



SSPP School News

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– World Book Day 2021 –

**READING IS
DREAMING WITH
OPEN EYES**



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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,

At last, after two months, home learning comes to an end!!! You made it, well done to each and every one of you!!!! I am sure this weekend you will be frantically sorting uniform, looking for book bags etc. However, try to spend some time talking to your child about returning to school, ask them how they feel, do not be surprised if they are nervous or anxious. The teachers are well prepared for the children returning and will certainly spend some quality time talking to the children about how they feel and about their lockdown experiences.

Lockdown was not necessarily a negative experience all the time, many children learned some new skills, discovered a love of reading, became more independent and certainly became more confident with technology. The teachers will be dedicating some quality time during the first few weeks back to hear all about their adventures at home; please feel free to send in a photograph, which may be used for a classroom display.

Hot meals will be served as usual in school, please remember to put credit on your Feeding Hungry Minds account. Packed lunches will continue to be eaten in the classroom; please also remember we are a nut-free school.

The children do not need to bring their laptops back to school on Monday; you will be advised when to return it. However, all children need to bring their PE kit to school on the first day back.

I would like to thank you all for supporting the school during this lockdown. We were able to remain open throughout, for a small number of pupils, which enabled the teachers to provide so many live lessons. They are certainly looking forward to face to face teaching once again and having a well-earned rest from Zoom!

I wish you all a peaceful weekend.

God bless.

Mrs Johnson
Headteacher



Headteacher

Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher

Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8th March

All children return to school

14th March

Mother's Day

17th March

St Patrick's Day

28th March

Palm Sunday

1st April

Break up at 1:30pm

2nd April

Good Friday

4th April

Easter Sunday

UNICEF Article 17

Every child has the right to reliable information from the mass media.



You can get information in lots of ways – so long as it's safe
U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 17

Gospel Reflection (John 2: 13-25)

In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear how the people had actually lost sight of God by getting caught up in their buying and selling. Jesus' enthusiastic action was a protest that things had gone seriously wrong with how they were relating to God; something needed to change.

Lent is a time to renew our own relationship with God and to be filled with a new enthusiasm for God and for life in all its fullness. Pope Francis says "Dear young people, may you always live the faith with enthusiasm."

Prayer for the week

May our school be welcoming,
May our school be encouraging,
Let friendship flourish here,
Let learning fill our day.
Give us the strength to do our best,
Give us the hope to carry on,
Be our guide in all we do.
Lord make this school your home too. Amen

Star Pupil Awards – See The Class Blogs

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Attendance w/e 5th March

Class	% (Target 95.5%) Class attendance percentages since the 4 th September 2020 Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%
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RS	-----
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1M	-----
2B	-----
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4S	-----
4W	-----
5B	-----
5S	-----
6B	-----
6R	-----



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

Covid Winter Grant Scheme

December 2020 to March 31st 2021

The Covid Winter Grant Scheme is available to support families most in need across England with the cost of food, energy (heating, cooking, lighting), water bills (including sewerage) and other essentials. This grant will be available for children up to the age of 19 years. Please contact the school if this scheme could be of assistance to you.

School Games Values Certificates

We look forward to issuing more when we all return to school.



Courses For Parents

A flier has been added at the end of our Newsletter to advertise Redbridge Educational Welling Team's (REWT) Courses for parents.

The Redbridge Educational Psychology Service (which run the courses) have now gone live and the link to their website is: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/educational-psychology-service/>



SCHOOL NEWS

March 8th – School Timings Reminder

As we have a full return for pupils on Monday 8th March, please take the time to remind yourselves of the drop off and collection details and timings across the school.

	Gate Opens	Bell Rings	End of Day
EYFS & KS1	8:35am	8:45am	3:00pm
KS2	8:45am	8:55am	3:15pm*

* Note that the KS2 end of day has reverted to 3:15pm for all year groups (Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6)

For both drop off and collection we will be once again be making use of our one way system, meaning that all entries to the site are made via the 'In' gate and leave via the 'Out' gate.

Before the gate is opened in the morning, please try to keep to the 2m+ social distancing protocol, tucking in from the road, but spacing out on the pavement.

As before Christmas, adults **must** wear masks when on site.



March 8th – School Equipment

Children must bring the following items to school on the first day back

- PE bag, full PE kit, red shorts, yellow polo shirt with SSPP logo, plain navy blue jogging suit, plimsolls.
- Water bottle
- Pencil case containing, pencil, rubber, sharpener, coloured pencils, glue stick, blue biro, red biro, or multi-coloured ballpoint pen. The pencil case must be able to fit in the desk tray and should be approximately 14cms x 21cms.
- An SSPP school bag, NO backpacks, rucksacks or satchel type bags.
- No mobile phones, unless for exceptional circumstances (please write to the class teacher)
- A dark navy (plain) coat for bad weather.
- Packed lunches will be eaten in the classroom, please ensure the lunches contain healthy choices, no NUTs, sweets, chocolate etc.
- If you were provided with a laptop, please do not return this until you are advised to do so, you will be given a designated time slot in order for members of staff to inspect the condition of the device upon return.
- **The children will be expected to bring in the books containing all of their home learning.**
- Violins must be back in school by Wednesday 10th March.

West Ham Corner

It was always going to be a struggle against the runaway Premier League leaders. West Ham made the trip to Manchester in great form, but faced a City side who were looking to notch their 20th straight win in all competitions. The game played out as many expected with it being a battle between two of the most in-form teams in the league (Editor's note: who would have thought one could ever, ever write that about West Ham?!).



City made the break through with their first real attempt on target, as defender Dias got his head on the end of a driven cross into the box. Even an unbiased reporter might say that was against the run of play (with West Ham having hit the post already by this point) and so it was more than justified when the Hammers equalised in the 43rd minute through Antonio. He is quietly moving his way up the all time top scorers in West Ham's history list, although remains a few behind Vic Watson's record of 326 goals: 298 in the League and 28 in the FA Cup. Antonio now sits third in the table for West Ham goals in the Premier League though, just 3 behind Mark Noble and 8 behind everyone's favourite volatile Italian, Paolo Di Canio. Gosh that list contains some big hitters such as Todorov, Blanco, Porfirio, Maiga and winger Julien Faubert whose 1 goal in the Premier League was so well-thought-of, it earned him the most bizarre loan transfer to Real Madrid.

Oh, and Manchester City pinched an undeserved winner in the 68th minute through defender, John Stones.

Latest Cup Result: Manchester City 2 – 1 West Ham

League Position: 6th

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	Naomi	Year 3
5	Angeline	Year 3
6	Yashna	Year 5
7	Gurleen	Year 6
8	Daphne	Year 6
9	Gabriel	Year 4
10	Albert	Year 3

Community News



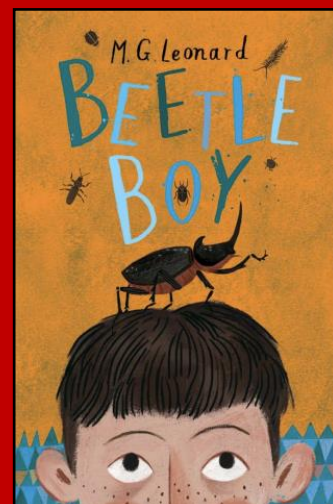
We would like to welcome three new members to our governing body.

Nathan Ferrol, Claret Arul and Andrew Pillai are bringing a variety of strengths to their roles and are most welcome to the SSPP community.

We look forward to working with them, using their guidance and support in the future.



Recommended Read Year 3



Can a boy be best friends with a beetle?

Thirteen-year-old Darkus Cuttle's search for his kidnapped father leads him to discover a mountain of extraordinary beetles, and pits him against the mad-scientist of the fashion world, Lucretia Cutter, an haute couture villainess with an alarming interest in insects. A darkly hilarious adventure full of exotic beetles, daring schemes, and true friendship.

If you liked this then try:

+ 'Beetle Queen' by MG Leonard

+ 'Pax' by Sara Pennypacker

Recent Tweets – @SSPP_Primary



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As a 'treat' on #WorldBookDay 📖 look out for your class story time where you will each take a trip to Grandpa Books' Bookshop for a special set of stories.
#SSPP



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It's here! Happy World Book Day. I don't know why we get quite so excited today, when quite frankly every day should be World Book Day! Here's to all the authors, illustrators and general storytellers who make us care.
#WorldBookDay 📖 #SSPP

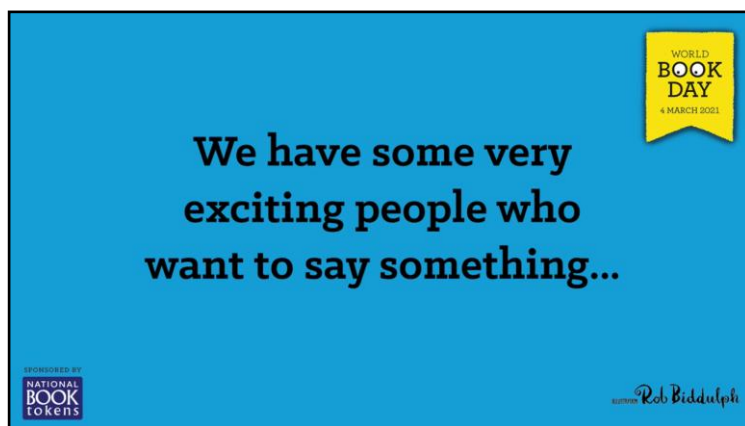
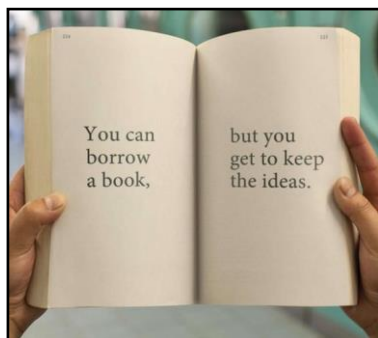


World Book Day 2021

Thursday 4th March saw us, and so many others up and down the country, celebrating World Book Day. Despite many children not being in school, there was still a chance to share stories and talk about the positive impact reading and stories can have.

If you didn't get the chance to, have a look at the following 30 minute YouTube video which is full of 153 authors saying hello and wishing you a happy World Book Day. See just how many authors you recognise from our wonderful Recommended Reads in each class.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgLAfk8Ck1M>



Return To School – Support Resources

Although some children have returned to school already, for many, the new spring term will be their first time stepping into a classroom since lock-down began. Understandably, this may be a strange or worrying time for both you and your child. We know that supporting children's mental well-being during the return to school is a key priority for us all so we have uploaded some resources onto our website to help you support your child's return to school.

To view the resources go to well-being section on our website and select 'COVID Well-being Resources' from the dropdown menu or click on this link.

<https://peterandpauls.schooljotter2.com/well-being/well-being-tips>

There are also some tips here you can try. These come from the

<https://www.traumainformedschools.co.uk/> website.



Preparing Your Child For the First Day Back in School

As schools begin to open to more children, parents and children may well be feeling anxious. Here's some ideas of how best to prepare.

Be Calm.

Your child will take their lead from you and be reassured if you are steady and matter of fact.



Be Curious.

These are strange times and their imagination may run away with them. Listen, and try not to dismiss or minimise their fears but validate how they are feeling – 'It's completely fine to feel like that at the moment' or 'I can really understand why you would feel like that'.



Be Positive.

Remind them of all the ways they have learnt to keep themselves safe: washing their hands regularly, sneezing and coughing into their elbow, not hugging others and staying in their own space.



Be Thankful.

Help your child think of things they are looking forward to: being with their friends, seeing their teacher, favourite activities but be mindful some of these may not be available for them.



Be Supportive

Younger children particularly may struggle with separation anxiety and may become tearful, clingy or act out. Reassure them that you will miss them too and think of them through out the day. It might be helpful to draw a little heart on their wrist and one on yours too. You can call it the hug button and when they find they are missing you they can press the heart and know that you will be doing the same at home. Sometimes having a little object to remind them of you through the day helps but please check this out with your school first.



Be Prepared.

Support your child to be aware of changes that may have happened to their classroom environment since they were there last and rehearse any new routines that school may have shared. Rehearse and practice your 'goodbye' routine and create a 'hello' greeting for the end of the day for them to look forward to.



World Book Day – Tokens

Don't forget that each child will be issued with a World Book Day Book Token when they return to school.

This allows them to pick up any of the fantastic titles seen here and swap their token for them, or they can be used to take £1.00 off many other titles.

These can be redeemed at many independent book stores (when they re-open) or at some of the major supermarkets who stock books.

These can be used until **Sunday 28th March 2021**. In 2021 participating booksellers will honour the tokens beyond the 28th March while stocks last



Space Mission Competition

Are you ready to be a part of an exciting space mission? ESA and Paxi are calling on space-inspired kids to help launch ESA's exciting new mission to Jupiter in style!



The JUpter ICy moons Explorer, or Juice, will study the largest planet in our Solar System, Jupiter. Launching in 2022, it will travel for almost 8 years before it arrives at its destination. It will spend 3 years investigating this giant gaseous planet and three of its largest moons, Ganymede, Callisto and Europa.

The **Juice Up Your Rocket!** art competition calls all kids up to 12 years old to help ESA create an illustration to decorate the huge Ariane 5 rocket that will launch the spacecraft on its long journey towards planet Jupiter.

Submit a drawing inspired by the Juice mission and by planet Jupiter and its gigantic moons. A jury of experts chaired by Paxi will select the most inspiring artwork. The winner's illustration will be printed on a giant sticker that will be placed on the fairing – that is the 'nose' – of the Ariane 5 rocket.

In 2022, the whole world will watch the impressive launch of this new exciting ESA mission to the outer Solar System, and everybody will have the chance to see the winning artwork! The winner, accompanied by a legal guardian, will also be invited to follow the live launch of Juice from one of the ESA establishments. Finally, the winning artwork and the top 11 entries will feature in the 2022 Juice calendar.

The competition starts today and will be open until **1st June 2021, 23:59 (CEST)**. For further details visit: [http://www.esa.int/kids/en/learn/Our_Universe/JUICE/Juice_Up_Your_Rocket%21 art competition](http://www.esa.int/kids/en/learn/Our_Universe/JUICE/Juice_Up_Your_Rocket%21_art_competition)

Redbridge Foodbank

Redbridge Foodbank is committed to provide the best service possible to people in crisis. Due to the new National Lockdown and rising infection rates - they have restructured their services.

REDBRIDGE FOODBANK
**NEW OPENING
TIMES**

Opening Times

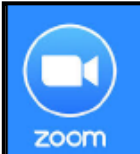
From the 13th January 2021, the Foodbank will be **closed on Mondays**.

The new Jubilee Church Distribution Centre opening times will be:

Tuesday: 12pm - 1pm; Wednesday: 2pm - 4pm; Saturday: 10am - 1pm

Please visit the 'Redbridge Foodbank' section of our 'Covid-19' menu on our School Website or the Borough website at:

<https://redbridge.foodbank.org.uk/>



FREE ONLINE WORKSHOPS FOR OUR REDBRIDGE PARENTS



We are back!

Parents actions to improve wellbeing during covid



Redbridge Educational Wellbeing Team will be delivering **free ONLINE** workshops to parents in Redbridge.

Workshops will be on

Date: Wednesday 3rd February

Time: 4.00pm - 5.00pm



Date: Thursday 25th February

Time: 10.00am - 11.00am



Please register your attendance by: scanning the QR code with your phone or visit the Redbridge council website and search Educational Psychology Service.

There are limited spaces for this session.

Understanding and supporting bereavement and loss



Workshops will be on

Date: Friday 12th February

Time: 1.00pm - 2.30pm



Date: Wednesday 17th March

Time: 4.30pm - 6.00pm



Please register your attendance by: scanning the QR code with your phone or visit the Redbridge council website and search Educational Psychology Service.

Workshops will be on

Date: Wednesday 10th March

Time: 1.30pm - 2.30pm



There are limited spaces for this session.

Date: Thursday 25th March

Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm



Understanding and supporting anxiety and low mood



Please register your attendance by: scanning the QR code with your phone or visit the Redbridge council website and search Educational Psychology Service.

For any more information or questions please email:
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