



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

School Newsletter 8

Autumn Term 2024

Thursday 2nd November

Headteacher: Mr P O'Rourke
Deputy Heads: Mrs C McGivern
Mrs S Hukowski
Assistant Head: Mrs L Byfield
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.' There is even a special music merit! The following children have been chosen by their teachers (CM = Class Merit):

Class	Name of children
1GS	Niamh, Anulika
1W	William, Scarlett
2B	Bersin
2K	Jacob, Orla, CM
2DS	Leonardo, Marek
3M	Natalie, Ciaran
3OS	Tristan, Olivia
3S	Sienna, Leo
4A	Oscar, Le Roux
4P	Oliver P, Harrison
4R	Luca, CM
5B	Shay, Nyapollo
5CN	Joshua, Brayden
5S	Freddie, Lily
6C	Tymon, CM
6K	Zehra, CM
6M	Ciaran, CM
Music	Antoinette (5CN) Ugonna (2B)

Please note the provisional dates for our Christmas performance, liturgies, services and nativities are shown in the calendar section of this newsletter today!

St. George's Catholic Primary School,
Gordon Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 0QA
Tel: 020 8363 3729
e-mail: office@st-georges.enfield.sch.uk
web site: www.st-georges.enfield.sch.uk
[@stgeorges_head](https://www.facebook.com/stgeorges_head)

Next Week in School

Friday 3rd November

4P and 4R to Enfield Town Library
Year 5 and 6 Borough Cross Country at Forty Hall
Helping Hands Coffee Morning

Monday 6th November

UK Parliament Week—Visit from Feryal Clark MP
Parent consultations (online) 3:50-6:20pm
Nursery curriculum meeting at 6pm

Tuesday 7th November

Parent consultations (in person) 3:50-6:20pm

Friday 10th November

Year 4 at Church 10:00am
Happy School Bag Collection

We hope that all our families enjoyed the half-term break. Our staff spent some of our inset day on Monday planning engaging and creative lessons for the children. Part of our day was also dedicated to professional development on Autism.

Yesterday, Fr Patrick led Mass and a Liturgy to celebrate All Saints Day. It was the first time Fr Patrick has led Mass at our school and he was very impressed with the responses of the children and was touched by their beautiful singing. We learnt what a Saint is and how we are all called to become a part of the Communion of Saints.

Admissions

If you, a friend or a family member have a child ready to start school next September, applications are now open and all the relevant information is on our school website: 'school information > admission > admissions 2024'.

Flu Vaccine

The school nursing team are due to come into school to deliver the flu vaccine on **Monday 20 November**. All children in reception through to year 6 are eligible for this vaccine. Once again this year, they are offering the flu nasal spray and also the injectable version which does not contain porcine gelatine. A recent letter contained a link to the online eConsent form.

For further information, visit www.saisenfield.co.uk.

"Saints are not 'Supermen' who were born perfect, but rather are ordinary people who follow God with all their heart."

Pope Francis

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

- **Drive carefully** on the roads surrounding school
- **Park considerately** 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.



Class Act

Make Believe Drama School recently led an entertaining 'Class Act' assembly workshops for all classes. Children are now invited to take part in auditions in November, aiming to participate in a spectacular show at the Millfield Theatre in January.

All children who wish to will need to sign up for the auditions. To sign up, parents need to register the children using this QR code below, or by visiting www.makebelievegroup.co.uk/class-act



Children's Week 2024

We need to fundraise for next year's amazing Children's Week. We are holding a **Bonfire Day Disco** and **Crafts Party** on Sunday the **5th of November** in the Parish Centre from 2 – 4 pm .

The cost will be £5 per child an all children from Reception to Year 6 very welcome.

Please email stgeorgeschildrensweek@yahoo.com to register your interest.

Thank you.

Children's Week Team

Dugdale Arts Centre

Enfield Town Park Fireworks
Saturday 4th November 2023 • 5-9pm
 ENFIELD TOWN PARK, CECIL ROAD, EN2 6TJ
Family Entertainment + Food Stalls + Brass Band & MUCH MORE!
 BOOK TICKETS: WWW.DUGDALEARTSCENTRE.CO.UK

Upcoming Dates

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

November

Fri 3rd	4P and 4R to Enfield Town Library
	Helping Hands Coffee morning
Mon 6th	Visit from Feryal Clark MP
	Parent Consultations 4 - 6pm
	Nursery Curriculum Meeting 6pm
Tues 7th	Parent Consultations (4 - 6pm)
Fri 10th	Year 4 at Church 10am
Mon 13th	Year 6 Book Look 9.10 - 9.40am
	Year 1 Book Look 2.30 - 3.30pm
Tues 14th	Year 5 Book Look 9.10 - 9.40am
	Year 2 Book Look 2 - 3.30pm
	Class Act auditions
Weds 15th	Year 4 Book Look 2 - 3.30pm
	TfL workshops (Year 6)
Thurs 16th	Year 3 Book Look 9.15 - 10.45am
Fri 17th	Children in Need 'Odd Socks Day'
Mon 20th	Flu Vaccinations
Thurs 23rd	Image Theatre
Fri 24th	Image Theatre
Weds 29th	Year 2 Carol Service at 9:30am
Thurs 30th	Year 2 Carol Service at 2:45pm
	Advent Spirituality Day

December

Sat 2nd	Helping Hands Christmas Fayre
Mon 4th	Year 6 Advent reconciliation
Tues 5th	Reception Nativity 9.45am
	Year 5 Advent reconciliation
	Year 3 Carol Service 2.45pm
Weds 6th	Reception Nativity 9.45am
Thurs 7th	Year 3 Carol Service 2.45pm
Fri 8th	Nursery Nativity 9.45am
	Year 4 Advent reconciliation
Mon 11th	Year 4A Advent liturgy 9.30am
Tues 12th	Year 1 Christmas liturgy 10am at OLSG
	Christmas lunch
Weds 13th	Year 5 Production 9.30am/ 2pm
Thurs 14th	4P Advent liturgy at 9:30am
	Year 5 Production 2pm
Fri 15th	4R Advent liturgy 9.30am
Mon 18th	Year 6 Carol Service 2pm at Church
Tue 19th	Christmas jumper day
Wed 20th	School closes at 2pm for Christmas

Helping Hands Coffee Morning

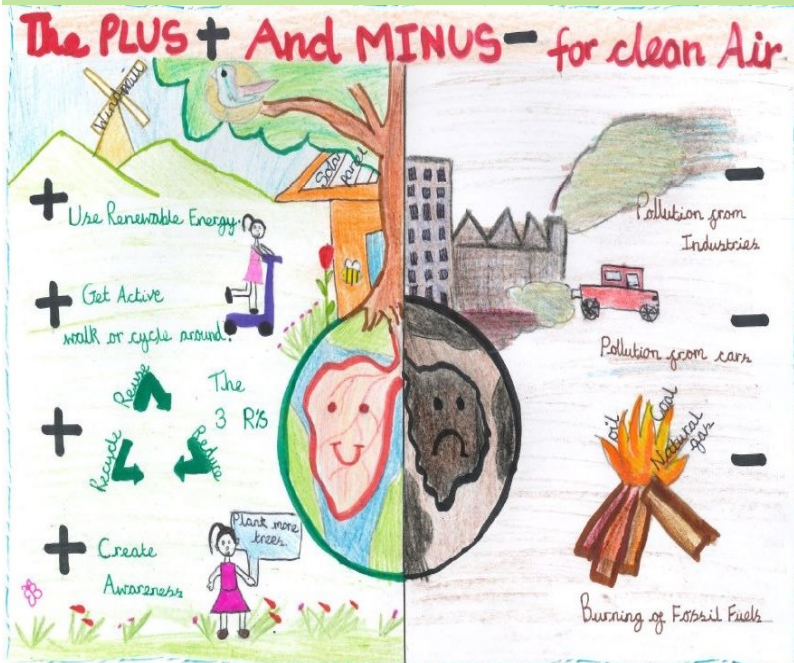
Please come and join the Helping Hands team this Friday morning at 9am for a coffee or tea and some freshly baked cakes. The coffee mornings that the Helpings Hands team organise are a great opportunity for parents to talk and get to know one another. As well as some amazing cakes—I have tested them on a number of occasions myself—there will also be an opportunity to pick up pre-loved items of school uniform. The Coffee morning will take place in the Scout Hut.

Happy School Bag collection

On Friday 10th November, there will be a Happy School Bag collection— please see the flyer enclosed with this week's newsletter for more details. Donations will be collected by the Scout Hut via the Halifax Road entrance. Please note that Helping Hands Team are currently not accepting any kind donations of school uniform and uniform cannot be accepted by Happy School Bag either.

Asthma and Lung UK Charity

In September, the Green Team helped to launch a poster competition to support the work of the Asthma and Lung UK charity. The Green Team chose to support the work of this charity as it aligned to the work they are doing to promote clean air. We were overwhelmed with the amount and quality of the entries— it really showed how well the children have responded to Pope Francis' call to Care for our Common Home. I am delighted to announce that two of our children won the competition! Congratulations to Valentina in 4A and Tiana in 5S for their wonderful posters. Their work will be included in the school resource pack that the charity will use in schools all across the UK.



Tiana—5S

Catholic Social Teaching

At the end of the last half-term, the children focused on the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Care of Creation. The children learnt that the earth and all it contains has been created by God. They also learnt that it is a gift given to all for the good of all. The resources of the earth are not infinite and the children learnt how important it is to look after God's creation for now and for future generations. As Stewards of Creation, we have a special role to play. Through the children's lessons on this area and a special Liturgy where all children responded to our whole-school mission, they learnt how the way in which we care for the earth is another sign of how we are Christians, how we show God's love in the world and put our love into action.

'The world is a beautiful place, so we should take care of it. I will help by throwing away any rubbish and not wasting paper. I will do this because God has sent us all to look after this beautiful world.' (Dylan, 5S)

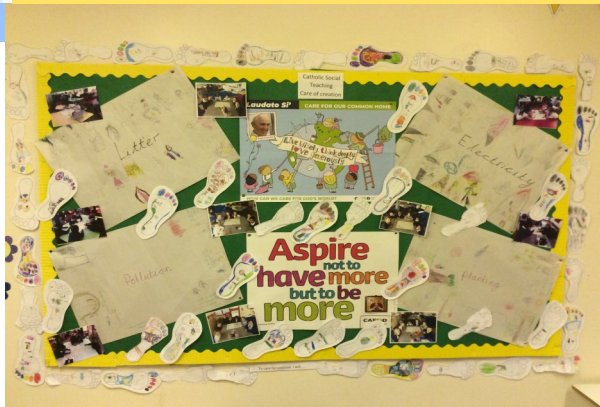


Thank you to Fr. Patrick for leading our Mass and Liturgy for All Saints Day.



Valentina—4A

Please find attached to this newsletter an **RE Newsletter** for Autumn term 2. This will provide information on what your child will be learning about in their RE lessons this term and how you can support them at home.



Year 1's wonderful response to our Catholic Social Teaching lesson on Care of Creation.

Month of the Holy Souls

During the month of November, we will have a book of Remembrance in our school oratory. We invite you to send in a picture and name of your dearly departed loved ones to be included in our special book. Please place your photo in an envelope addressed to Mrs McGivern. Our thoughts are with all of those in our school community who have lost a loved one.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Blue Peter Badge

A huge congratulations to Ethan in 5CN for receiving his SILVER Blue Peter Badge! We are very proud of you.

'I raised £618.08 for the Alzheimer's Society and their Forget-Me-Not Appeal. I raised the money by selling forget-me-not flowers at school and at church over 2 years. I did this because my Great-Granny has dementia and I don't want anyone else to face this too.'

