



SSPP School News

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- CELEBRATING DIFFERENCE -

**HATE CANNOT DRIVE
OUT HATE; ONLY
LOVE CAN**



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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 in our year group assemblies, we looked at how we are all made in God's image; everybody is someone and we all make a difference. For the rest of this term, we will focus on Black History and how people have made a difference for the greater good. Y5 heard how Manchester United and England footballer Marcus Rashford MBE, has worked hard to end child poverty and was responsible for the FSM scheme being extended during lockdown. The children were very perceptive and able to articulate the difference between being treated equally and fairly. You will have the opportunity to hear more from the children as their work will be celebrated on the class blogs and the school website.

Thank you to all the parents who have booked appointments on Scopay, for Parent Consultations; we will shortly be closing the list, therefore please book your appointment as soon as possible.

The Recovery Curriculum at SSPP is now well underway; the teachers make the most of every opportunity to ensure the gaps in children's learning are closed. For this reason, it is vital your child arrives at school on time as some interventions take place as soon as the children arrive. Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 should arrive between 8.35-8.45; after 8.45 they will be recorded as late on the register. Children in Y3-Y6 should arrive between 8.45- 9.00, after 9.00 they will be recorded as late. Please make the most of this extra learning time for your child.

At SSPP we regularly photograph and video children in order to showcase their learning on the school website, newsletter and the controlled social media platforms – Twitter and Facebook. These are filtered and monitored to ensure your child is safeguarded; we will never provide details of your child and they will never be identifiable by name. Please view our Twitter feed and Facebook page to see examples and for reassurance.

We have a small number of children who do not have permission to be photographed; this can be upsetting for children if they are unable to showcase their work, competition entry, sporting achievement, representation on the School Council, School Ambassadors, Well-being Champions and Liturgy group. Good luck to the Y6 children who are interviewing for School Ambassadors this week.

After half term, children in Reception will be able to order School dinners or bring their own packed lunch. Please go to www.feedinghungryminds.co.uk to register and pre-select a meal for your child. Wishing you a safe weekend!

God Bless.
S. Johnson
Headteacher

Headteacher

Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher

Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

16th November

Start of Anti-Bullying Week

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 we hear how the Romans ruled the area where Jesus lived and demanded taxes from the Pharisees; they asked Jesus if was right to pay the taxes.

Jesus told the Pharisees to "pay the Emperor what belongs to the Emperor – and God what belongs to God."

Jesus is reminding us that we have two main responsibilities. One is to love God and to try to live our lives the way God wants us to.

The other responsibility is to care for each other and to make sure that everyone gets their fair share of the good things that God has given us. We pray that all members of our global family work together to ensure everyone is treated equally, and bring an end to poverty.

Prayer for the week

God of all, you call us to love you and to care for one another. May we never forget what you ask of us. Help us to reach out to each other in love.

Amen

Star Pupil Awards

N	Aidan, Hartaj
RS	Tiffany
RM	Etiandro
1K	Mia
1M	Jojo
2B	Jack
2P	Anusha
3H	Brielle
3I	Arniv
4S	Janelle
4W	Kishan
5B	Charlie
5S	Parneet
6B	Aszad
6R	Annabel



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

School Photographs

The school photographer will visit on Friday 13th November to take individual pupil photographs; due to the current arrangements in school, we are unable to have sibling photographs.



School Games Values Certificates

Congratulations to Timothy 3I, Ilinca 1M, Olivia 1M and Isabella 1M for receiving School Games Values certificates.

Attendance w/e 16th October 97%

****Well done to 2B for 100% attendance last week****

Class	% (Target 95.5%) Class attendance percentages since the 4 th September 2020 Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%
RS	97%
RM	98%
1K	92%
1M	99%
2B	98%
2P	98%
3H	97%
3I	95%
4S	97%
4W	97%
5B	95%
5S	99%
6B	95%
6R	97%



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

Playground Book Boxes

Six beautiful, red reading boxes have been installed across the outdoor site at SSPP. These have been filled with gorgeous books catering for all levels of reading. These can be used at break by pupils to take a bit of quiet time and read a good book. Currently, each remains accessible by the children in one 'bubble' only.



SCHOOL NEWS

KS2 Playtime

With a slight reduction in the amount of equipment accessible at break times (due to the current situation with Covid), we were trying to find ways to keep the children active and engaged. We really should not have worried, as the children have found a return to the games of yesteryear, with long rope skipping (with rhymes) becoming a favourite.



With a slightly more modern twist, year 4 have been creating pom poms to take part in break time cheerleading routines.



Mini Marathon

Over the last two weeks, children in Year One through to Year Five have been given the opportunity to complete the Virgin Money Mini London Marathon. They were able to complete a 2.6 mile run, jog or walk during their PE lessons and also during our 1K Wednesday and Thursday sessions. We are overjoyed to announce that 186 of our children completed this distance - we await delivery of their medals, which will be presented to them shortly. Well done to everyone who took part - even if the children did not quite complete the full distance, each and every one of them tried their hardest to be the very best that they can be.



Difference

The theme for this week's assemblies in years 4, 5 and 6 has been difference. Children heard about how animals, who are very different in their appearances, often work together to benefit each other. There were also discussions about how some people can be singled out because of a perceived difference (including religion, wealth and race). This all linked nicely with our entrance corridor display which shows how we are all looking to make a 'difference' this year.

"No one ever made a difference by being like everyone else."

P.T. Barnum

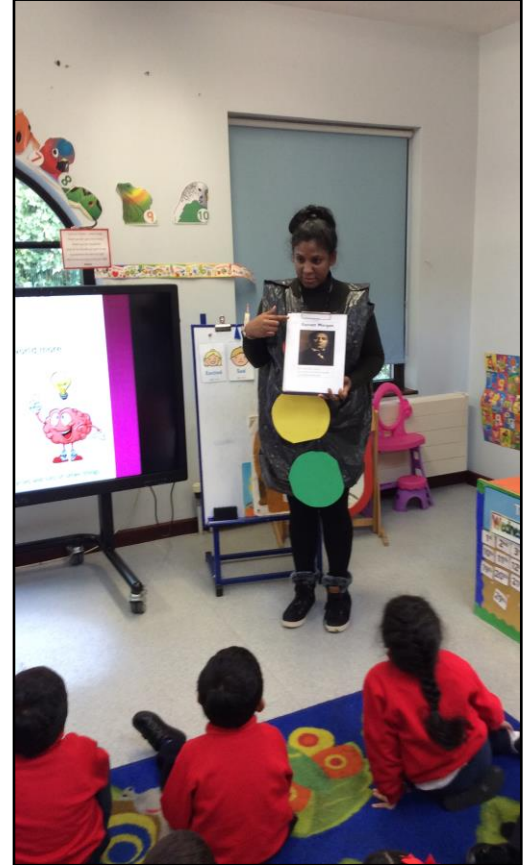


Black History Month

Throughout the month of October (and beyond) we will be showcasing the fantastic work completed by our pupils during their Black History Topics. Please visit the relevant Class Blog to see videos and further photos.

Nursery <https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/nursery2021/>

Our Nursery pupils have been learning about Garrett Morgan. He was an inventor and helped to make the world safer by inventing the traffic light. As well as finding out all about Garrett, the children were shown the importance of the colour system and even had a go at using the 'traffic light' (Miss Rama) to cross safely.



Year 3 <https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/3h21/> & <https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/3i21/>

Year 3 have been looking at performance poetry and in particular the work of Maya Angelou. Acclaimed American poet, storyteller, activist, singer, actress and director, Maya worked alongside people such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. The children in Year 3 learned how to recite her powerful poem 'Caged Bird' which describes the opposing experiences between two birds: one bird is able to live in nature as it pleases, while a different caged bird suffers in captivity.

Caged Bird

A free bird leaps on the back of the wind
and floats downstream till the current ends
and dips his wing in the orange sun rays
and dares to claim the sky.

But a bird that stalks down his narrow cage
can seldom see through his bars of rage
his wings are clipped and his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing.



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.



Scholastic Book Clubs



Remember that we are running our first SSPP Book Club, making use of the fantastic offers on Scholastic's website.

For every £1 you spend, our school earns 20p!

How Does It Work?

Use the unique web address shown below.

Browse the latest Book Club range.

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

The books are delivered to school for FREE.

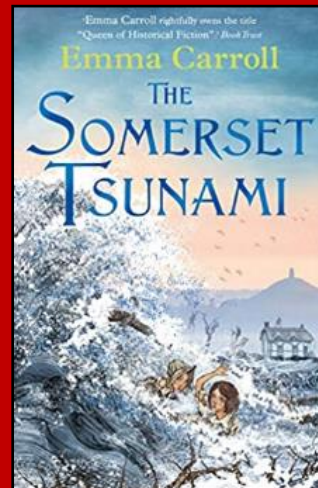
Our Unique Address:

<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

Recommended Read Year 4



SOMERSET, 1616

A sinking boat... A girl in disguise... A disappearing sea...

When Fortune Sharpe carves a boat from a tree with her beloved brother Jem, she's only having a bit of fun. But now is not the time for a girl to be drawing attention to herself and she is sent away to find work dressed as a boy. Luckily a rich manor house is hiring. Yet Barrow Hall's inhabitants harbour dangerous secrets of their own, and the house itself is a little too close to the sea...

If you liked this then try:

- + 'Orphans of the Tide' by Straun Murray
- + 'In Darkling Wood' by Emma Carroll
- + 'Why the Whales Came' by Michael Morpurgo

Recent Tweets – @SSPP_Primary



In this month of October, we offer our thanks and prayers to Father Adrian Graffy at Christ The Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, for his kind donation of our new, beautiful statue of Our Lady which takes pride of place in her shrine. @TGSCTrust



Thank you to all pupils, parents and staff for supporting our Macmillan cake competition, the raffle ticket sale raised £492; congratulations to those who were the lucky winners of the amazing @eggfreecakeuk cakes.



Nursery Packed Lunches

We have been really impressed with the quality and healthy nature of the packed lunches seen in Nursery over the last couple of weeks. These are a good model for many of the older children, showing how important it is for a nutritious, balanced lunch to be provided from home.



Parent Consultations – Urgent Bookings

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.

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 make use of this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSddlgAOIOXFULHQ2gxi1PS8rBWxphiq7ABieMM_dp81B2AphA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0

Positivity Family Challenge – Reminder

As a family, consider 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**.



The new set of councillors had their first meeting on Thursday, which, after introductions, began with a reminder of *Article 12 - Every child has the right to say what they think in all matters affecting them and to have their views taken seriously.*

The expectations have been set for the year with meetings to take place fortnightly.

One of the main foci for the year will be the transformation of the school council into an Eco-School Council.

The goals of this include making SSPP an eco-friendly school and convincing the community to really think about its recycling and any littering which takes place.

There will be a major project as the year progresses, details of which will be revealed at a later date.

The councillors received their badges and a school council note-taking book to gather their class's concerns and ideas which will be discussed in future sessions.

