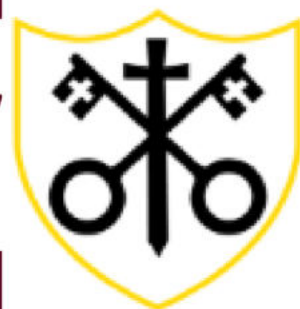




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Dear Parents and Friends,

Christmas is very much around the corner, and in every pocket of the school you will hear the sweet dulcet tones of pupils singing and preparing for Advent Services, Carol Services and nativities.

December 3rd marks the First Sunday of Advent. As we celebrate the season of Advent, we prepare ourselves for the celebration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ at Christmas. Advent is a time of hopeful waiting; a time when we answer the call of John the Baptist: *"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."* May our prayerful observance of this season of Advent draw us nearer to our loving and merciful God. During the Advent season, we are looking forward to coming together as a prayerful community. We welcome you to join us in solidarity as a school community for our Advent Celebrations on December 4th at 9.15 am, a liturgy that will be led by our Year 4 pupils.

As we enter the Advent Season, the staff of SS Peter and Paul School wishes that much hope, love, joy and peace fills your home in preparation for the birth of our Lord, Jesus.

**Dear Lord,**

***Advent is a time of waiting for the arrival of your Son, Jesus.  
Guide us to prepare our hearts through small acts of kindness.  
Help us to forgive those who have hurt us.  
Open our hearts that we might see You in the everyday  
Amen***

Have a wonderful weekend, Thank you for your generous donations of bottles for our Christmas Bazaar this weekend, I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow.

Mrs Atkinson-Aransiola  
Headteacher



## Important dates:

**2nd - School Christmas Bazaar led by the PTA 1-4pm (TOMORROW)**

**4th- Y4 Advent Service  
9.15am (ALL Parents Welcome)**

**5th - Y1 Trip to Merton Bus Garage**

**8th- Y5 Trip to British Museum for Ancient Greeks topic.**

**13th - Reception & Nursery Nativity to parents 2- 2.30pm**

**14th-Reception & Nursery Nativity to parents 10-10.30am**

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS  
School Target- 96%  
Total this week: 97%**

**GOLD AWARD  
Y1 St Brigid 98.8%**

**SILVER AWARD  
Y4 St Francis 98.1%**

**BRONZE AWARD  
Y5-St Josephine 98%**

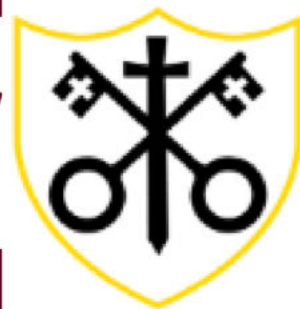
**Class Attendance:**  
Y4- St Maximillian 97.6%  
Y2- St Clare - 97.6%  
REC- St Joseph- 96.6%  
Y6- St Joan 96.4%  
Y3- St Marie Milleret 97%  
St Daniel Comboni 95.8%  
NUR- St Mary 92.8%





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## Catholic Life of the school

### The Season of Advent

This year, Advent begins on Sunday, December 3, 2023, and will end on Saturday, December 24, 2023. This means the fourth week of Advent will be just a day! Advent will go by even faster than usual, so preparation is key to making the most of this time. To prepare for the beautiful celebration of Advent, let us reflect on the most wonderful gift we could ever receive.

When Mary was told she was the chosen one, she was frightened but gracious and accepting. In a world where we need hope, peace, joy and love more than ever, we may feel frightened but we continue to have faith in Jesus and support others. We think about our global family and pray for the millions of people face hunger, sadness, loneliness, extreme poverty or struggles in life. Let's reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters around the world with our prayers, liturgies and reflections.

### The True Meaning of Advent

The word Advent originates from a Latin word "Adventus" which means "**coming**" or "**arrival**." Advent Season is focused on preparing for the coming of Jesus Christ in all ways, from His birth in the past to His Second Coming in the future as the Messiah.

Advent is a meaningful season that reminds us of the reality of Jesus Christ and that He has come and He is present in our world and lives. As the greatest gift we could ever receive, God sent himself in human form as Jesus.

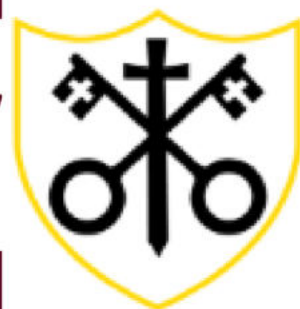






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## Catholic Life of the school

### What can you do at home during the season of Advent?

We have attached some family activities, prayers and reflections you may wish to share at home. The CAFOD Advent calendar and the Mission Together website both explore many world issues and we are using these in school to remind children of our quest to care for our common home.

We light our advent candles of hope, peace, love and joy and keep in our minds that we are stronger together and we have one common factor... the love of Jesus.

Please click on the links below for advent activities and reflections. We wish you all a holy and peaceful advent season.

[Digital Advent Calendar – Mission Together](#)

[Advent calendar for children \(cafod.org.uk\)](http://cafod.org.uk)

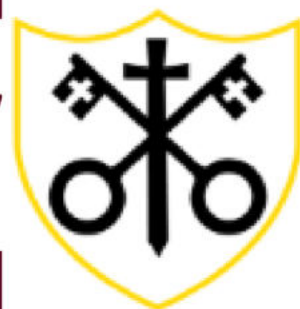






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## Catholic Life of the school

### *Advent Reflection*

*During the season of Advent,  
we will be inviting parents and  
children to come and join us in  
the chapel for a time of  
reflection.*

*When: Thursday Mornings*

*Time: 8:30am*

*Venue: The Chapel*

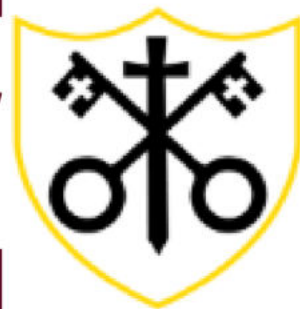






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## Other Faiths- Judaism

### Year 3 Judaism Liturgy

Each year, just before Advent we focus on Judaism one of the six world faiths. I would like to say a huge thank you and Well done to our St Marie pupils for their wonderful class liturgy this week. Year 3 pupils shared what they had been learning in their 'Other Faiths' topic of Judaism. It was great to see what they had learned about the synagogue and hear about their virtual visit to The Wimbledon Synagogue. They also sang a beautiful version of '*I Love The Flowers*' to celebrate St Cecilia's feast day - the patron Saint of music. It was lovely to see so many parents and relatives attend this special occasion and support our children, thank you.

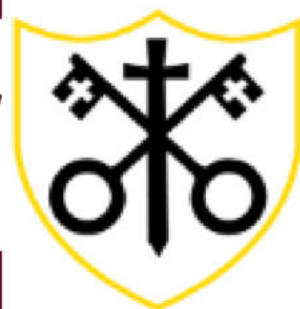






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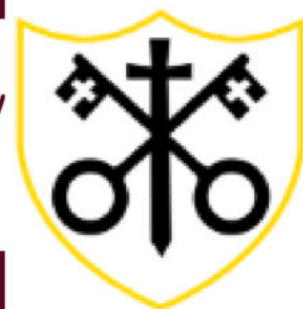
## Curriculum News

### Year 6 Trip to Ursuline High School

A huge thank you to Ursuline High School for inviting us to watch their dress rehearsal performance of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang earlier this week. Our Y6 pupils enjoyed a sensational show and it was great to see many of SSPP graduates perform on stage too!







## Achievement & Success

### NED Champions

**Congratulations to this week's NED Champions:**

Tavi and Eva (St Joseph); Aaron- Jase (St Brigid); Riyaan (St Clare); Clara (St Marie); Lucy (St Maximilian); Jothan (St Francis); Sanveer (St Josephine); Christopher (St Daniel); Francesca (St Joan).

**Music NED Champions are:** Maisie (KS1) and Janielle (KS2).

**PE NED Champions are:** Milana (St Josephine) and Daniel (St Clare)



### SSPP Attendance

Our school target for attendance is **96%**. To achieve this all children need to be in school everyday.

Class attendance Winners this week goes to;

**St Brigid**  
**98.8%**



**ECO CLASS WINNER**  
(you will win a class plant to look after for the week!)

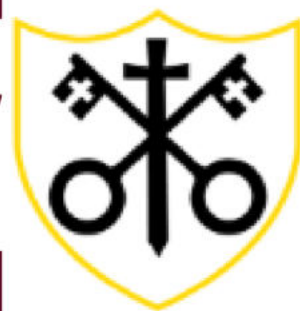
Well done  
St Daniel Class  
Year 6





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## SS Peter & Paul School PTA Christmas Bazaar

2nd December 2023

1 - 4 P M

We Invite you to celebrate the most beautiful time of the year with us! Come and enjoy good music and excellent food all within a festive ambience that will make this christmas unforgettable!



FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES  
★ ARTISAN STALLS  
● CAKE COMPETITION  
● SCHOOL CHOIR







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## REAL COMMUNITY NEWS TREASURE

### Community News

**MITCHAM'S**  
**WINTER WEEKEND**

Mitcham Fair Green and Market Square

THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER 3-8pm  
FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER 3-8pm  
SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER 12-8pm  
SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER 11-4pm

Event includes:  
Ice rink • Live music  
Christmas makers market  
Food • Plus more!

Scan QR code for more details

**Towards  
Employment**

