



*We show our love for God, in the way we treat each other.  
Together we follow Jesus, by learning, and sharing our gifts.*

## **SS Peter & Paul's Catholic Primary School**



**NEWSLETTER Issue 15**  
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### **UNICEF article of the month: Article 12**

**Every child has the right to say what they think in all matters affecting them, and to have their views taken seriously.**

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*It has certainly been a very busy week at SSPP. The school council attended a meeting at the Town Hall, as part of an External Scrutiny Panel event. They questioned Redbridge councillors about parks and libraries and met with the Mayor in her parlour. We also had representatives from our Liturgy Team at the Holocaust Memorial event in Valentines Park. The children were moved by stories, told by survivors of genocide. As a Rights Respecting school, all our children value their right to have a voice and to be heard.*

*We have now launched Air Pollution Week; the children have been using scientific equipment to test the air outside school; we will share the results when they have been collated. I met with the Leader of the Redbridge Council last week, at the Town Hall and discussed the serious concerns we have regarding the traffic outside the school and in the surrounding streets. I will hopefully be in a position to provide you with some information in the next few weeks.*

*Next week is mental health awareness week please check the website for details of all the activities. The link to the parent questionnaire has now been emailed out to all parents and carers, I would be grateful if you could complete this in order to help the school support all children with their well-being. I look forward to seeing you at 'Armchair Yoga' and the Time to Talk coffee morning, next week.*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

*God bless.*

*Mrs S Johnson*  
*Headteacher*

## HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

The Holocaust Memorial Day commemorative held at Valentines Park in Ilford at 11am on Monday 28 January had the theme of 'Torn from Home', with the event also marking the 25th anniversary of the Genocide in Rwanda, which started in April 1994. It was a moving service where members of our local community marked the occasion with moving speeches. Many children from local Redbridge schools read out accounts from children during the atrocities reminding the younger people in the audience that they have the power to make sure events such as the holocaust never happen again. Four member of our Liturgy team were lucky enough to attend the service and they really enjoyed learning about the Holocaust and enjoyed listening to a Jewish prayer for the lives lost. They were reminded that we must always show kindness to each other.



## External Scrutiny Panel Event

The school council sit alongside Redbridge councillors, in the Town Hall chambers, finding out how decisions are made regarding parks, libraries and sports facilities.



## GOSPEL REFLECTION

Luke 1:1-4

In last week's Gospel, we hear about Jesus teaching in the synagogue. He reads a passage from the Scriptures which is about himself. It says that he has come to bring good news to people who are poor. Good news can mean different things to different people. We are all God's children and so we should all have the chance to live in a world of peace, dignity and fairness. This is the good news of Jesus.

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, you call each and every one of us to proclaim your good news to people who are poor, hungry, sad, lonely, bullied, scared, or weary. May we do all that we can to answer that call. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



## HEALTHY LUNCHES

We are still concerned about children's packed lunches and the amount of sugar they contain, such as biscuits, chocolate, cakes etc. The children will be encouraged to eat the healthy options, we will ensure any uneaten packed lunch is put back in the lunch box and sent home

## ASSEMBLY AND MASS TIMETABLE

Refreshments will be available before class assemblies from 8.55am. Volunteers always needed to help escort the children to church, please give your name to the office if available.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb 9am	Armchair Yoga for parents, grandparents etc
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb 9.05am	2B class assembly
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Armchair Yoga for parents ,grandparents etc
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> 9.45am	Time to Talk Coffee morning in the school hall.
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 9.30	Y3 Class mass SSPP Church
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	EYFS coffee morning 9am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2.30pm	Y2 Sats meeting for parents and carers
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School discos Reception and KS1 3.30-5.00pm KS2 5.30-7.00pm

## ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance last week was: 94.58%

The class winner for the best attendance last week was: 4M with 99.%

The class with the best punctuality was: RS with 1 late mark

The class which needs to improve most: RA for attendance of 84%  
and Class 1K with 10 late marks.



If your child is sick please phone the office by 9.30am or the absence will be unauthorised, also remember to send in a letter to the class teacher to explain the nature of the absence. Please avoid taking your child to medical appointments in school time, unless it is an emergency, in which case you must provide a copy of the appointment letter or card.

## STAR PUPIL AWARDS



EYFS		KS1		KS2	
RA	Zion	1B	Mya	3D	Daniel
RS	Hope	1K	Jeremiah	3I	Gurjot
		2B	Amelia	4M	
		2S	Elizabeth	4S	Nidhi
				5B	Ishan
				5R	Aiden
				6P	Riya
				6R	

*Congratulations to all our Star Pupils!*