

Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

19th April 2024

Welcome back to the Summer term. Whilst we have been away, the KS2 garden has flourished and is now looking truly wonderful. The cherry trees are in full blossom and the wild meadow is looking amazing, perhaps even slightly too 'wild'.

The space now becomes a haven and an amazing space for all sorts of learning. Children are drawing, painting, using IT and writing using the garden as inspiration. Meanwhile, in the KS1 garden, many of the herbs and vegetables are coming into harvest and children are using them in cooking classes.

The Catholic Life of the School

Whilst we look forward to the coming term, I want to remember the events of the final week in school - Holy Week. One of the main themes in education continues to be experiential learning. This suggests that children learn better when they have hands-on, physical experience of the subjects they are learning about.

This is why we chose to bring a donkey into school to help us re-enact the events of Palm Sunday. It is easier to re-cap that event when the children have smelt, touched seen a donkey. I think it was a wonderful moment in school and I'm sure it was reflected in the quality of the children's work.

Teachers also took the opportunity to bring to life those events of the Last Supper with teachers and pupils recalling Jesus' humility as he washed the feet of the disciples.



The Wednesday word this week is TRUST

"Put your trust in Jesus, He will fill your plans with meaning and joy. Open your hearts trustfully to Jesus!" St Pope John Paul II

Family Prayer Group

Family Prayer group begins next Friday at 8.40am in the MPR. All are welcome.

The Big Lent Walk

Over the holidays, whilst some of us were relaxing, Mrs Garaialde was walking a large section of the 'Camino de Santiago' to raise even more money for CAFOD and the Big Lent Walk.

Thank you so much to her and all of the families who supported this worthy cause!



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THE BIG LENT WALK: SCHOOLS

Raised **£640** Target **£500**

Distance travelled **0 km** Target **200 km**

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RUN KIDS RUN

Well done to the 98 children who have so far signed up to the Run Battersea event on 28th April.

WE STILL NEED YOU! We need more children to sign up and run to raise funds for school.

You can find all the information you need about Run Battersea via this link: <https://runkidsrun.org/bat>

This is the fundraising link for Run Sacred Heart Run: <https://superkind.org/campaign/run-sacred-heart-run>

We are looking for volunteers for Run Battersea to:

Man the school registration desk from 2:00 – 3:00pm. Tick names from the list and hand out running bibs for each runner.

And we need helpers to help with Set-up, Marshalling, First Aid and Clear-up. Please email the school office if you can help on the day.

This event raises over £5000 for the school. Last year it contributed towards the refurbishment and establishment of the KS1 Garden and playground.

Parents Evening

A reminder to parents to sign face to face or virtually to speak to their children's teachers on the Wednesday 24th April. We look forward to seeing you. Please remember that school closes early at 1.30pm to allow teachers to manage the exercise in one evening. There are spaces to see Mrs Chowdhury as well.

History Learning in Year 4: The Anglo Saxons

The Year 4 Classes started their new history unit "Who were the Anglo Saxons?" with a very creative lesson about why they decided to invade.

Hopefully the parents of 4M will be able to quiz their children about their learning and discover that they can list all the "push and pull" factors!

Y4 parents, ask your children, "How do these photos relate to the invasion?"

Trip to RHS Wisley Surrey

The Eco Club had a fantastic opportunity to attend RHS Wisley, and take part in a growing workshop. The children were able to explore the gardens using all their senses to help identify herbs, plants and trees. They visited the world food garden and different biomes within the impressive glass houses.

A brilliant day out and thanks very much for those who volunteered their time to make it happen.



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RUN BATTERSEA RUN!

Sunday 28th April 2024

RACE DAY INFORMATION

Venue:

- Battersea Park Millennium Arena, Carriage Dr E, London SW11 4NJ



Timings:

Give yourself plenty of time and arrive at least 30mins before your race starts to register at your school desk and collect your running bib.

Registration Opens:	2:00pm
Welcome address:	2:15pm
Collective Warm-up:	2:25pm

- After the collective warm-up, children will be split into year groups and the race starts will be staggered every 15 minutes.
- Nursery and Reception will be directed to the start line with their parents/carers, while the other year groups will be directed to a colour group for games.
- 5min before the start of the race, each group will be called to the start line.

Nursery/Reception start:	2:30pm	1km with parents
Years 1-2 start:	2:45pm	2km with or without parents
Years 3-4 start:	3:00pm	2km with or without parents
Years 5-6 start:	3:15pm	2km with or without parents
Races finish/ event closes:	3:30pm	
Venue Closes:	4:00pm	

Please note, timings or races may change slightly depending on number of runners.

Course Map:



On arrival:

Registration desks are behind the entrance gates.

- Each school will have its own registration desk manned by a school staff.
- Confirm your attendance, collect your running bib.
- Affix the bib to the front of the running shirt with the safety pins provided.
- Proceed through to the warm-up area on the field.

Summer Term Key Dates

Date	Event
15 th April	Inset day - School closed (Hilary House open)
16 th April	First day back of the summer term
16 th April	National Offer Day for Reception places 2024
16 th April	Eco Club trip to Wisley
17 th April	Year 1 Celebration of the Word 9.15am in the hall. Parents welcome
18 th April	Online Safety workshops for KS2 Parent workshop 2.30pm in the school hall
24 th April	Parents' Evening – School closes at 1.30pm (Hilary House remains open)
26 th April	Prayer Group starts for the summer term
28th April Sunday	Run Battersea charity event in the park
1 st May	EYFS Celebration of the Word 9.15am. Parents welcome
6 th May	Bank Holiday
8 th May	Y3 join parish mass at Sacred Heart Church
9 th May	Ascension Day mass Y2-6
10 th May	Y4 Wimbledon Stadium tour and workshop
13 th – 17 th May	KS2 SATS WEEK
17 th May	Hilary House closed (training)
22 nd May	Y4 join parish mass at Sacred Heart Church
24 th May	Feast of Mary the Helper Mass Y2-6
27 th – 31 st May	Half term
3 rd June	Inset Day – School closed
4 th – 14 th June	Y4 Multiplication Check
5 th June	Y5 join parish mass at Sacred Heart Church
7 th June	Feast of Sacred Heart Mass at church Y2-6
10 th -14 th June	Y1 Phonic Check
12 th June	Y6 to join parish mass at Sacred Heart Church
13 th June	Dad's (and uncles and Grandads) Reading Breakfast 9.15am
19 th June	Y2 to join parish mass at Sacred Heart Church
21 st June	Multicultural Evening
26 th June	EYFS Welcome Meeting for September 2024 6pm in the hall
28 th June	Y5 Horniman Museum
2 nd July	Y2 trip to Wisley
3 rd July	Y4 trip to Wisley
9 th July	Y3/4 Sports Day at the Latchmere - morning
9 th July	Y5/6 Sports Day at the Latchmere – afternoon
11 th July	EYFS end of year service for all children and parents 9.30am
16 th July	Reception and KS1 Sports Day - morning
17 th July	Y6 performance (time TBC)
22 nd July	Y6 Leavers mass and party 4.00 – 7.00pm
23 rd July	Y6 leave and clapping out ceremony at 3pm
24 th July	Last day - School closes at 1.30pm