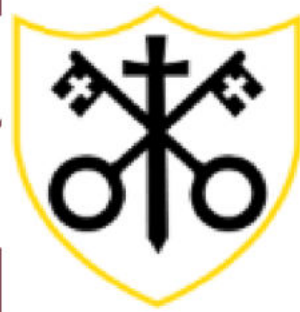




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To our wonderful community of SS Peter & Paul,

Last week we received our new Reception 2024 list and we are so proud so many more families are choosing SS Peter & Paul as their first choice local school. Our Nursery places also continue to rise from 17 this time last year to 33. Thank you to all of our children, staff and families that make our school such a special place to be and learn!

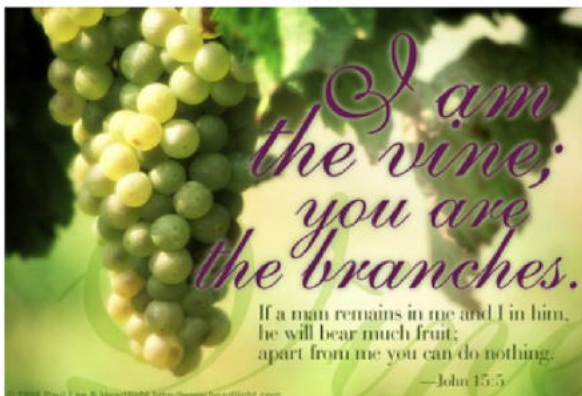
I would like to say huge thank you to the many Reception parents who attended St Joseph's celebration of the word assembly this week. We hope you enjoyed watching their assembly. I'm sure you will agree that the children exuded confidence in delivering their readings and the soloists that performed displayed exceptional talent. Thank you St Joseph's class, Mrs Mako and the team for a wonderful liturgy to mark the start of the term.

This half term is already looking like it is going to be one filled with excellent learning experiences for our children. In Reception, today parents, staff and pupils said goodbye to our little feathered friends, who have been so well looked after and nurtured by St Joseph's class and have brought much joy, laughter and immersive learning experiences to the whole school community. Our little chickens (not the children!) will be returning to the farm from whence they came. Do look on our Instagram page to see the wonderful work produced by Reception as part of their learning journey.

Please may I remind you that additional booster support classes for the summer term will commence from next week. If you have received a letter from your child's class teacher regarding these sessions, please ensure your child attends as it will help address and close any gaps in their learning that have been identified from recent assessments.

'Jesus said, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty".

John 15:5



As we continue in the season of Eastertide, John's Gospel this week describes Jesus as the true vine to which we must remain connected in order to bear fruit. Let us ask Jesus this week through the action of the Holy Spirit, to help us to produce good 'fruit' in our lives and think about ways we can show that good 'fruit' this week.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Atkinson-Aransiola
Headteacher



Important dates:

- 29th April-10th May - Y3 Intensive Swimming Programme beings for 2 weeks.
- 1st May- May Day
- 6th May- **BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY (no school)**
- 7th May- Diocese Rosary Prayer Day
- 7th-9th May- Y4 Water sports Activity (see separate letter)
- 9th May- Feast of the Ascension Mass- 10am (All parents welcome)
- 9th May- Relationship & Sex Education Information Meeting for parents (All are welcome)- 3.15-3.45pm

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

School Target- 96%
Total this week: 96.07%

GOLD AWARD

Y5- St Josephine 98.8%

SILVER AWARD

REC- St Joseph 98.2%

BRONZE AWARD

Y4- St Maximillian 98.1%

Class Attendance:

- Y1 St Brigid 96.7%
- Y6- St Joan 96.4%
- Y3 St Marie 96.2%
- Y6 St Daniel 96%
- NUR- St Mary 95.3%
- Y4 St Francis 94.7%
- Y2 St Clare 94.3%



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Catholic life of the school

St George's Feast Day- 22nd April

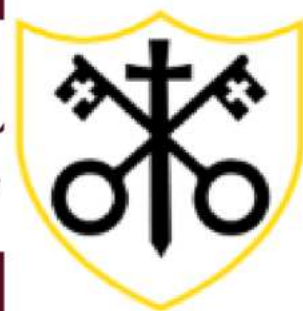
Thank you to the many children who joined in wearing a red item of clothing or accessory early this week to mark the feast day of St George, the patron saint of England.





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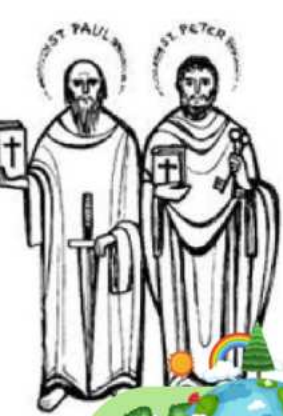


Catholic life of the school

Celebration of the word- St Joseph Class

Early this week, St Joseph's class shared the Good News about Jesus in their Celebration of the Word assembly. Great singing and wonderful reading from some of our youngest children! Well done everyone! Thank you to all of the parents and carers who came to support.





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Earth Day - 22nd April

On Monday, the SSPP Eco warriors delivered an assembly to the school to celebrate Earth Day. It centred around this year's theme of 'Planet vs plastics' and the damage that plastic pollution is doing to our beautiful planet. We focused on the instructions given to us by Pope Francis in Laudato Si to be good stewards of Earth's creation. The Eco warriors also designed a school quiz where representatives from different year groups were called forward to answer questions about our planet. Finally, every child in the school wrote a pledge about the small things they will try to do that will make a big difference.

ECO Project
Please remember to
bring in plastic
bottle tops for our
ECO project.





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Celebrating Earth Day with St Joseph Class



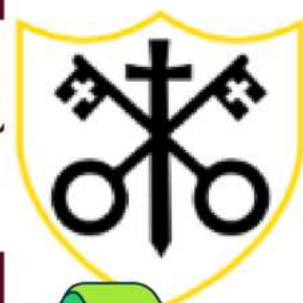
Children at St. Joseph Class recently marked Earth Day with engaging, hands-on activities that positively impacted our planet. Passionate about biodiversity and sustainability, the children eagerly took part in projects aimed at supporting the environment. From providing flowers for bees to composting food waste collected since the beginning of the year, the children demonstrated their commitment to caring for the Earth. In the early spring, they planted flower seeds, which grew into seedlings and gone into the playground flower boxes. They also created a wild flower patch for our wider community at the Cannon's Community Gardens. It's wonderful to see our young ones actively contributing to a greener, healthier world!





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Creative Arts Day at Ursuline High School



15 of our Year 4 & 5 girls visited Ursuline High School for a Creative Arts Day. The girls took part in three different workshops that linked to the theme of sustainability. The workshops involved elements of Art, Drama and Music. Throughout the day the students at Ursuline talked about the importance of taking care of our planet. The children explored the impact of reducing, reusing and recycling and considered ways that we can use things in a smart way to keep the earth happy.

Thank you to the students and staff at Ursuline for a great day filled with creativity and sustainability.





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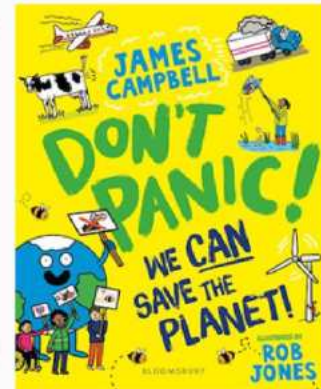
BEGIN AGAIN BY OLIVER JEFFERS

A powerful, thoughtful and bold comment on humanity and its future from one of today's most thought-provoking artists. In his first picture book created specifically with a wider audience in mind, Oliver Jeffers shares a history of humanity and his dreams for its future. Where are we going? With his bold, exquisite artwork, Oliver Jeffers starts at the dawn of humankind following people on their journey from then until now, and then offers the reader a challenge: where do we go from here? How can we think about the future of the human race more than our individual lives? How can we save ourselves? How can we change our story? A must-have for every forward-thinking person who wants the next generation to inherit a world to be proud of.



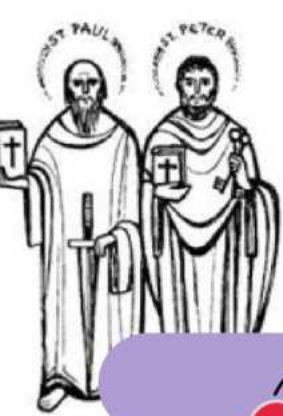
DON'T PANIC! WE CAN SAVE THE PLANET

BY JAMES CAMPBELL AND ILLUSTRATED BY ROB JONES. Tired of FREAKING OUT about climate change? Want to stop being an eco-WORRIER and start being an eco-WARRIOR? And do you absolutely, positively LOVE laughing? Then this hands-on and hilarious guide to saving the world is for YOU! Written by award-winning author James Campbell - who lives off-grid and owns a compost loo - find out how cow-farts are wrecking the world, what a fossil fuel even is and why 'earthships' (and not spaceships) are the future!



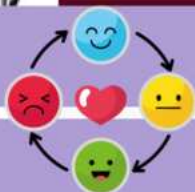
FEATHER BY M.G. LEONARD

The Twitchers have one last mystery to solve – and this time it's a heist! The final unputdownable adventure in the bestselling birdwatching detective series from the internationally acclaimed author of Beetle Boy and Adventures on Trains, wildlife queen M.G. Leonard. On a school trip to the Royal Swan Natural History Museum, Ava finds herself at the centre of a heist: hundreds of invaluable bird of paradise skins from the Alfred Wallace Collection have been stolen! When she discovers a large jet-black feather, she's sure it's a clue, but the police won't listen to her. Slipping away, she takes the case to the Twitchers in an investigation that leads them to the bizarre and sinister world of fly-fishing, and to a mysterious girl with a pet Raven called Caliban and a dangerous ring of thieves and smugglers...



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Inclusion News



The Zones of Regulation

Thursday 2nd May at 9:00am



Blue Zone



Green Zone



Yellow Zone



Red Zone



Coffee Morning



This Summer term children will be learning about emotional regulation and participating in a range of activities. If you would like to learn more and understand how to support your child develop strategies to regulate their emotions than please join our Coffee morning led by the Merton Well-being Team and a few special helpers from our School Council Team.

Join us on: Thursday 2nd May at 9:00am

- Focus on learning what emotional regulation is and how to support the development of emotional regulation
- Discuss Zones of Regulation and develop strategies on how to support your child with their emotions





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**Stress
Awareness
Month**

**Be Kind To
Your Mind**

**Top tips for
managing
stress this
month**

Small Actions To Make Big Changes



CONNECT WITH SOMEONE

Are they okay? • Are you okay? • Check in with your support network • Connect with someone new • A sense of belonging and community can help reduce feelings of loneliness.

PRIORITISE SLEEP

Take small steps to improve your bedtime routine. Wind down before bed by minimizing your screen time • Make your bedroom a 'tech-free' zone • Create a clean and restful sleep environment • Jot down what's on your mind and set it aside for tomorrow • Avoid caffeine after 4pm.



MOVE IN YOUR OWN WAY

Get moving the way you want to. This could be walking, running, yoga, stretches, doing some gardening. Move in a way you'll enjoy, get those endorphins flowing and let off some steam.

SPEND TIME IN NATURE

Take some time out of your day to step outside, get some fresh air and spend time in nature. This could be eating your lunch outside, or taking a short walk after work. Stimulate your senses and look at the beauty of nature



BREATHE DEEP

Your breath is a powerful tool to help with stress reduction and relaxation. Short, shallow breaths can heighten anxiety so being conscious and taking time to breathe deep helps us shift into a relaxation mode.

PRACTICE MINDFULNESS

Practicing mindfulness allows you to focus on the here and now. It aids self-awareness, helps you practice emotional regulation and control. You can actively practice during a designated mindfulness session or be mindful of your all five of your sense whilst participating in an activity, such as a nature walk.



#LittleByLittle



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Achievement & Success

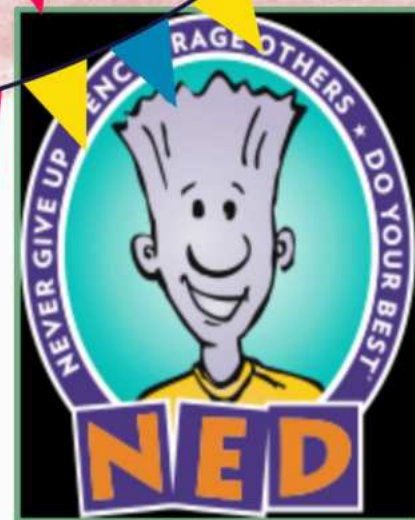
NED CHAMPIONS THIS WEEK ARE:

ST JOSEPH- NICOLE
ST BRIGID- ANTONIE
ST CLARE- MAISIE
ST MARIE- LEIA
ST MAXIMILLIAN- GABRIEL
ST FRANCIS- SAMUEL
ST JOSEPHINE- EVIE
ST DANIEL- SERAN
ST JOAN- KEVIN

MUSIC NED CHAMPIONS ARE:

ANTONI C (Y2)
JONATHAN (Y6)

Congratulations to all of our Ned Champions on their incredible achievements and talents this week.





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Community News



junior parkrun

Join us for a free, weekly, 2k for 4-14 year olds.
Walk, jog, run or volunteer, it's for everyone!

Figges Marsh junior parkrun
which takes place every Sunday at 9am

Figges Marsh, Streatham Rd, Mitcham, CR4 2AD

For more
information or to
register, please visit
[www.parkrun.org.uk/
figgesmarshjuniors/](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/figgesmarshjuniors/)
or scan the QR code

