

SSPP School News

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BE THE LIGHT THAT HELPS OTHERS TO SEE



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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,

I hope you all enjoyed the half term break with your families, despite the disappointing weather. We offer our congratulations to Miss Bond who returned to school this week as a married lady; we wish her and her husband happiness always.

It is good to see the children have all returned to school wearing their winter uniform, may I politely remind you that children must have a waterproof coat in school; plain navy blue. We are now in the second half of the autumn term and fast approaching Christmas. In order for everyone to enjoy the festivities at such a special time of the year, we must remain vigilant to the Covid virus and try to protect ourselves and others. Children should not attend school if they have Covid symptoms, parents attending class assemblies or other crowded events must wear masks, all adults who visit the school must take a lateral flow test.

On Monday, the children enjoyed a brilliant road safety theatre show in school, presented by the Smart Brothers, who managed to make a serious topic very entertaining. With the early evenings now much darker it is essential that the children are encouraged to be sensible when crossing roads and take notice of the traffic around them; we encourage all parents to model good road safety to the children.

We are now celebrating our new Jesuit values 'Faith-filled & Hopeful'. The children will learn how to be faith-filled in their beliefs and to have faith and hope in others and for the future.

It was wonderful to see the youngest children in the school celebrating Diwali in Nursery; they produced beautiful candles to celebrate this fantastic Festival of Light.

Thank you to all the parents who have booked a parent consultation on Scopay; if you have changed your email address and not informed the school this may prevent you from booking an appointment. Please remember the appointments will take place on Tuesday 9th November, via Zoom and the school will be closed to pupils.

All communication now takes place via Google Classroom, it is essential you login on a regular basis for information, news etc. Your child must not change the password they were given by the class teacher, as this will prevent us from re-setting it if there is an issue.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend, please stay safe if your celebrations include fireworks. Happy Diwali to all our Sikh and Hindu families!

God Bless. Mrs Johnson Headteacher **Headteacher** Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 4th November Books home for one night

Friday 5th November
Prospective Parents Tour

Tuesday 9th NovemberParent Consultations — school closed to pupils

Monday 15th November Anti-Bullying Week begins

LINKS

School Website:

https://www.sspeterandpauls.redb ridge.sch.uk/

School Blogs:

https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net

UNICEF Article 14

Every child has the right to think and believe what they want and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights.



Jesuit Pupil Profile Virtues: Autumn 2: Faith-filled & Hopeful

Gospel Reflection



In Sunday's gospel, Jesus tells the disciples "Watch out for the teachers of the Law, they take advantage of widows and rob them of their homes; their punishment will be all the worse!" As Jesus sat near the temple treasury, he watched the people as they dropped in their money. Many rich men dropped in a lot of money; a poor widow came along and dropped in two little copper coins, he called his disciples together and said to them, "I tell you that this poor widow put more in the offering box than all the others. For the others put in what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, put in all she had—she gave all she had to live on." The woman gave everything that she had. While the people who had lots of money just gave a little bit of what they had left over. Jesus wants us to be generous and to share what we have with others. Jesus also shows us in this reading that everyone has something to give.

Prayer for the week

God of light, help us to share generously and to see how important and special each person's gifts are; help us to share what we have, so that all people may have enough. Amen.

Star Pupil Awards		
N	Gabriella & Jesleen	
RM	Aniston	
RS	Shayaan	
1A		
1M	Haniyaah	
21	Zahra	
2P	Lucas	
3C	Hope	
3S	Anusha	
4B	Joshua	
4W		
5C	Gabriel	
5\$		
6B	Niamh	
6R	Jasleen	



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Upcoming Dates

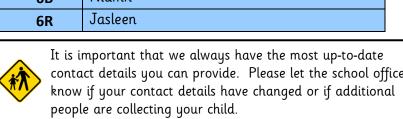
Tuesday 9th November is our online Parent Consultation Day. School is closed to pupils all day for these meetings which are being held over Zoom.

Attendance w/e 5th November ?%

Weekly attendance data will return next week

Monday 15th November sees the start of Anti-Bullying Week







School Games Values Certificates

We look forward to issuing more certificates in

Jesuit Pupil Profile Virtues - Autumn 2

Our next two values are: Faith-filled and Hopeful

Further details about the meaning behind these virtues can be found on the School Website.



"When you walk to the edge of all the light you have and take that first step into the darkness of the unknown, you must believe that one of two things will happen.

There will be something solid for you to stand upon or you will be taught to fly."

Patrick Overton, The Learning Tree (1975)

For us, the second half of the autumn term always feels like a shift in the seasons; summer seems long gone and now that the clocks have changed, we head into a period of much darker days and nights. It is also at this time though, that we work towards Advent, a time of great preparation and hope.



SCHOOL NEWS

Road Safety Show

Children across the school were treated to a road safety show this week. A different performance was given for EYFS/KS1 and then KS2, tailoring their message so that it was appropriate for the audience.

KS2 were reminded how important it is to look, listen and think when it comes to crossing the road.

With the nights getting darker, we hope they make practical use of the information given, in order to keep themselves safe as they travel home.



Rights Respecting / Global Action – Miss Ionita's Weekly Information

In our school council meeting this week, we discussed our findings on 'sustainability' and how we can take this forward in our school. Some councillors were given the opportunity to share their findings with their class peers, idea which the other councillors want to take to their own classes.

Another project that we will carry ahead is the implementation of a rights respecting 'book club'. The councillors were offered a book to start with and share with each other as a trial then they will feedback on their opinions about it being a lunch time club which will be ran by them, a few times a week.

Lastly, the councillors want to take their worries about climate change to a very important and famous person. The letter will highlight their worries about climate change and their opinions about the agreements which will take place at COP26, this week in Glasgow. They will all write a letter and bring it to school to make it a part of the collective letter which will be sent. We are keeping the name of the famous person secret for now but watch this space, we will publish the letter soon!

Thank you for your continuous support!

The School Council.



West Ham Corner

Let's see, what is there to talk about since the last newsletter?

Maybe we could dedicate the column to yet another Europa League win which saw the Hammers score another 3 goals with none conceded against FC Genk meaning they are riding high at the top of their group.

Or perhaps we could talk about beating Tottenham 1 - 0 in the league three days later.

No, I know, we can focus on knocking holders Manchester City out of the League Cup using our B team, despite the fact they hadn't lost in that tournament since 2016!

Actually let's just stick with the last game, a 1 - 4 away stonking of Aston Villa who had the cheek to equalise and make it 1-1 for part of the game. The latest win sees us in 4^{th} place in the Premier League, level on points with 3^{rd} placed Manchester City. This fluke set of results and definitely only because there were no fans in the stadium does not seem to be playing out as the experts predicted.

Latest Result: Aston Villa 1 – 4 West Ham United League Position: 4th

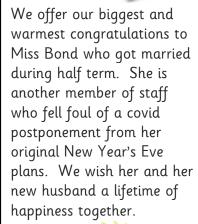


🎉 Top Ten

These are the current SSPP top ten pupils:

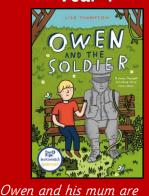
Rank	Name	Year Group
1	Sofiya	Year 4
2	Sereni	Year 6
3	Angeline	Year 4
4	Naomi	Year 4
5	Timothy	Year 4
6	Elijah	Year 6
7	Yashna	Year 6
8	Fatima	Year 4
9	Albert	Year 4
10	Bhavagnya	Year 3

Community News





Recommended Read Year 4



struggling. It's just the two of them at home now and they're finding it difficult to ask for the help they need.

When Owen discovers a crumbling stone soldier in the local park, it feels like he finally has someone he can talk to about his worries.

But the town council can't see how important the soldier is and they want to remove him.

Owen is scared that he'll be left on his own again, but can he find the courage he needs to save the soldier before it's too late?

If you liked this then try:

- + 'The Boy Who Fooled The World' by Lisa Thompson
- + 'When The Sky Falls' by Phil Earle
- + 'When We Were Warriors' by Emma Carroll



Recent Tweets - @SSPP_Primary



Time for the Smart Brothers KS2 safety roadshow. Such important messages being shared. #SSPP

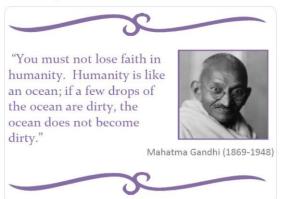




At the start of Autumn 2 we are looking at our next focussed virtues. For Autumn 2, these are being Faithfilled and Hopeful.

@TGSCTrust

#JesuitPupilProfile #Virtues





Author Book Match



Neil Gaiman

- + Coraline
- + The Graveyard Book
- + Stardust
- + The Sleeper and the Spindle

Year 2 - Science

This week Year 2 were given the challenge to make a boat to transport fruit in. The boat needed to stay afloat and keep the fruit dry. As part of our new approach to assessment in science, the children had to come up with their own solution with limited input from the adults. They chose materials based on their knowledge of waterproof and absorbent materials and then constructed their boat. Then as a class we tested whether each one would float...or not! What materials would you make your boat out of?







Reminder

School is closed to pupils (all day) next Tuesday (9th November) for Parent Consultation Day – the appointments for which are being held over Zoom. Check your child's Google Classroom for the login codes and details.

Reception - Handa's Surprise

In October, as part of Black History Month, the children in Reception were asked to recreate the front cover of the book Handa's Surprise during the half term. The children brought them into school this week and produced some amazing front covers!

Here are a few examples from RS and thank you to the parents and carers for helping with this project. There will be more projects to come throughout the year.















Parent Consultations

These will once again be taking place remotely via Zoom.

They will run all day on Tuesday 9th November 2021.

You are now able to log into Scopay to book your **10 minute consultation**. These appear as 15 minute options throughout the day, to allow time to admit each set of parents at the correct time.

Your child's Maths, Big Writing, RE and Reciprocal Reading book will come home for one evening on Thursday 4th November to allow you to have seen them before your appointment.



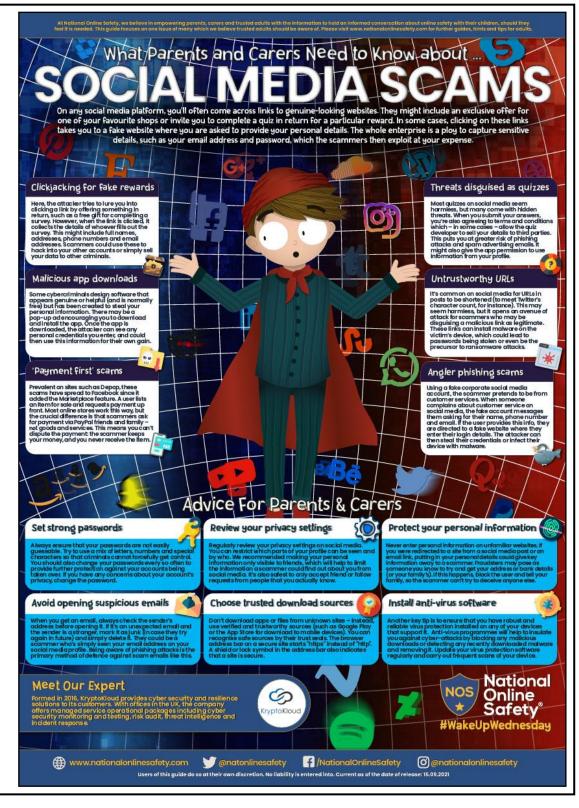
Online Safety

As part of our continued drive to offer advice and support for all aspects of digital/online safety, we are going to showcase weekly information from the National Online Safety resources which can be found at:

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/

On any social media platform, you'll often come across links to genuinelooking websites. They might include an exclusive offer for one of your favourite shops or invite you to complete a quiz in return for a particular reward. In some cases, clicking on these links takes you to a fake website where you are asked to provide your personal details. The whole enterprise is a ploy to capture sensitive details, such as your email address and password, which the scammers then exploit at your expense.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as phishing scams, untrustworthy URLs and 'payment first' scams.





Google Classrooms - Help Sheet

What is Google Classroom?



Google Classroom is a class-organisation platform that incorporates Google's core G Suite (Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drive) and other Google products so students can access everything they need for a class, including homework assignments, group projects and files. Google Classroom is designed for organisation and collaboration. We will be using Google Classroom to assign homework as well as within school to improve children's digital literacy.

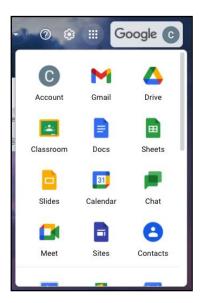
How do you log into a Google Classroom?

Your child has been given a username (email address) and a password, these should be stuck inside their communication or homework books. You have also received an email and/or text with the information. To access it you can search 'Google login', once you have logged in using the username and password you have access to email, classroom and Google drive (a storage system that uses the Google version of Word, Excel and PowerPoint).

When you log in look for the 'waffle' (the nine dots).



You will then see these options and you select 'Classroom'



Each class is private to the people the teacher has personally invited, including the students enrolled in that class and other teachers. Once your child has accessed a class, they can use all the features the teacher has enabled for that class, including class schedules, assignments and announcements.

Can you use Google Classroom at home?

Children can access Google Classroom from anywhere, including from their phones or tablets, when they download the Google Classroom app.

How does my child find out about new stuff posted in Google Classroom?

Your child will receive an email when the teacher posts an announcement. These emails come through your child's email account, not solely in the Classroom. Classrooms do not alert you when an assignment is due; to keep track of deadlines, kids need to check the class calendar.