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Dear Parents and Friends,

I'm not quite sure where to begin when I tell you that this week has been the most eventful it has ever been in the last year, with many different exciting opportunities and memorable learning experiences taking place across the school.

We are truly blessed and thank you for your support in many different ways for enabling these to go ahead.

Rather than fill my little section with all of the details, please read the pages overleaf which will capture everything that has happened but do remember to also head over to our Instagram page and click that 'like' button -ssppmitcham1.

In our Gospel Reading this Sunday from Matthew, we are reminded that the kingdom of heaven is like a wedding feast. At different times throughout our lives, we and our children will receive various invitations - some more important than others. However, the most important invitation we can receive is from God, regardless of our past and present situation, his banquet begins here on Earth and continues right into heaven, Pope Francis this week reminds us to "Ask the Lord for the grace always to accept the invitation to His feast, which is free".

Have a very blessed and wonderful weekend,

Mrs Atkinson-Aransiola
Headteacher



Important dates:

- 16th- Nursery Parents Evening 1-4pm
- 17th- KS2 Parents Evening 1.30-7pm
- 18th- KS1 & REC Parents Evening 1.30-7pm
- 19th- Y6 Trip to British Museum
- 20th- Wear Red Mufti Day (Show Racism the Red Card)
- 23rd-27th- Half term
- 31st- Y4 Reading Workshop 9-10am (with parents and children)
- 1st- Y6 Reading Workshop 9-10am (with parents and children)

ATTENDANCE MATTERS School Target- 96%

GOLD AWARD
Y4 - St Maximillian 99.1%

SILVER AWARD
Y5 St Josephine- 96.9%

BRONZE AWARD
Y1 - St Brigid- 96.7%

Class Attendance:

Y4 St Francis- 96.6%
Y6 St Daniel - 96.4%
REC St Joseph 96.4%
Y2 - St Clare - 96.3%
Y3 - St Marie Milleret- 94.9%
Y6 St Joan - 92.5%
Nur - St Mary 86%



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Reading For Pleasure



Y4 Wimbledon Bookfest- Steve Mulhern

This Tuesday, Year 4 enjoyed a fantastic trip to see Stephen Mulhern at the New Wimbledon Theatre as part of this year's Wimbledon Bookfest. The children were delighted to see such a famous face close-up and were in awe of some magic tricks performed for the children. The host of popular shows like Catchphrase and Britain's Got More Talent spoke to the children about his career in television whilst also providing lots of writing tips and tricks as he promoted his latest book, Max Magic. The children were really engaged by Stephen's message of never giving up on your dreams and couldn't wait to start reading his book!



Y5/6 Wimbledon Bookfest - David Walliams

On Friday, Year 5 and 6 visited New Wimbledon Theatre to take part in a supercharged book festival with a famous author - David Walliams. Children from all classes attended this live event which included a one-hour spectacular with one of Britain's favourite storytellers. The event included hilarious performative readings and each child received a copy of David Walliams' new book 'Blunders'. Many children were so excited to read it on the journey back to school! But who did they bump into on the way home, none other than her ex-councillor and Mayor, Joan Henry. What a spectacular day!





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Curriculum News

Y1 Marvellous Mitcham Trip

Year 1 went on their first geography field trip this week. They walked around the town, identifying different physical and human features of Mitcham.

The sun shone and it was a great enrichment activity to support their geography learning. A big thank you to all the families that came with us and supported us on this trip! We couldn't have done it without you!



Y4 Blues and Roots Concert

On Wednesday, our Year 4 children attended a Rhythm and blues Jazz festival at Wimbledon Theatre. They listened to various jazz performances and joined in by singing songs they had learned in music classes as well as using body percussion. It was truly an amazing experience enjoyed by all.



Stay and Play with Nursery

Thank you to all the parents and family members that joined nursery in their topic finale session this morning. The parents were introduced to our morning routine and were able to explore the environment. It was great to see all adults and children interacting and accessing our curriculum together. A huge thank you to our PTA for their support with making the cakes.





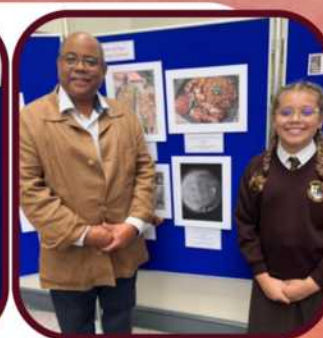
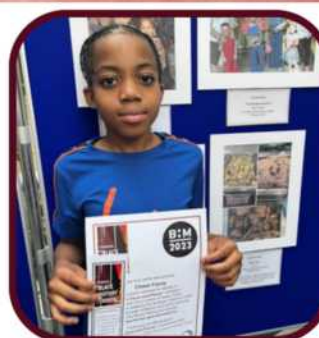
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Faces and Places Photography Competition

On Tuesday afternoon some of our children were invited to attend the Merton Heritage Service photography exhibition 'Faces and Places'. Lots of our children's photographs were selected to be displayed at the exhibition and we even had three competition winners (including the Mayors favourite!). What a lovely evening spent celebrating Black History Month. Congratulations to all the children involved. Make sure to head down to Morden Library where the photographs will be exhibited for the rest of this month.





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Jamie Knight Football Freestyler



On Thursday, the school was a hive of excitement when we had Jamie Knight, one of the world's best and most in demand professional Football Freestylers visit us. Jamie has travelled the world working with the most prominent global brands- Nike and Adidas to name a few and works regularly with professional footballers including Gary Neville and Rio Ferdinand. One of his most noticeable performances was Ireland's Britain's Got Talent- click on the link below to watch:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I-K4VI4IP0s>

But we were very fortunate to have him for the day and inspire and impress us with one of his most skilful performances both in our assembly and at the end of the day for the parents. All classes across the school had the opportunity to attend his workshops and learn some of his tricks and skills with a football, staff too.



Multi skills event



Cross Country



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Catholic Life of the school

Y6 St Daniel Comboni Feast Day

On Tuesday 10th of October, we celebrated the feast day of St Daniel Comboni. Children in Y6 discussed his work as a missionary and why it was important for the sharing of the Good News in Africa. They focussed on the special qualities he would have needed to commit to such work, traits such as courage, faith and love (some of our own school virtues!). Exploring the Bible, they looked at other missionaries in the Bible such as Jonah and Paul. To celebrate the feast day, they wore items of purple clothing or accessories.



Year 2 Pupil-led Class Liturgy

On Wednesday, year 2 shared their liturgy with the rest of the school. The focus was the Rosary. They shared with us the story from the Luminous Mysteries, The Annunciation, and explained how Mary was ready to do whatever God asked of her and to live a life full of love and goodness. They then sang the Hail Mary through song and sign. The children then offered prayers to God and sent us off on a mission to be kind and loving to one another.





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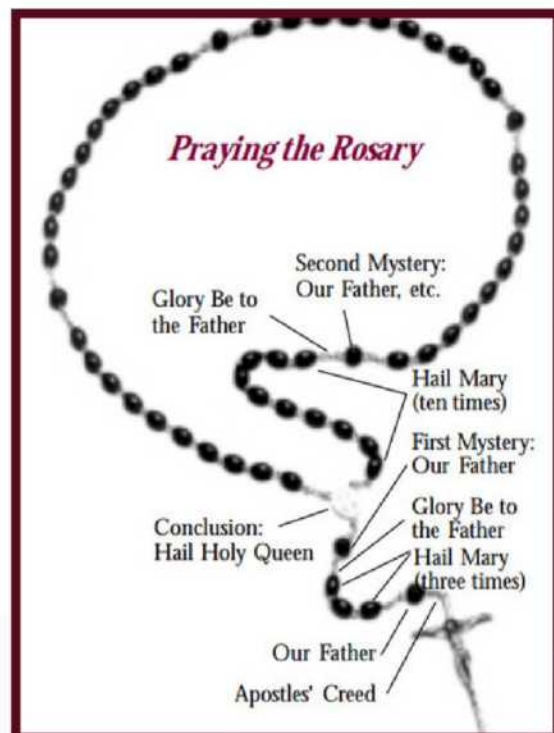
Catholic Life of the school

Stay and Pray Rosary Prayer morning

The Month of the Holy Rosary is a special time dedicated to praying the Rosary. The Rosary is an important set of prayers for Catholics, but can also be used by all Christians. Rosary beads are often used for protection, and many people believe that having a rosary with them will keep evil and danger away.

Did you know? The word "Rosary" translates to "Crown of Roses." Roses can signify many sentiments, but historically, they are considered a timeless and beautiful flower. It is believed that each time the Holy Rosary is recited, a crown of roses is placed upon the heads of the Blessed Mother and Jesus, which will never disappear.

Our Pupil Chaplaincy team would like to invite you **every Thursday** for the rest of this month to pray the Rosary with us in our newly established chapel-entrance besides the school hall at **8.30am**.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!



Important Liturgical Dates

16th October- Whole School Harvest Festival Mass-
10.30am (Parents Welcome)

1st November - All Saint Day Mass 10.30am (Parents Welcome)

8th November- Y6 Pupil Liturgy- Remembrance 9am-9.30
(Parents Welcome)



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Messy Church

SEN friendly

STORIES

SONGS

CRAFTS

SENSORY
ACTIVITIES

COLOURING

SAFARI
HUNT

All Nations Revival Church
Cricket Green School
Lower Green West, Mitcham CR4 3AF

Sunday 15th October
11.30am - 1.15pm

"The one who made everything loves you the most!"

**God's
Good Creation**

Fun for all the family, free light lunch

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Contact Kevin for more information on 07939 817836

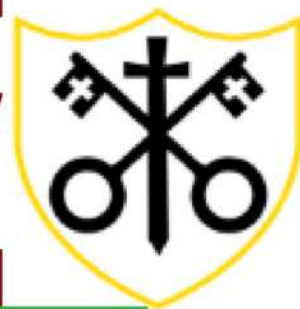
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Wellbeing
Support Service
NHS In-School

NHS
South West London and
St George's Mental Health
NHS Trust

Coffee Morning Topic:

Building Confidence During Primary Years

JOIN US ON
WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER 9AM - 9:45AM

- **Focuses on understanding anxiety and how to build confidence in primary school**
- **Gives tips and strategies on how you can support your child with their worries and encourage them to step outside of their comfort zone.**



If you would like to sign up please
email Mrs Bimson on:

inclusion@sspp.merton.sch.uk





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PROKOFIEV'S
**PETER
& THE
WOLF**

THE ANIMATED FILM
WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA

 SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18TH 2023 AT 1PM, 3PM & 5PM
REGENT HALL, 275 OXFORD ST. LONDON

ALL PROFITS TO BENEFIT UK MUSIC MASTERS -
EMPOWERING CHILDREN TO REACH THEIR CREATIVE POTENTIAL

FIND OUT MORE AT WWW.MUSICMASTERS.ORG.UK

ENJOY A MUSICAL DAY OUT WITH A SPECIAL 10% DISCOUNT FOR MERTON CHILDREN

Come and watch 'Peter & The Wolf' – the Oscar-winning stop-motion animation, set beautifully to Prokofiev's famous music. Stuart Hancock will be conducting St Paul's Sinfonia live on-stage in front of the big screen, and the film's director, Suzie Templeton, together with some of the actual puppets that star in the film, will be there as part of the extended introduction section.

the performance will open with an exclusive preview of Kensuke's Kingdom – the new animated feature film adaptation of the Michael Morpurgo book, with stuart hancock's orchestral music performed live.

All profits from the event will benefit the excellent music education charity. Music Masters - <https://musicmasters.org.uk> - empowering children to reach their creative potential through music, no matter their background.

use the promo code "MERTONPETER" to get a 10% discount on ticket purchases here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/peter-the-wolf-live-tickets-706749666277>

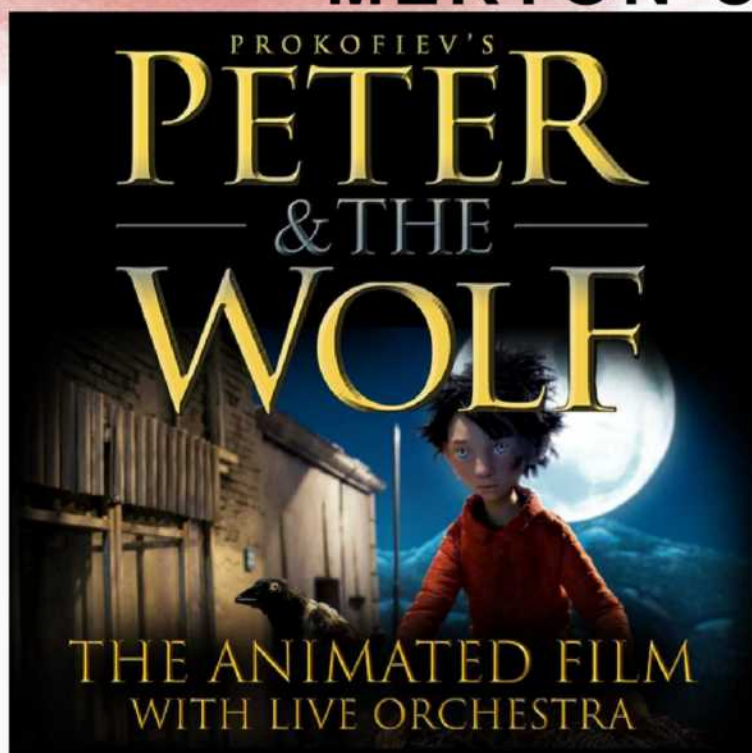


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THE SCHOOL MENU IS CHANGING FOR NEXT HALF TERM-

SS Peters & Pauls Autumn/ Winter 2023/ 2024		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 30/10/2023 20/11/2023 11/12/2023 13/01/2024 05/02/2024 04/03/2024 25/03/2024		Option one Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Beef Burger with Toppings and Potato Wedges	Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Option two	Tomato & Amablatto Pasta	Courgette & Potato Layer Bake	Veggie Sausages, Onions and Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Five Bean Chili with Rice	Cheesy Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Winter Roasted Vegetable's	Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables	Peas Cauliflower	Roasted Carrots Green Beans	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Lemon Drizzle	Fruit Jelly with Mandarins	Freshly Chopped Fruit Medley	NEW Jam and Coconut Sponge	Oaty Cookie
WEEK TWO 06/11/2023 27/11/2023 18/12/2023 22/01/2024 19/02/2024 11/03/2024		Option one Chinese Vegetable Noodles	Chef Shipa's Chicken Karma with Rice	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Middle Eastern Chicken with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Option two	Roasted Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegan Burger in a Bun and Potato Wedges	Vegan Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Quesadilla with Rice	Wholemeal Cheese and Tomato Quiche with Chips
	Vegetables	Peas Carrots	Mediterranean Vegetables	Sliced Carrots Broccoli	Green Beans Cauliflower	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	NEW Carrot Cake	Apple Crumble with Custard	Fruit Medley	Chocolate Drizzle Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Vanilla Shortbread
WEEK THREE 13/11/2023 04/12/2023 08/01/2024 29/01/2024 26/02/2024 19/03/2024		Option one Wholemeal Cheese and Tomato French Bread Pizza	Spaghetti Bolognaise with Garlic Bread	Sausages, Onions and Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Chinese Vegetable Curry with Rice	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishcake with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Vegetables	Option two	Cheese & Pepper Whirl with Jacket Wedges	Vegetable Fajitas with Rice	Winter Veg Slice, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	BBQ Quorn Fillet with Chips
	Vegetables	Sweetcorn BBQ Baked Beans	Broccoli Cauliflower	Carrots Cabbage	Winter Mixed Vegetables	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Iced Sponge	NEW Chocolate Orange Cookie	Fruit Platter	Peach Upside Down Cake with Custard	NEW Melting Moment Biscuit
MENU KEY		Added Plant Power	Wholemeal	Vegan	Chef's Special	
Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings - Bread freshly baked on site daily- Daily salad selection		ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.				