

# ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th June 2022

*Dear parents and carers*

These last few days have been the hottest so far this year. Our children have been very careful and helpful in making sure they keep themselves away from the strong sunshine that we are not used to and to keep themselves dehydrated. For many children this has also been an opportunity to learn about different weather conditions and how severe weather or rising temperatures can be harmful.

We started this week with our collective worship which focused on the theme of **The Holy Trinity**, the feast we celebrated in church the previous Sunday. During the week, more Year 4 children continued with their **Multiplication Tables check**. All children have now completed this check and we will be forwarding their scores to parents in due course.

On Thursday, our Year 6 and Year 3 pupils had their second **Singing workshops** led by the choir masters from St Georges' RC Cathedral, while today **Class 1L** led our Friday **Class assembly** which included parts based on their writing, a roleplay of the story of Rama and Sita, a presentation on properties of 3D shapes and a lovely song with a great message of 'being strong'. A big thank goes to all children in 1L and their teachers as well as the parents who attended to support their children.

Tomorrow is a special day for a group of children from our school who will be receiving Jesus in First Holy Communion tomorrow. We wish them and their families a blessed day on this very special occasion.

Thank you and have a good weekend!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The following are some of the important dates to remember



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

**Monday 20th June**  
**Year 5 trip to**  
**Maritime Museum**

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

**Friday 17th June**  
**Class Assembly - 5T**  
**Parents of children in 5T invited**  
**to attend (Building 2)**

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

### FATHERS' DAY

This Sunday 19th June is Fathers' Day. We wish all fathers in our school community a very special day.

.HAPPY.  
FATHER'S  
DAY

WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER





### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

A group of children from our school will be receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time tomorrow **Saturday 18th June** during a mass at the English Martyrs Parish church.

They have been preparing for this special day for a long time and now they are ready to take this important step on their Christian journey. May they continue to be close to Jesus always.

### HOMEWORK

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.

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:

**Hannah and Jayden**

#### Reception:

**Amy and Destiny**

#### Year 1:

**Fikayo and Josfriya**

#### Year 2:

**Daniella and Trinity**

#### Year 3:

**Fatima, Abigail and Jamarta**

#### Year 4:

**Rachael and Enora Aiden**

#### Year 5:

**Lucas Nappa and Carola**

#### Year 6:

**Enoch and Korita**



### ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

YEAR GROUP	ATTENDANCE
Reception	97.64%
Year 1	97.36%
Year 2	97.92%
Year 3	96.30%
Year 4	98.52%
Year 5	97.12%
Year 6	97.24%

Well done to **Year 3** pupils who registered the highest attendance percentage this week



# FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

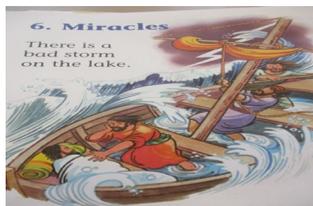
# TTHIS WEEK

## CLASS 1K

In Literacy we have been reading **Billy and the Beast by Nadia Shireen**. We took turns to retell the story using props. Some of us used story sequence strips and picture clues to sort the events into the order they occur in the story



In Maths we have been learning about weight and capacity. We have been estimating, weighing, measuring and recording the weight of different objects in kilograms. We have also identified containers that hold less/more than a litre and exactly one litre.



In RE we have been learning about the miracles of Jesus. We read the miracle of the Storm At Sea.

## CLASS 4J

In Science, we have been learning about the digestive system. We've learnt the difference between a scientific question and other questions and have found out that a scientific question can be tested. Using hard-boiled eggs to represent the enamel of teeth, we are carrying out a test to find which of 3 chosen liquids could cause teeth to decay the quickest. We are now making daily observations to come up with our conclusions.

Every week, the children enjoy an hour of structured PE lesson. The skills they learn support the development of their physical, mental and social skills.



## NURSERY

This term we have been focusing on the book **'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'**. The children joined in with the repeated refrains and then we role played the story. We talked about our favourite parts of the story by talking in full sentences. Mustapha: "My favourite part of the story is when the family ran back downstairs because they forgot to shut the door". Davina: "I liked when the bear tried to eat the family but he couldn't get them because they ran home so fast so the bear had to go back home without any food". The children have been enjoying taking the book during choosing time and telling the story themselves. We have also been practising blending the sounds together to read CVC words and some of the children can do this well. We will continue to practise this skill and they can practise at home as well. In maths, we have been learning about matching numerals to amounts and many of the children can do this up to 10 and some can go beyond. We have also been working on the childrens' communication and social skills so they have been encouraged to play imaginatively together. The children have been role playing in the home corner and playing imaginatively with different construction materials indoors and in the garden area. Well done Nursery!



# Starting Primary School



## Information sessions

**Wednesday 22nd June 2022**  
**10:00am - 11:30am (virtual)**

**Wednesday 29th June 2022**  
**10:00am - 11:30am (in person)**

**@ Southwark Council, 160 Tooley Street, SE1 2QH**

**SIAS (Southwark Information, Advice and Support)  
information sessions**

**For parents/carers of children with SEND (special  
educational needs and/or disabilities) who are due  
to start Primary School in September 2023 (born  
01/09/18 -31/08/2019).**

**There will be a short talk about what to expect,  
what you need to do and an opportunity to ask any  
questions you may have.**

**22nd June (virtual session) [click here to register](#)  
29th June (in-person session) [click here to register](#)**

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