly enjoyed. On Thursday, children in Year 3 and Year 6 started taking part in **Singing workshops** led by the choir masters from St Georges' RC Cathedral. These will carry on weekly and we hope that they will be able to lead our singing in our end of year liturgy in church.

Today **Class 3M** led our Friday **assembly**. They shared their science work on healthy eating, the work they've done on the Pentecost event in RE and the reasons why we celebrate this special Sunday with reflections of the fruits of the Spirit, love, self control, generosity and others. Thank you 3M for sharing with us your learning with confidence and enthusiasm.

This was truly a busy week full of a range of activities for all children across the school. I'm sure everyone is now ready for a restful weekend!

*Mr Camilleri - Headteacher*

**Our Prayer for Pentecost Sunday**

**Come Holy Spirit!**



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The following are some of the important dates to remember



**Friday 17th June**  
**Class Assembly - 1L**  
Parents of children in 1L invited to attend (Building 1)

**Sunday 19th June**  
**FATHERS' DAY**

**Monday 20th June**  
**Year 6 trip to Greenwich Observatory**

**Week beginning Monday 20th June**  
**Assessment week**

**Thursday 30th June**  
**Year 5 trip to St Michael's college**

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



## SUNDAY MASS REMINDER

As you will know, the obligation for attending Sunday Mass had been lifted at the beginning of the Covid pandemic period in 2020. There was a time when churches were closed and no services were held. When eventually churches were allowed to open once more people started attending again although there was no obligation due to the various Covid related concerns. Now that we are back to 'normality' the Bishops have re-instated the obligation. This means that from Sunday 5th June, Feast of Pentecost we are expected to attend Mass every Sunday.

**Please see Page 4 of this newsletter to read the letter by Archbishop John Wilson.**



## THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

Well done to all the children who took part in the poster competition for the Queen's Jubilee over Half Term week.

The following children are the winners in each year group.

**Yr 1—Oluwaseun**      **Yr 2 - Keriane**  
**Yr 3 - Marta, Sabrina**      **Yr 4 - Bersabel, Sofia**  
**Yr 5 - Urelle, Favour**      **Yr 6 - Karita, Faithful**

Prizes will be given out next week.

## NEWSLETTER ONLINE

For an **extended version** of our **school newsletter** please visit our website or use the link emailed and sent by text to parents.



## ENGLISH MARTYRS' NURSERY

Applications are now being accepted for enrolling children to start at our **Nursery** in September. If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019, you can apply for a place. Both half day and full day places are available.



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.



### Nursery:

Jayden, Phillip and Hannah

### Reception:

Harli, Amy and Zaman

### Year 1:

Jameela, Jade and Anthony

### Year 2:

Tatiana, Leah and Emmanuel

### Year 3:

Atinuke, Fatima and George

### Year 4:

Berbasel, Ifeluwa and Muna

### Year 5:

Isatu and Joel A

### Year 6:

Faithful and Joseph



# FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

# TTFIS WEEK

## CLASS 2E

2E have been doing lots of exciting learning recently. Just before half term, we visited the **Centre For Wildlife** Gardening in Dulwich. We all got to search for creatures under logs. The things we found included slugs, snails, woodlice and a stag beetle larva. We also had fun dipping and found lots of newts, tadpoles and froglets. When we returned to school, we took part in the **Jubilee celebrations** for Queen Elizabeth II

This week we also had a fabulous time **making pizza** at Pizza Express. We got to stretch the dough, spread sauce and sprinkle cheese. We all thought the pizzas we made were delicious.

In English we wrote **diary entries** as if we were a child in 1666 and used lots of descriptive vocabulary.



## CLASS 3M

3M have been learning about **volcanoes** and the impact that they have on the environment. We have learned that magma comes from the **magma** chamber and travels up through the vent to the crater cone. Take a look at some of the work that we have done on volcanoes which is displayed outside our classroom.

We have also been learning about the **Platinum Jubilee** and have put this into our assembly for this week. We have learnt the queen of England has ruled for seventy years and is the longest reigning British monarch.



## GARDENING CLUB

We have been growing our own strawberries.

Have a look, we think they are amazing and we hope you do too.





Dear Friend

So much has happened over the past two years since the pandemic began. Our lives have changed in many ways, but I want to share with you my certain faith that the love of the Lord Jesus for you and your family remains the same. A living relationship with him is essential for each of us to flourish as disciples.

For various reasons, you may not be coming to church at the moment. New routines have been found, and alternative arrangements made, during the pandemic, to suit the needs of your family. I write to say that we miss you; that I miss you. The church community is much poorer without you and your children.

On 5 June, the Church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost and the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is a feast of joy and renewal, sometimes called the church's birthday. I invite you to return to church, to rekindle your relationship with those who gather, Sunday by Sunday, so that, together, we can worship through the celebration of Eucharist. We are most beautifully the Church when we live out our lives gathered together around the altar. I want you to know you are missed, you are loved, and you are appreciated; and we would love to see you back again. Please come and join us again.

With my prayers and blessing

Yours sincerely in Christ

The Most Reverend John Wilson  
Archbishop of Southwark



COME HOME