



# SSPP School News

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**IN ADVENT WE  
WAIT, WE WATCH,  
WE HOPE**

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# SS Peter and Paul's Catholic Primary School

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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,

As we approach the final weeks of term, we reflect on the difficulties faced by our community. We have endured a second lockdown, however the children have continued to attend school in high numbers, 97% and once again, we remain relatively unaffected by Covid-19. Please continue to keep up the excellent communication, as I do believe this is a positive factor in keeping everyone safe.

The children are now busy rehearsing nativity concerts, which will be recorded and shared on the class blogs for you to enjoy. As you may appreciate, the teachers have worked hard to deliver the true meaning of Christmas, with all the current restrictions in place. I know you will all miss the wonderful atmosphere in school and the KS2 carol concert in church; however we are all together in Spirit and look forward to a time when we can enjoy celebrations in school.

I am sorry to say, we have asked children not to bring in Christmas cards for other children in school this year; we are trying to avoid any possibility of cross contamination; this also applies to tins of sweets to be shared out.

A message was sent out last week, regarding Shine afterschool and breakfast club. I am working with the owner of Shine to see if it is possible to keep the club open with the low numbers we have at present due to Covid. It may be possible to retain breakfast club and the first session after school. If your child currently attends Shine or you are interested in securing a place for January, please email me on [head@sspeterandpauls.redbridge.sch.uk](mailto:head@sspeterandpauls.redbridge.sch.uk) it may be possible to keep the club going; it would certainly be a big loss to the school if it were to close.

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December, we will have nearly new children's clothes stall (not school uniform) in our car park, from 10am-2pm, come along and help yourself.

As you are aware, on the last day of term the school closes at 1.30pm; because of social distancing it is necessary to stagger this collection time to avoid many parents on site at the same time:

- **EYFS & KS1:** 1.00pm collection
- **Y3 & Y4:** 1.15pm collection
- **Y5 & Y6:** 1.30pm collection

Nursery will also finish at 1.00pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December; there will not be an afternoon session on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Please stay safe.

God Bless.  
S. Johnson  
Headteacher

### Headteacher

Mrs Johnson

### Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Hull

### Assistant Headteacher

Mr Roca-Mas

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### 9<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day

#### 16<sup>th</sup> December

End of Term Mass

#### 18<sup>th</sup> December

Last Day of Term: 1.30pm Finish

#### 4<sup>th</sup> January

Staff INSET Day

#### 5<sup>th</sup> January

Children Return To School

### LINKS

School Website:

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

School Blogs:

<https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/>

### UNICEF Article 31

*Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.*



You have a right to play!

U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child: Article 31

## Gospel Reflection Mark 1:1-8

Advent is the season of preparation and hope, culminating in the celebration of the birth of Jesus, which brings us the good news that we are loved unconditionally by God.

In Sunday's Gospel John the Baptist points the attention away from himself towards Jesus. John makes it clear that it is Jesus that the people should follow: the hope of the world.

John said, "There is someone else to come – someone who is more powerful than I am. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit."

This season of hope is a great opportunity to be spiritually refreshed, to remove everything negative in life and make it more positive: to look forward knowing that God is with us.

Pope Francis reminds us, "Hope is strength, a grace and a gift from God".

## Pray for the week

God of truth, help us to prepare for the coming of your Son and to share the message of your love with others. Amen.

## Star Pupil Awards

N	Jorowar, Carla
RM	Jay
RS	Rameen
1K	Angelito
1M	David
2B	Harvir
2P	Dinah
3H	Nicole
3I	Teeyasia
4S	Navjot
4W	Ahmad
5B	Sabrina
5S	Romar
6B	Harveer
6R	Alvina

## Attendance w/e 4<sup>th</sup> December 95.4%

Class	% (Target 95.5%) Class attendance percentages since the 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2020 Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%
RM	95.7%
RS	98.6%
1K	90.1%
1M	91.30%
2B	97.3%
2P	92.2%
3H	98.6%
3I	97.9%
4S	96.8%
4W	97.0%
5B	95.7%
5S	95.3%
6B	96.9%
6R	95.7%



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

## Christmas dinner



We are now less than **one** week away from our special Christmas dinner/jumper day, on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**. The cost of a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, or the vegetarian option, is **£2.00**. Please pay though Feeding Hungry Minds or put £2.00 in an envelope for the office, if you do not have an online account.

## School Games Values Certificates

Congratulations Sophie 1M, Jack 2B, Hadi 2B, Merlyn 2P, Heimrad 6B and Jordan 6R for receiving School Games Values certificates.

<b>Respect</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accepted decisions made by officials</li> <li>Congratulated opposition even in defeat</li> <li>Accepted victory and defeat with grace</li> <li>Has respect not only in sport, but for everyone</li> </ul>	<b>Honesty</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Played within the rules of the game</li> <li>Be honest with yourself and others</li> <li>Does the right thing in a difficult situation</li> <li>Does not cheat</li> </ul>
<b>Determination</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Never gave up</li> <li>Achieved their outcomes</li> <li>Kept on competing even when in difficult times</li> <li>The very best they can be</li> <li>Didn't hold back</li> </ul>	<b>Teamwork</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treating everyone equally</li> <li>Supported team mates</li> <li>Worked together and encouraged</li> <li>Positive player</li> <li>Celebrated in other's success</li> </ul>
<b>Passion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encouraged others</li> <li>Never gave up</li> <li>Gives 100% all the time</li> <li>Helped teacher with equipment setting up/packing away</li> </ul>	<b>Self Belief</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Believed they could achieve</li> <li>Confident</li> <li>Achieves personal best</li> </ul>



## SCHOOL NEWS

### Christmas Scholastic Book Club



Our second Scholastic Book Club **ends today!** Thank you to the parents who have already bought items.

#### Remember:

We 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).

After the deadline, we 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, all orders must be placed online by the end of the day today:

**December 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 (Today!)**

Unless we hear otherwise, when the books are delivered to school, they will be bagged up and given to the corresponding pupils to bring home. If you wish for them to be a present (and therefore not given directly to your child) please email Mr Roca-Mas on [6r@sspeterandpauls.redbridge.sch.uk](mailto:6r@sspeterandpauls.redbridge.sch.uk) after you have made your order. You will then be notified by email when they are ready to collect from the office – which can be done so discreetly.

*Treat yourself and support our school.*

### End of Day Arrangements for last day of term, 18<sup>th</sup> December

Please remember that we have put in place adjusted end of day arrangements, to further reduce the amount of parents congregating at any one time on the school grounds.

**EYFS & KS1:** 1.00 collection

**Y3 & Y4:** 1.15pm collection

**Y5 & Y6:** 1.30pm collection

The end of day routes and procedures remain the same. Masks **must** be worn



### Christmas Jumper Day

Our Christmas Jumper Day will once again take place on the same day as we will be sharing our Christmas dinner,

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.**



Although we encourage the traditional Christmas Jumper, you can choose a party outfit if you prefer (or anything Christmassy). Rumours are abound that the Friends of SSPP may appear with special surprises on this day.

### Nativities and Carol Concerts

With the country as it is currently, we will sadly not be able to carry out our usual concerts and events towards the end of the Autumn Term. This is obviously a very tough decision to make, as our Nativities and the KS2 Carol Concert are some of the highlights of the year, along with a fitting way for a Catholic school to prepare for Christmas. That is however, not the end of the matter – we are rather resourceful at SSPP, and have come up with a way of still marking this special season. Watch out for further news as we head closer to the end of term.





## 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.

### Year 4 – Martin Luther King & Other Inspirational Figures

<https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net/4s21/> & <https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net4w21/>

Year 4 were given the chance to explore and study the life of Martin Luther King. The obvious focus in these sessions, was on non-violence, peaceful protest and the power of speech.

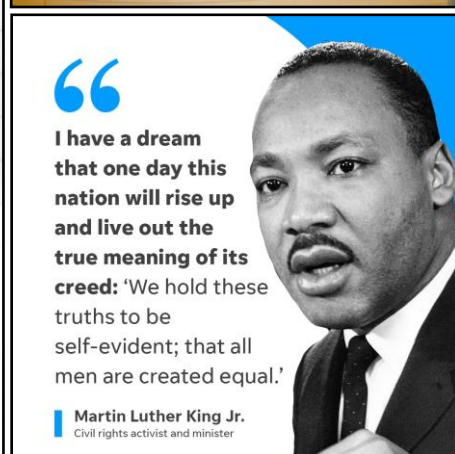
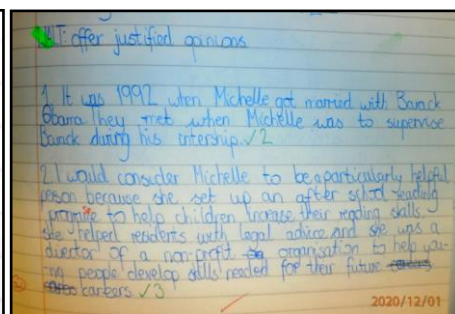
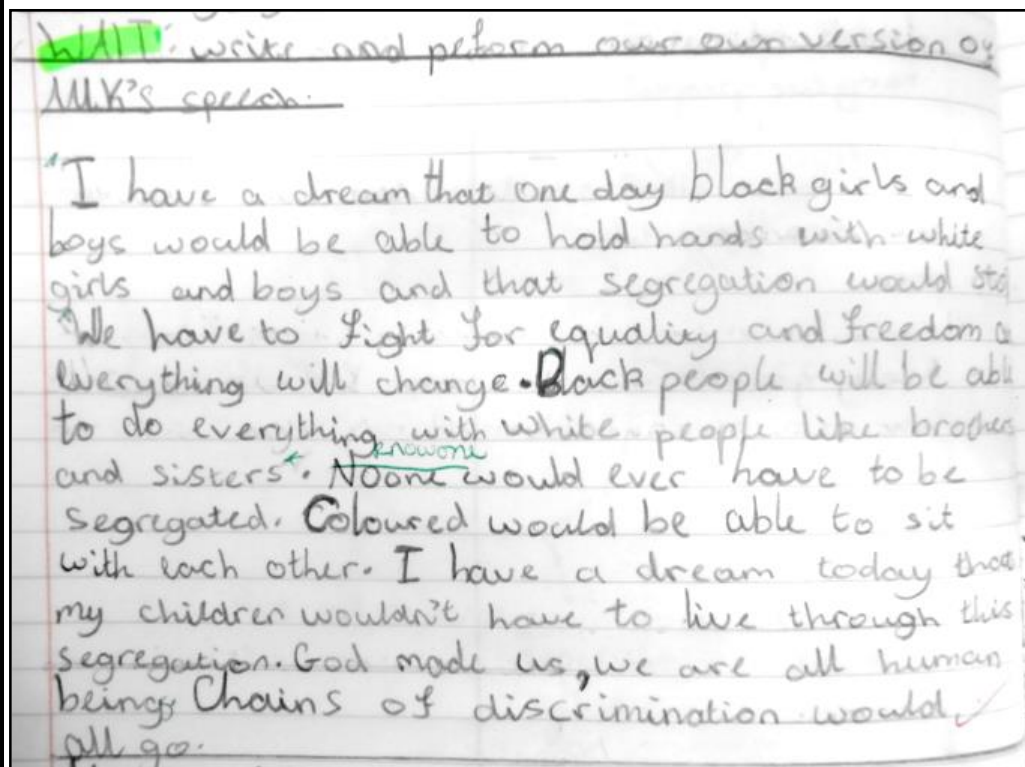
Their first lesson this week involved them questioning where their morals lie and what they would stand up for. They were given various scenarios and asked to respond to each one.

They then went on to look at Martin Luther King Jr. as an American Baptist Minister who was born on January 15<sup>th</sup> 1929 and died in on April 4<sup>th</sup> 1968. They looked at Martin Luther King as a campaigner in the 'Civil Rights Movement', a movement that sought to give African Americans the same rights as white Americans.

It was important for the children to see the significance of his faith and the role Christianity and the Bible and how that played a part in forming his famous 'I have a dream' speech.

Pupils were also given the chance to write and perform their own speeches using powerful emotive language.

Further time was spent looking at the life of other inspirational African American role models such as Michael Jordan, Serena Williams and Michelle Obama.



## West Ham Corner

Hi, it's me, Romar again, here to talk about West Ham versus Aston Villa.

West Ham moved fifth in the Premier League with a victory over Aston Villa in a pulsating match at the London Stadium.

Villa's Ollie Watkins was denied a stoppage-time equaliser after an agonising VAR wait deemed his upper arm was offside, even though he seemed to be being held back by Hammers defender Angelo Ogbonna. (Editor's note: there was nothing 'agonising' about it; it was clearly offside, you could have driven a bus through the gap).

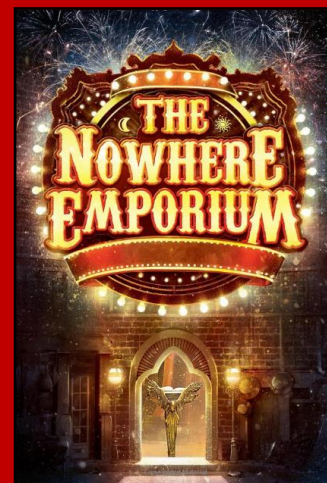
In their next game, West Ham face Manchester United. This is another home game for the Hammers and will see a select, small number of fans return to the London Stadium. A win here (and other results going their way) could see them move up into the top three!

**Latest Result:** West Ham 2 – 1 Aston Villa

**League Position:** 5th



## Recommended Read Year 6



*The shop from nowhere can appear at any time, in any city. Its labyrinth of rooms contain wonders beyond belief. But to enter you must pay a price.*

*The Nowhere Emporium is open for business. Bring your imagination.*

*When Daniel stumbles into the mysterious Nowhere Emporium in Glasgow, he opens the door to a world of breathtaking magic and looming danger.*

If you liked this then try:

+ 'The Elsewhere Emporium' by Ross MacKenzie

+ 'Five Children and It' by E. Nesbit

+ 'Wonderscape' by Jennifer Bell

## Times Tables Rock Stars Top Ten

These are the current SSPP top ten pupils:

Rank	Name	Year Group
1	Sofiya	Year 3
2	Arnav	Year 5
3	Sereni	Year 5
4	Yashna	Year 5
5	Daphne	Year 6
6	Gurleen	Year 6
7	Naomi	Year 3
8	Gabriel	Year 4
9	Navjot	Year 4
10	Natik	Year 5

## Community News



In such difficult times, we would like to take short moment each week to celebrate any news within the SSPP Community which brings a smile to our faces.

We will begin by giving our best wishes to Adrian A in Year 6, who got an amazing pre-Christmas gift with the arrival of his little baby sister Natalia.

Mother, baby and the family are all doing well.



## Recent Tweets – @SSPP\_Primary



Let Advent begin... #SSPP #Advent



With the full @paolini set now in place (and even with over 60 books currently with their readers) the Year 6 Recommended Reads area is looking rather full! #SSPP #WeLoveToRead





## Class 4W – Science

4W have been investigating the effect of tooth decay using eggs to be left in different substances to compare to resemble the effect of what would happen to a tooth. We chose an egg, as this resembles the enamel that protects the tooth just as the egg shell protects the egg. We used the experiment to investigate the effect on the eggs after 48 hours of them being in three different types of liquids. The liquids we chose were water, milk and Pepsi. We noticed that the egg in water hadn't changed much at all. The egg in milk had gone rotten and the milk had curdled horribly leaving solidified stains on the egg (which probably wouldn't be very good for your teeth). We also noticed that the egg in Pepsi had left dirty stains on the egg formed from the acid in the Pepsi. So don't forget to clean your teeth!



## Class 4W – Design & Technology (with an Art focus)

4W created broaches inspired by the Anglo-Saxons, which has been the focus of their topic lessons this term. Broaches were designed individually using materials such as jewels, glitter, coloured paper, cardboard, tracing paper and other plastic gem-like resources. The idea was to create symmetrical and intricate patterns on their broaches using the colours and designs that Anglo-Saxons would have used (these were known as Royal colours to them). These colours included gold, silver, red, green, and purple. The class enjoyed creating their broaches and put some wonderful designs together. You could say they really tied their ideas together!



**Article 12 - Every child has the right to say what they think in all matters affecting them and to have their views taken seriously.**

Our school council is becoming an Eco-Council! The councillors are taking a step forward towards working to become more eco-friendly and help do our part for the UNCRC's Sustainable Goal No 13 - Climate Action.

As an introduction to the 3R's we have organised for the KS1 and KS2, virtual workshops delivered by an organisation called "Keep Britain Tidy", an independent charity with three goals – to eliminate litter, end waste and improve places.

Their motto is: *"This means more to us than just picking up litter. It means creating clean beaches, parks and streets. It means creating sustainable practices and eliminating unnecessary waste. We fight for people's right to live and work in places they can be proud of and prosper in."* Check their website for more information

on how you can recycle and keep your area clean: <https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/about>



## Admissions – An Important Reminder

### Reception Admissions

2021-2022 Applicants for Reception September 2021 (dates of birth: 01/09/2016 to 31/08/2017) should make an online application to London Borough of Redbridge website: [www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools)

Closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2021**.

Parents should complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) and return to the school office by the closing date.

Please check <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/primary-school-admissions/> for further information.

### Nursery Admissions

For September 2021 (dates of birth: 01/09/2017-31/08/2018). Applications are available from the School Office. The closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2021**.

Please collect an Application Form from the school office and return by the closing date.



# COOKED FOOD

*for the*

## COMMUNITY



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# FREE ONLINE WORKSHOPS FOR OUR REDBRIDGE PARENTS INTERPRETED IN URDU, BENGALI AND PUNJABI

WELLBEING FOR EDUCATION RETURN



## URDU

Parents actions to improve  
wellbeing during covid



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وقت 6:30 - 7:30 pm  
زبان - اردو



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اسمارٹ فون  
سے کوڈ اسکین کریں) یا  
email: REWT@redbridge.gov.uk  
پر ای میل کریں

## BENGALI

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নেন  
রেডব্রিজের  
শিক্ষাগত কল্যাণ দল কোভিড চলাকালীন  
সুস্থতার উন্নতি করার জন্য রেডব্রিজের  
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বাংলা  
ভাষায় ব্যাখ্যা করা



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করুন REWT@redbridge.gov.uk

## PUNJABI

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ਦਿਨ: ਮੰਗਲਵਾਰ 30 ਨਵੰਬਰ  
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ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਹਾਜ਼ਰੀ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਕਰੋ: QR ਕੋਡ ਦਾਖਲ ਕਰੋ (ਆਪਣੇ ਸਮਾਰਟਫੋਨ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਡ ਸਕੈਨ  
ਕਰੋ) ਜਾਂ ਈਮੇਲ ਕਰੋ REWT@redbridge.gov.uk

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