

# Our Lady and Saint George's Catholic Primary & Nursery School

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## Newsletter 9

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are almost at the end of a busy half term with just one more school week to go. School finishes on Friday 9th February at the usual time and the new school half term starts again on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**.

### Candlemas Celebration Assembly

Today, we celebrated the feast of Candlemas with special celebration assemblies. Father Michael visited both sites to talk to the children about the significance of Candlemas and the story of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. We are reminded that Jesus brings light and hope to our lives, particularly during difficult times. Father Michael carefully blessed candles which pupils took home to use when praying with their families.



### Safer Internet Day Workshops

This week our children from Years 1 - 6 took part in Online Behaviour Workshops presented by Paige and Katrina from 'Bigfoot'. Bigfoot's cyber workshops encourage children to consider how we use the internet and smart technology, exploring the implications on our safety and well being, to ourselves and others. The workshops were very informative and the children engaged well.

### Reminder - Parents Meeting - Safer Internet Day- Tuesday 6th February

All parents are invited to attend an information meeting at 3.30pm in our Upper Site hall on Safer Internet Day, 6th February (Tuesday). Please try to make every effort to come along as the meeting will be beneficial for all parents .

### Bikeability

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in 'Bikeability' training last week. They really enjoyed the experience of riding safely on the roads near the school after their initial lessons in the playground. They said how much more confident the course had made them feel. Some photos can be seen on our Instagram page if you are following us Instagram @olsgcatholicprimary.

### Year 3 Visit William Morris & Lloyd Park

Last week our Year 3 went on a local visit to The William Morris Gallery in Lloyd Park. William Morris was the most influential British designer of the nineteenth century and the collections at the Gallery include his famous woven and printed textiles, embroideries, ceramics, stained glass, furniture, wallpaper and books. We look forward to seeing the beautiful art work they created.

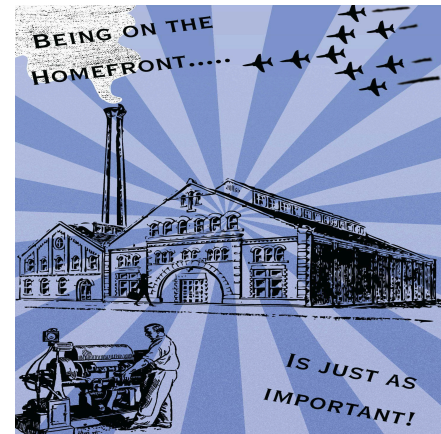
### Commissioning of Pupil voice groups

On Friday 26th January, our Pupil Chaplains and new RE Ambassadors were recognised at a special commissioning service. Father Michael led the commissioning service by blessing and awarding badges to the pupils. Together we prayed for these pupil representatives, as they promised to work hard as Ambassadors of RE in their classes and by supporting the wonderful prayer life of our school.



## Year 6 News

Year 6 visited the Media suite at Holy Family this week. They have been studying World War 2 and looking at propaganda posters. They used a digital creation programme to create their own war time propaganda posters. They are looking forward to seeing their finished work when they are printed by the Holy Family School staff.



## Free School Meal Holiday Vouchers

If you have applied for and been granted Free School Meals, if your child is eligible for 3-4 year olds Early Years Pupil Premium Payment and any 2 year old eligible for a Free Early Education Entitlement (FEEE) place you will receive a voucher worth £15 during half term from Edenred.

## HCPT group 161 - Family Bingo night - Friday 9th February

HCPT or Hosanna House and Children's Pilgrimage Trust is a United Kingdom based charity which travels with disabled and disadvantaged children and adults on pilgrimage to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, in Lourdes, France. We are very lucky to have a very active group in our parish, HCPT Group 161 who will be travelling there at Easter.

The group are holding the first of this year's fundraising events to support their pilgrimage, a family bingo night which takes place on **Friday 9th February 2024 at our Upper Site.**



**Doors open at 7pm** for **Eyes Down at 7:30pm.**

**Entry is free** ----- **3 books for £6 - 6 books for £10**

There will be our usual super raffle and every first line and house wins a PRIZE!

**Bring your own drinks, nibbles, and as many family and friends as you can muster!**

**Please come along and support this event.**

## PTFA News

### Friday 9th February - Non-Uniform Day

Next Friday is a non uniform day. If children would like to come in non-uniform, please bring £1

### Friday 23rd February - Non-Uniform Day and Upper site Disco

Friday 23rd is also a non-uniform day. If children would like to come in non-uniform, please bring cakes, sweets, chocolate or crisps for the disco.

## Class Assemblies

Please check below for your child's class assembly and make a note in your diary. All parents/carers are welcome.

| Class                          | Date                       |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Wisdom                         | 29th February 2024 @2.15pm |
| Resilience                     | 14th March 2024 @ 2.15 pm  |
| Charity                        | 21st March 2024 @ 2.15pm   |
| Faith                          | 25th April 2024@ 2.15pm    |
| Truth                          | 2nd May 2024 @ 2.15pm      |
| Generosity                     | 9th May 2024 @ 2.15pm      |
| Gratitude                      | 16th May 2024 @ 2.15pm     |
| Compassion                     | 23rd May 2024 @2.15pm      |
| Hope                           | 13th June 2024 @ 2.15pm    |
| Honesty                        | 20th June 2024@ 2.15pm     |
| Curiosity End of year assembly | 4th July 2024 @ 2.15pm     |

## Eat Them to Defeat Them

Eat Them To Defeat Them was a radical innovative national advertising campaign that aimed to inspire kids to eat more healthily and help tackle rising childhood obesity: The vegetables are taking over the world and in order to defeat them...the kids need to get eating them!

### LET'S GET READY TO RUMBLE

Eat Them to Defeat Them returns on TV from 17th February and in schools from 19th February.

## School Nurse Drop-in Sessions

The School Nurse drop in sessions takes place on the 2nd Thursday of every month. The next drop in session is on **8th February 2024** between 10am- 11am. If you would like to see the school nurse, parents must book an appointment in advance via the school office or contact the School Nurse Teams' Single Point of Access on: 0300 033 620 or email: [thgpcg.wf0-19spa1@nhs.net](mailto:thgpcg.wf0-19spa1@nhs.net).

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### OLSG Word of The Lord

#### Prayer

Lord our God, help us find the path that we may walk with confidence  
because you are our Father.

Banish all thoughts that try to depress us. Let your Spirit drive them away.

May our hearts become quiet before you, because you,  
the Almighty, guide everything for the good of people on earth.

**Amen**



## Prayer Room Content

### Beatrice (Class Honesty)

Dear God

Thank you for the greatest life ever. **Amen!**

### Redet (Class Resilience)

Dear Beloved Son of God,

Thank you for allowing me to wake up each day to see this beautiful, wonderful world that you have created.

**Amen.**

### Hattie (Class Honesty)

Dear God,

We pray for countries suffering in war. Bless them O lord.

We pray for slavery and sacrifices people have made. Bless them O Lord.

We pray for the blind, dumb, deaf and disabled. Bless them O Lord.

Help us to understand we are lucky for the things we get and that children in the world are suffering.

**Amen.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

### FEBRUARY 2024

**Monday 5th February** - Yr 2 -Generosity Trip to Meridian One Community Garden

**Tuesday 6th February** - Year 4 Trip to British Museum  
- Safer Internet Day - Parents meeting 3:30pm - Upper Site

**Friday 9th February** - Non Uniform Day  
HCPT Community Bingo Night US 7pm  
School closes for half term at normal time

**Monday 19th February** - Return to School

**Wednesday 21st February** - Honesty to visit Chingford CoE

**Friday 23rd February** - Upper Site Disco  
Non Uniform Day (Donations of sweets, cake, chocolate)

**Thursday 29th February** - Wisdom Class Assembly 2.15pm - Upper Site

### Half Term - 12th - 16th February 2024

### MARCH 2024

**Friday 1st March** - St David's Day Children in St David's House  
(Wear Something Yellow)

**Friday 1st March** - National Secondary School offer Day

**Wednesday 6th March** - Resilience trip to Roman Amphitheatre

**Friday 8th March** - Truth trip to Roman Amphitheatre

**Sunday 10th March** - Family Mass at OLSG church at 10.00am

**Thursday 14th March** - Resilience Class Assembly 2.15pm - Upper Site

**Monday 18th March** - Year 3 trip to LSO

**Thursday 21st March** - Charity Class Assembly 2.15pm - Upper Site

**Thursday 28th March** - Last day of Spring Term (finish 1 hour early)





# UPCOMING EVENTS | 2024

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## SPILL THE TEA MORNING

8:40-10:00 am

All are welcome. Please see posters or Google Classroom for more details.

Lower site.

Cake/biscuit donations welcome.



## BINGO NIGHT

All are welcome; more information to follow.

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## NON-UNIFORM DAY

Children need to bring in a £1 donation - all money goes towards the disco.



## NON-UNIFORM DAY

Children need to bring in cakes, sweets, chocolates, etc - all donations go towards the disco.

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## UPPER SITE DISCO

3:30-5:30 pm

Tickets to be bought in advance.

All upper site children are invited.

Look out for posters with more info/details.



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