



SS Peter & Paul Newsletter

FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2023 VOLUME 3



Dear Parents and Friends,

As we approach the last week of this September month my reflections this week link closely to Matthew's weekend gospel in which we hear about a group of workers disgruntled by their employer's decision to pay them all full days wages even if they only turned up at the end of the shift. The message Christ gives us from this parable is his equal generosity of love to us all and not judged by external factors. Simply put, he loves us all and encourages us to be generous to one another in the same way.

This generosity of spirit was in abundance this week with Year 5 pupils reminding us in their Liturgy about growth mindsets and also the commitment of the faith team as they embark upon this journey to spread God's love. This links perfectly as we remember the 150th anniversary of St Teresa this week whose feast day takes place on 2nd October. St Teresa of Liseux lived a very simple life underpinned by Love but what is less known about her is that she struggled with physical and mental health, yet had the attitude of never giving up. Let us think in the coming week how we can, through acts of random kindness, show our generosity and love towards others.

We hope that you found the curriculum booklets shared with you earlier this week useful. The new style booklet provides detailed information about your child's year group and curriculum for the term ahead and what to expect. These documents will be added to the website shortly.

I must commend all children in school for achieving 97% attendance since the start of term and beating our whole school target. Let's keep this up and see if we can all get to 100% at some point this year. As I mentioned at the meet the teacher meetings, it is important your child is in school everyday so they do not miss out on important learning and can progress and achieve their end of year goals.

Children look smart everyday, but may I particularly remind you that on Tuesday 26th September, children will be having their individual school photos taken so please ensure they look extra smart. If it is your child's PE day, please ensure they bring their kits in a bag.

With best wishes,

Mrs Atkinson-Aransiola
Headteacher



Important dates:

27th - Y1 Liturgy 9-9.30
(Parents welcome)

28th- Reception Parents
Phonics Workshop 9-9.30 am

4th- Y4 St Francis Feast Day
(Y4 St Francis can wear a
purple clothing item)

5th- Y1 Parents Phonics
Workshop 9-9.30 am

5th- New Prospective
Reception parent Open Day
9am & 2.45pm

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

School Target- 96%

GOLD AWARD
Y4 St Maximillian 100%

SILVER AWARD
Y3- St Marie- 99.1%

BRONZE AWARD
Y2- St Clare- 99%

Class Attendance:

Nur- St Mary- 96.4%
REC- St Joseph 94.5%
Y1- St Brigid- 98%
Y4 St Francis- 95%
Y5 St Josephine- 98.1%
Y6 St Daniel- 98.1%
Y6 St Joan- 96.2%



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Morning Drop off & Collection

Morning Drop Off

- Both School Gates will be open FROM 8.30 where Parents can drop off.
- Children will be allowed in to the building at 8.45am and expected to go straight into class.
- Latecomers are asked to report to the school office.

Collection

Uncollected children will be taken to the Cedars- Wraparound Care. Please note that charges may apply for late collection. Please vacate the playground quickly once you have collected your children as after school clubs begin shortly after collection.



St Josephine Class Liturgy

I would like to thank children in Y5 St Josephine class for kick starting our Class Liturgies this term with a reflective celebration of their current RE topic 'Ourselves'. They shared the importance of using the wonderful gifts and talents that God has given us and how we can all approach life with a growth mindset. The children created prayers of the faithful, sang hymns, read scripture and even created a video that showed how having a positive attitude can help us when approaching difficult tasks. The children did such an amazing job and should be very proud of themselves. Thank you to their teachers: Miss McGill and Mr Pietras and to the parents that attended for their support.





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St George's Cathedral

Earlier this week, Ms Reid and members of our faith team represented our school at the Beginning of the Year Diocesan Mass held at St George's Cathedral. They watched as I, alongside other headteachers, governors, chaplains and staff from the Education commission made our pledge to dedicate and uphold our services to Catholic Education. It was a wonderful occasion to join 60 schools and pupils from across the Southwark Diocese. Whilst there we were also able to sneak in a photo with Bishop Paul Hendricks and see the magnificent Oscar Romero cross commissioned all the way from El Salvador, where he is known as the patron saint.





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Please join us for our monthly.... Coffee Morning

Friday 29th September
Macmillan Coffee Morning

Time: 8:50-9:30

Location: Year 5 Classroom

Please wait outside Year 5 classrooms (in front of
the car park)



Please join us for a
coffee and a cake.
Donations raised on
the day are made to
Macmillan.



Having a Coffee Morning is the perfect chance to catch up over
a cuppa and a slice of something delicious for a great cause.

If you would like to contribute to our coffee morning please
bring along any baked goods or treats .

Thank you in advance for your time and support.

Mrs Bimson

Who can you talk to?

If you are worried about something or have a concern about a
child and would like to speak to someone please email

Mrs Bimson, Assistant Headteacher (Pastoral and Inclusion)

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