



In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and his way

School Newsletter Newsletter 3

Summer Term 2023
Thursday 4 May

Headteacher: Mr P O'Rourke
Deputy Heads: Mrs C McGivern
Mrs S Hukowski
SENCo: Mrs J Burke

Our School Houses

St Thérèse of Lisieux

Blue

St Oscar Romero

Red

St Francis of Assisi

Yellow

St Josephine Bakhita

Green

This Week's Merits

Each week, teachers nominate children in their class to receive a special merit. This could be in recognition for working hard, achieving something particular, being a good friend, or any number of reasons that show that they are living up to the school motto - 'In everything we do today, we are following Jesus and his way.' The following children have been chosen by their teachers (CM = Class Merit):

Class	Name of children
RG	Adeeb, Iga
RW	Neya, Alexander
1A	Igor
1DS	CM
1W	CM, Aribah, Benjamin
2B	Rosie, Callum
2K	CM
2NS	Harvey, Sebastian
3A	Olympia, Sebastian
3F	Diana, Le-Roux
3S	Lily, Alexander
4GC	Isabella, Luca
4P	Jake, Uwem
4OS	CM
5B	Obaa, Nana
5M	Emilia, Kian
5S	Eleanore, Anthony
6K	Jake, Class Merit
6M	CM
6OT	Allana, Ciara

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Next Week in School

Friday 5 May
Year 5 to HYMB

Tuesday 9 May
Year 6 Grammar tests

Wednesday 10 May
Year 6 Reading test

Thursday 11 May
Year 6 maths tests
Year 1 to Paradise Wildlife Park

Friday 12 May
Year 6 maths test
Parent governor voting deadline 9am

We are now in the month of May and, as usual, we invite parents to share a decade of the Rosary with the children in our lovely Rosary Garden. Later in this newsletter you will find out the classes that are leading this special devotion each day, and this information is also on our website.

The very best of luck to year 5 as they enjoy the first of their two days at Herts Young Mariners Base today. I am sure that they will relish all the outdoor and adventurous activities on offer. It is a brilliant visit.

Finally, our thoughts are with the year 6 and their families as the children embark on a week of SATs next week. This weekend's homework? Plenty of sleep!

We wish all our families an enjoyable Coronation weekend and bank holiday.

Coronation Party

The children enjoyed a special day yesterday as they celebrated the King's coronation. Resplendent in red, white and blue own clothes, the children danced the afternoon away, refreshed with afternoon tea provided by our caterers and our Helping Hands team, the latter of which also provided some lovely mementos and our fabulous DJ.

I am sure that the children will remember the special day that they marked this moment in history.

Healthy Snacks

Children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 are provided with a healthy snack of fruit or vegetables during the day, usually eaten in the morning. Children in Key Stage 2 are allowed to bring in one piece of fruit or vegetables for their morning snack from home. Please do not send children in with other snack items such as cereal bars/ crisps/ biscuits as these do not form part of our whole school philosophy on healthy eating. Any snack items other than fruit or vegetables brought into school may be put away and given back to your child at the end of the day. Thank you for your cooperation.

"Be joyful. Keep the faith. Do the little things."

(St David, words inscribed on the Welsh cross leading the coronation procession)

For those of you who drive your children to school, please:

- **Drive carefully** on the roads surrounding school
- **Park considerably** to our neighbours
- Turn your **engine off**, not leave it running while parked
- Make every effort to walk all or some of the way to school if possible. It's healthy and good for the environment.



A Special Memory

I am thankful to the mum of James Elliott (3S) for informing me of a very special visit.

James was very lucky (and extremely star struck) to meet David Walliams at a book signing of his latest book 'Robodog'. James went to Waterstones bookstore in Piccadilly during the school half term.

James had a lovely chat with David asking him which book he liked writing best and who was his favourite author? Roald Dahl was his favourite, David asked James the same question to which James replied that David was his favourite author followed by Roald Dahl. James was absolutely delighted to have met his TV favourite. A day he will never forget. Inspired by his meeting, James has begun writing his very own book "The War of King Rat" which I will be requesting a signed copy of once published.

Not that I am biased at all, but I think it was a very special honour for David to meet such a wonderful St George's pupil.

Upcoming Dates

Advance warning of some key school dates. The school calendar is constantly updated on the school website, under the parents information section.

May

Thurs 4th	Year 5 to HYMB
Fri 5th	Year 5 to HYMB
Mon 8th	Additional Bank Holiday
Tues 9th	Year 6 Grammar and Spelling Tests
Weds 10th	Year 6 Reading Test
Thurs 11th	Year 6 Maths Test (Papers 1 & 2)
	Year 1 to Paradise Wildlife Park
Fri 12th	Year 6 Maths Test (Paper 3)
Mon 15th	Year 6 school journey (Norfolk)
Thurs 18th	Ascension Day Mass and liturgies
	Year 3 to Tower Bridge and the Thames
Fri 19th	Year 6 return 5.30pm
Tues 23rd	Class photographs
Weds 24th	First Communion Mass in school
Fri 26th	Half term starts

June

Mon 5th	School reopens
Tues 6th	Year 6 football team in Leeds
Thurs 8th	Corpus Christi liturgy and procession
Sun 11th	School Fair
Mon 12th	Year 1 phonics screening begins
Mon 19th	New Parents evening
Tues 20th	New starters in school
	Year 6 to Matilda (Cambridge Theatre)
Mon 26th	Sports Days this week
Thurs 29th	Mass for Ss Peter and Paul

July

Thurs 6th	Year 6 to secondary schools
Fri 7th	school closed - teacher training day
	Year 6 to secondary schools
Tues 11th	Year 6 perform Matilda 2pm, 6:30pm
Weds 12th	Year 6 perform Matilda 6:30pm
	Year 2 to Natural History Museum, Tring
Mon 17th	Debating Club to the Houses of Parliament
Thurs 20th	Leaver's Mass
Fri 21st	School Mass
	School closes for the summer break

Parent Governor

I am delighted to report that we have three nominees for our two vacant parent governor vacancies, and therefore we will need to hold a ballot. Each parent will receive a voting slip and will be eligible to cast two votes. Look out for your voting slips and envelopes over the next couple of days, along with further instructions.

Parents will have next week to cast their votes before the deadline of **Friday 12 May at 9am**. Ballot boxes will be placed at each school entrance or may be posted. A short supporting statement has been prepared by each candidate and these will be emailed to you and put on our website to help you decide who to vote for. Please contact the school office if you require paper copies of the statements.

I am delighted that the three candidates are willing to support the strategic work of the school in this way, and I wish them all the very best of luck.

The Rosary - Come and Join Us

May is the month of the Rosary and we invite parents to come and share a decade of the Rosary with their children at the end of the school day. We will pray this special devotion in our Rosary Garden at the heart of our school.

A rota is available on the school website so that you will know when it is your child's turn: 'news & events > Rosary'. The schedule for next week is:

The Joyful Mysteries

Tues 9 May Finding Jesus in the Temple 4P

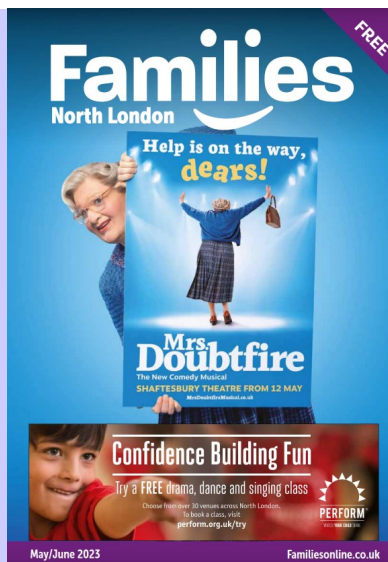
The Sorrowful Mysteries

Weds 10 May The Agony in the Garden 4GC

Thurs 11 May The scourging at the Pillar 5S

Fri 12 May The crowning with thorns 5M

The Rosary takes place at **3.25pm** each day. Please enter the main hall from the junior playground and go through the doors on the right to our Rosary Garden. By starting 5 minutes before the end of the school day, parents should have plenty of time to collect any younger siblings once the Rosary has finished.



Here is the link to the May/June issue of Families magazine. This issue has info on a great STEAM festival in Exhibition Road, and many other great activities for families. A paper copy of this publication used to be distributed. It is now available online.

https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/fnl_160_mj23_digital?fr=sZTYwYjYwMTUyNTY&utm_source=BenchmarkEmail&utm_campaign=Distribution_Points_Mag_Link_May%2fJune_23&utm_medium=email

Citizens Advice Enfield Tenants Forum

Date: May 9th Time: 10am to 12 noon

Venue: **Edmonton Green Library - Community Room 2 on the 1st Floor** 36-44 South Mall London N9 0TN

Citizens Advice Enfield is holding a forum for residents to share their experiences of the housing challenges/issues they are currently facing in both private rented and council owned properties.

There will be-

Information from the Enfield council staff on the type of council support available to help tenants and the support/help that the Citizens Advice Enfield can give.

Information and tips on how to save on energy costs from The HEET project

We would like to hear first-hand the experiences of residents so that we can use your collective voice to change/improve housing policies and services

If you would like to attend this forum please register at Eventbrite;

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tenants-forum-enfield-tickets-619597832797?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Please book your space on the
EASA website

www.enfieldasa.org.uk

9:30am-11:00am

Russet House School,
Autumn Close, Enfield, EN1 4JA

ENFIELD ADVISORY SERVICE FOR AUTISM

EASA Cuppa and Chat

MONTHLY SESSIONS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

2nd Thursday of the month:
Early Years and Primary-aged children

3rd Thursday of the month:
Secondary and Post-16 children & young people

- Meet the EASA team
- Hear about topical issues
- Socialise with other parents
- Friendly & relaxed atmosphere

Limited parking is available on site.
A small donation towards the cost of refreshments is appreciated.



Coronation
celebrations at
school
Wednesday 3 May
2023

Thank you to the
Helping Hands team
for all their hard
work, and the staff
were delighted with
their special
hamper!

