



SSPP School News

9th October 2020



**A HEALTHY MIND
IS THE GREATEST
TREASURE TO FIND**



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcome a new addition to the SS Peter and Paul's community, a wonderful statue of our lady, as seen on the first page of this newsletter. The beautiful wooden statue of the 'Virgin in Prayer' was a special gift from Father Adrian Graffy, Parish Priest of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park.

Father Adrian, a past pupil of SSPP, wanted Our Lady to have a special home, where she would inspire children as they grow in faith. We are very grateful to Father Adrian for this special gift; as we pray the rosary to Mary this month, we will pray for Father Adrian and the parish community in Gidea Park.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Macmillan cake competition, the raffle ticket sale raised £492; congratulations to Joanna in 1M and Chidi in 3H who were the lucky winners of the amazing 'Cake Box' cakes. Thank you also to the staff for baking cakes and contributing to such a worthy cause. We will not let the Coronavirus stop us at SSPP supporting charities and looking after others, we just find more creative ways of doing so!

I would like to thank parents and carers for their responsible attitude to the new safety measures at SSPP, especially with the wearing of masks. The entry to school in the morning is very civilized; children and adults are given enough space to maintain a social distance. May I just remind you that as soon as you have dropped your child you vacate the school site and do not join the line again to talk to other parents. Please remember to:

COVER FACE and MAKE SPACE!

It is very encouraging to see the children making good use of the extra space they have available to them at lunchtime, boys and girls have discovered the pleasure of long rope skipping, complete with all the rhymes; well done Y6!

Thank you to the parents who have completed the mental health and well-being survey; the more information we gather regarding our community's experiences during lockdown, the more support we can provide for the children.

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Our theme for Mental Health Day this year (10th October) is 'positivity' which is so important for well-being. I pray you all have positivity in your lives and good things to look forward to. Wishing you all a restful weekend.

God Bless.

S. Johnson, Headteacher

Headteacher

Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher

Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9th October

World mental Health Day

21st October

Flu immunisations

23rd October

Last day

26th-30th October HALF TERM

31st October

Deadline for Secondary School applications

4th November School Closed

Parent consultations

LINKS

School Website:

<https://www.sspeterandpauls.redbridge.sch.uk/>

School Blogs:

<https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/>

UNICEF Article 24

Every child has the right to the best possible health.

Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Gospel Reflection Matthew 22:1-14

In Sunday's reading Jesus tells us another parable to explain what the kingdom of heaven is like.

A king, who prepared a wedding feast for his son, was disappointed when the invited guests did not attend. He asked his servants to gather all the people they could find, good and bad alike; to fill the wedding hall with people. However, the King was not happy with the how the people presented themselves. Jesus said "Many are invited, but few are chosen."



We are all invited by God to enter into the kingdom of Heaven. It is a place where everyone is welcome. But we have to be ready to go. We can listen to God's word and try to follow what God asks us to do in our lives. God asks us to be kind, to be welcoming and invite others to share in what we have. By answering God's invitation and loving our neighbour, we can help to reflect God's kingdom here on earth. We will help other people to see that we care for everyone, no matter who they are or where they come from, and the world will become a better, fairer place for all people to live.

Prayer for the week

God our Father, you invite us to follow in your ways and enter into your kingdom. May we answer your call willingly and say yes to your invitation to be with you, by living lives of sharing, kindness, respect and love. Amen.

Star Pupil Awards

N	Mykell, Ezhilan
RS	Amrit
RM	Katie
1K	Kunj
1M	Anax
2B	Aniela
2P	Vandana
3H	Ismaeel
3I	Naomi
4S	Talya
4W	Rutvi
5B	Emily
5S	Steve
6B	Alyssia
6R	Imogen

Attendance w/e 9th October 97%

Class	% (Target 95.5%) Class attendance percentages since the 4 th September 2020 Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%
RS	99.0%
RM	99%
1K	95.0%
1M	99%
2B	100%
2P	96%%
3H	96%%
3I	99%
4S	97%
4W	94%
5B	95.0%
5S	96%
6B	99%
6R	*****100%*****



Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed or if additional people are collecting your child.

School Games Values Certificates

Congratulations to Sarah 1K, Fred 2B and Yasin 5S for receiving School Games Values certificates.



Respect

- Accepted decisions made by officials
- Congratulated opposition even in defeat
- Accepted victory and defeat with grace
- Has respect not only in sport, but for everyone



Honesty

- Played within the rules of the game
- Be honest with yourself and others
- Does the right thing in a difficult situation
- Does not cheat



Determination

- Never gave up
- Achieved their outcomes
- Kept on competing even when in difficult times
- The very best they can be
- Didn't hold back



Teamwork

- Treating everyone equally
- Supported team mates
- Worked together and encouraged
- Positive player
- Celebrated in other's success



Passion

- Encouraged others
- Never gave up
- Gives 100% all the time
- Helped teacher with equipment setting up/packing away



Self Belief

- Believed they could achieve
- Confident
- Achieves personal best

Curriculum News

The teachers have prepared a 'meet the teacher' presentation, which is available on the school website, under parents/supporting your child. This replaces the usual meetings we have at the beginning of the school year. Please take some time to view this presentation to find out how best to support your child. There is also a curriculum letter in curriculum/year group, which explains the topics covered in this term.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Reception – Dance

Reception this week took part in their first ever dance lesson. Mr Smith and Miss Mariam took the children into the Hall and read them the story of 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'.

The children then had to move around the Hall, pretending to be Little, Middle-sized and Big Billy Goat Gruff, but being careful not to be eaten by the great, terrible Troll! We all had lots of fun!



Year 3 Poetry

Following on from National Poetry Day, children in year 3 have been writing and publishing their own poems on the year 3 Class Blogs.

Check out some examples here including one which followed the theme of National Poetry Day: 'Vision', by Teeyasia in 3I and a different vibe from Angeline in 3H with her rhyming poem about 'Feelings'.

Poetry

My vision is good

My vision nice

But not so good when I close my eyes.

Some people's eyes are really bad and

That makes them sad.

Vision is beautiful in all different ways

Vision shows the way through life.

Feelings

Feelings are always bubbling up to my head,
cuddles make me happy and I said,
"cuddles make me have full of joy,
I think this is a time that I will enjoy."

I'm shivering like I do in the cold,
I think I've got the opposite feeling of brave and bold.

Lots of thoughts in my head,
I'm anxious and scared.

When someone takes what I like,
just like my bike,
it makes me jealous,
I'm also scared if they are careless.

Tears coming from my eyes,
as blue as ice,
flowing like rain,
rushing down my cheek like a train.

Scholastic Book Clubs

Fantastic book-buying opportunities!



As a school, due to the current situation, we are conscious that we will not be able to run our traditional book fayres this year. These have always been incredibly well-supported, and give our parents and children an opportunity to buy brilliant books at amazing prices whilst earning commission (at no cost to you) for the school to then use on books too.

We have found a way for you to regularly buy, hassle-free, using a unique online portal which will give you access to their great offers and once again earn us 20p for every £1 spent!

How Does It Work?

We will share our unique Scholastic website address.

Parents and children then go online to browse the latest Book Club range.

Parents order and pay securely online (this means no cash needs to be transferred to school).

On an assigned date, we will finalise the order via the website.

The books are delivered to school for FREE.

Our Unique Address:

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-peter-pauls-rc/digital-book-club>

For this Book Club, please place your order online by **October 31st, 2020**.

As a parent, to find out more information about Scholastic Book Clubs visit:

<https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/bookclubs/parents>

Shine – Half Term Holiday Clubs

Shine Clubs are now able to bring you the details of our Holiday Clubs for the half term in October!

We are running courses throughout the summer holidays at:

[Downshall Primary School, Meads Lane, Ilford, IG3 8UG](#)

To book onto any of our courses simply visit our website or click the buttons below:

ALL DAY: <https://shineclubs.class4kids.co.uk/camp/64>

Morning+: <https://shineclubs.class4kids.co.uk/camp/65>

Morning: <https://shineclubs.class4kids.co.uk/camp/66>

Afternoon: <https://shineclubs.class4kids.co.uk/camp/67>

Spaces are going to be extremely limited, so I recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

Our guarantee to you: if our courses get cancelled due the worsening on Covid-19 by the Government, you will get a full refund.

If you have any further questions or would like to talk in person about this then please do not hesitate to get in touch on 07984189460.

DID YOU KNOW: Shine Clubs were chosen by London Borough of Redbridge to deliver our childcare provision for Key Worker children across the borough during this critical time.

'Many thanks for providing this much-needed service at a convenient location. The caring, flexible and excellent staff meant that we could focus on our NHS work during these challenging times.'

We understand the concerns you may have ahead of sending your child to any external courses like us, therefore we will do all we can to give you the peace of mind knowing your child will be safe with Shine Clubs.

Yours truly,

Tony Charles – Founder Shine Clubs



Y7 Virtual Opening Evening – Brentwood Ursuline

Virtual Open Evening for prospective Y7 girls – September 2021 intake
Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School will be holding a Virtual Open Evening for prospective Year 7 students who wish to consider entry to the school in September 2021. For prospective Year 7 students the Virtual Open Evening is now live on our website www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk. Parents can view our photo gallery and read speeches from the Headteacher and Senior Students by clicking on the tickertape running across the home screen.

Please contact the Admissions Officer Miss Lester (Tel: 01277 227156 ext 405) for further information.

Y6 – Y7 Secondary Transition

If your child is in Year 6 you need to complete an application for a secondary school place by **31st October 2020**. You will need to set up an account at <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/secondary-school-admissions>

Please be aware, if you are applying for a Catholic secondary school, there is an additional form which will need signing by your Parish Priest. This is needed to supplement the online application.

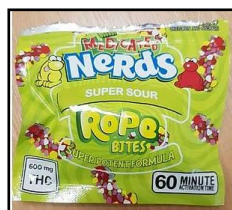
Flu Immunisation

These will take place on **Wednesday 21st October**. It is vital that you have completed and returned your letter to school. All children are encouraged to participate in this programme – and this is even more vital during the current global pandemic.

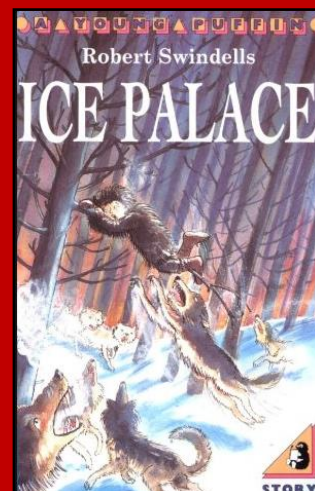


Warning

Please take the time to remind your child about not accepting food or sweets from people they do not know. As you may have seen in the National Press, a number of 13-year-old girls were hospitalised after eating what they believed were sweets.



Recommended Read Year 3



Ivan lives in a land where the winter is dark and fearful. Starjik, King of Winter, steals Ivan's little brother and Ivan braves the bitter cold to find him.

If you liked this then try:

+ 'Beowulf and the Beast' by Julia Golding

+ 'The Pied Piper' by Robert Browning

+ 'Myths, Legends and Sacred Stories: A Children's Encyclopedia' by Dorling Kindersley



Recent Tweets – @SSPP_Primary



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#nationalpoetryday2020 began with a recorded assembly for the children to watch in their classes. This took them through the theme for this year ('Vision'). They also heard one of the example poems by Charles E Carryl, which detailed what a giant has 'seen' throughout his life.



Vision
See it like a poet

The Sleepy Giant

My age is three hundred and seventy-two,
And I think, with the deepest regret,
How I used to pick up and voraciously chew
The dear little boys whom I met.

I've eaten them raw, in their holiday suits;
I've eaten them curried with rice;
I've eaten them baked, in their jackets and boots,
And found them exceedingly nice.

But now that my jaws are too weak for such fare,
I think it exceedingly rude
To do such a thing, when I'm quite well aware
Little boys do not like to be chewed.

And so I contentedly live upon eels,
And try to do nothing amiss,
And I pass all the time I can spare from my meals
In innocent slumber like this.

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All fingers & toes have been crossed as we have once again thrown our hat into the ring to be part of the judging panel for the #BluePeterBookAwards run by the @Booktrust. We were not successful last year, but God loves a trier and we know that our children would excel themselves



Colder Weather

Now that the weather is feeling much more autumnal, please ensure that your child comes to school with a suitable coat every day. These should be plain and not have large logos on them.



Parent Consultations

These can now be booked using **Scopay**. Be sure to register for your 10 minute appointment. Nearer the time, teachers will send you an email with the login details for the Zoom meeting.

Be aware that content coming from the class email address may be filtered into your junk or spam email folder, make sure you check there and then confirm the address is not spam.

World Mental Health Day 2020

Today we celebrated World Mental Health Day by learning about how we can maintain positive mental health. Children looked at different ways they can bring positivity into their lives as well as into their friends' and family's lives too. To mark the day and bring more positivity into our school community, we would like our families to take part in a **Positivity Family Challenge** with their children by undertaking **one** of the activities below:

- On an A4 sheet of paper, design a poster showing different ways people can spread positivity in their local community.
- On an A4 sheet of paper, send in photographs and information about a special talent your family has developed during lockdown e.g. cooking, dancing, arts or crafts.
- Send in your stories about something good you and your family did to help others during lockdown.

We would like to showcase these examples of positivity on a display in school and on our website. Please remind your child to put their name and class on the activities and bring them into school by **Monday 19th October**.

SSPP Well-being Questionnaires

Please remember to complete our well-being and home learning questionnaire about your child's experiences during lockdown, so should we have to lockdown again, we can provide you with the best support possible. To complete the questionnaire, please click on this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSddlgA0lOXFULHQ2gxi1PS8rBWxphiq7ABieMM_dp81B2AphA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0



Well done to everyone who applied to be a councillor for their class. You all did very well when you bravely spoke in front of your peers! This year we congratulate our new councillors:

1K Sarah

2B Sachin

3I Geraldine

4S Gabriel

5S Ainara

6B Amrit

1M Micajah

2P Vandana

3H Chidi

4W Maya

5B Elijah

6R Annabel

