## **ENGLISH MARTYRS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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## **NEWSLETTER**

Friday 21st June 2024

Dear parents and carers

Our week started with our worship celebration on Monday when we focused on the **YEAR OF PRAY-ER** and how important this aspect of Christian life is for us all.





This week we also marked **REFUGEE WEEK**. Children reflected on what it means to have to leave your country of birth and the challenges migrants face as they try to settle in a new country.

On Tuesday one or our Year 6 classes took part in the pilgrimage trip to **Aylesford Priory** where they took part in celebrations led by **Mission Together** On Thursday five classes had their third session of **Cricket coaching** and on Friday Class 4G led our assembly in which they shared with children and parents different themes from what they are learning about this term.

We now look forward to next week which is our Summer Term **Assessment week**. Children will be working on formal assessment tests to show how much progress they have made so far this year. There are also a number of trips planned for different classes. Letters with more information have been sent to parents this week.

On a final note, we are being told that we are expecting **hot weather** for the first three days of next week. Everyone is reminded of the need to drink water to stay hydrated and to try to stay in cool places and in the shade particularly vulnerable people, children and the elderly.

Thank you and have a good weekend.

#### **CORE VALUE - SUMMER TERM 2**

Our Summer 2 core value is **RESPONSIBILITY**. This is about being able to do the things you are expected to do and accept the consequences for your actions. **In what ways can** 

you show you are being a responsible person?



### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



The following are some of the important dates to remember:

Monday 24th June ASSESSMENT WEEK

#### **Tuesday 25th June**

Class 6M - Trip - PE
Class 6T - BMX activity trip
Year 5 Girls visiting Notre Dame
Secondary school

Wednesday 26th June Class 6T - BMX Activity trip

Friday 28th June at 9.05 am

**Class Assembly - Reception class** 

Parents of children in Reception
Class are invited to attend in
Building 1

### WORSHIP TOGETHER - ASPIRE TOGETHER - EXCEL TOGETHER













#### ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES THIS WEEK

| YEAR GROUP | ATTENDANCE |
|------------|------------|
| Reception  | 92.8%      |
| Year 1     | 95.6%      |
| Year 2     | 94%        |
| Year 3     | 98.9%      |
| Year 4     | 98.1%      |
| Year 5     | 96.1%      |
| Year 6     | 97.8%      |

Well done to
Year 3 pupils

who registered the highest attendance percentage - 100% attendance

Every week our Mid-day meals supervisors award starts to pupils who show our school values during lunchtime breaks.

The following are the names of our Star children for this week.



#### **Nursery:**

Declan, Omari

#### Reception:

Fatimah, Kian

Year 1:

Elkan, Drake

Year 2:

Isabella, Destiny

Year 3:

Abduraheem, Simone

Year 4:

Clarice, Steven

Year 5:

Kareem, Radin

Year 6:

Eliezer, Feyikemi, Mihret





#### **ONLINE SAFETY**

Nowadays our children are exposed to a number of social media platforms that are not appropriate for their age. Please have a look at the table below which shows the age groups for some of the most popular apps. Children below the age shown in red should not be using any of the apps shown in the same column of the table below. Please check what your children are accessing on laptops or mobile phones in order to ensure they are always safe online and away from any potential danger.

| AGE RESTRICTIONS |          |                               |  |
|------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--|
| ON SOCIAL MEDIA  |          |                               |  |
| 13               | 16       | 18                            |  |
| FACEBOOK         |          | YOUTUBE                       |  |
| INSTAGRAM        | WHATSAPP | ТІК ТОК                       |  |
| SNAPCHAT         |          | You Tube & TikTok             |  |
| f©&              |          | (13 with Parental<br>Consent) |  |



## FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

#### **CLASS 1L**

In 1L this week, we have been learning about positional language in maths. We used positional language such as 'forwards, backwards, right and left', to keep directions to our learning partners.

In English, we have been exploring different sentence types and gathering **facts** 



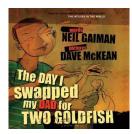
about octopuses using subheadings. All our writing this week has been inspired by our class text 'Lo and the Octopus.'

In PSHE, we have been learning about how to look after ourselves.



#### CLASS 3C

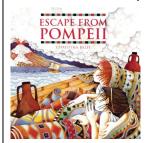
3C have been very busy this half term. In Writing, we read the book 'The Day I Swapped My Dad For Two Goldfish' by Neil Gaiman. We then did lots of work inspired by the story including writing diary entries in role as



characters from the story and our own version of the story titled The Day I Swapped My Sister For Two Goldfish. We have now moved on reading the beautiful story of the **'Escape From Pompeii'** by Christina Balit

In Geography, we have been busy learning about the structure of the Earth and volcanoes. We learnt that the Earth is made up of the crust, the mantle, the outer core and the inner core. We also learnt about the structure inside a volcano and why some people choose to live near volcanoes.

We have also been very lucky and have started having a



weekly cricket session lead by a coach from Surrey County Cricket Club who based at The Oval not too far from our school. So far, we have been working on our throwing, batting and bowling skills.

#### **CLASS 2J**

In 2J, we have been very full on and busy. In maths, we have been revising what we know about **2D** shapes, discussing lines of symmetry and right angles. In English, we have been re-telling our own versions of the popular tale **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**. In RE, we have been learning about the **first Christians** and how we can follow



in their footsteps. In geography, we have been learning about **physical and human features** that we can find at the seaside.

In science, we have been learning about

germs and bacteria, and most importantly, how we can stop these spreading

by killing them. We conducted an experiment using UV light to see how easily germs can spread from hand to hand. We

also conducted an experiment using pepper and washing up liquid to see the effects that washing up liquid has on dirt. The results were amazing!

We are preparing for our end **of key-stage 1 assessments** next week where we will be sitting reading and maths papers. Parents please help us to study over the weekend so that we feel confident and ready!





## FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BAKING**







The children in after school club had fun making Fudge



# Learn STEM, Coding & Robotics

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Classes

Fun activities and projects to develop your child's STEM and coding skills to build games, robots and websites. For ages 7 to 18 years old.

| LOCATION             | DAY        | TIME               |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Canada Water Library | Mondays    | 6:15 to 7:15pm     |
| Walworth Library     | Tuesdays   | 6:15 to 7:15pm     |
| Peckham Library      | Wednesdays | 6:15 to 7:15pm     |
| Camberwell Library   | Thursdays  | 6:15 to 7:15pm     |
| Una Marson Library   | Saturdays  | 11:00am to 12:00pm |

Please visit our website for term dates

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Affordable &
Discounted
Places

| CLASS            | DAY       | TIME           |
|------------------|-----------|----------------|
| HTML/CSS         | Tuesdays  | 6:15 to 7:15pm |
| Game Design      | Tuesdays  | 6:15 to 7:15pm |
| Python           | Thursdays | 6:15 to 7:15pm |
| Game Development | Thursdays | 6:15 to 7:15pm |

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#### Dear Parent/Guardian.

Surrey Cricket Foundation, England Cricket Board and Southwark Council would like to offer your Child an opportunity to be a part of a regular cricket programme this summer at Burgess Park - All Stars & Dynamos offers children the chance to learn new skills, make new friends, connect communities and is fully funded by Surrey Cricket Foundation & supported by Southwark Council and as such will be <a href="#FREE">FREE</a> to all participants. Important — Use the DISCOUNT PROMO CODE from the table below.

The All Stars Cricket is an entry level national programme aimed at 5–8 year olds. The sessions run every Thursday 10:00am – 11:00am at Burgess Park, SE5 ORJ for 4 weeks from 1\* August until 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Each child signed up for All Stars will receive a <u>personalised t-shirt</u>

The Dynamos Cricket is aimed at 9–11 year olds. The sessions run every Thursday 11:15am-12:15pm at Burgess Park, SE5 ORJ for 4 weeks from 1<sup>st</sup> August until 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Each child signed up for Dynamos will receive a <u>personalised t-shirt</u>.

To register click one of the links below and use the DISCOUNT PROMO CODE when booking your place.

It is important you do not share this link as there are only a select number of places available.

| All Stars   | Dynamos   |
|---|---|
| Burgess Park<br>1 <sup>st</sup> August -22 <sup>nd</sup> August   10:00am-11:00am | Burgess Park<br>1 <sup>st</sup> August -22 <sup>nd</sup> August   11:15am-12:15pm |
| Sign-up- <u>GIRLS</u>   | Sign-up-GIRLS   |
| Sign-up-BOYS  | Sign-up-BOYS  |
| All Stars PROMO CODE: JZMPN   | Dynamos PROMO CODE: GMUTF   |

Yours Sincerely,

Alex Hughes - allstars@surreycricket.com / 07756 269946

Surrey Cricket Foundation, Kia Oval, London, SE11 555









# The Alpaca Post **VCF Education News**

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## News from The Farm

Summer Term 2 has been an exciting period for the Education Team. We hosted Young Farmers Week, with children attending throughout the May half-term week. The children experienced sheep shearing, mucking out and many animal cuddles

Our Community Garden is in full bloom and it has been wonderful to welcome schools in for workshops including Plant Life, Land to Lunchbox and Meet the Animals.

Afterschool Club was a great success, our young people graduated with flying colours. The group improved recycling at The Farm and educated our visitors on the importance, Look out for our new recycling station and their hard work on our site.

We also attended Lambeth Country Show. We loved seeing many familiar faces at our biggest Mobile Farm event of the year and sharing our work with many new visitors too!



A Young Farmer meeting our Polish Chicken

### **Upcoming Events**



their ideas at Afterschool Club

Take a look at our range of workshops, that are designed specifically to complement your syllabus and can be tailored to any key stage. Our full list of workshops are here.

Alternatively, we can bring The Farm to you! If you are interested in a Mobile Farm please take a look at our website.

The next term of Afterschool Club begins Thursday the 20th of June for 5 weeks. For more information please see our website.

We are also celebrating Father's Day at The Farm, please see our website for more information on this.

Find out more about us on our website Vauxhallcityfarm.org To sign-up to our workshops or learn more about our programmes email us.