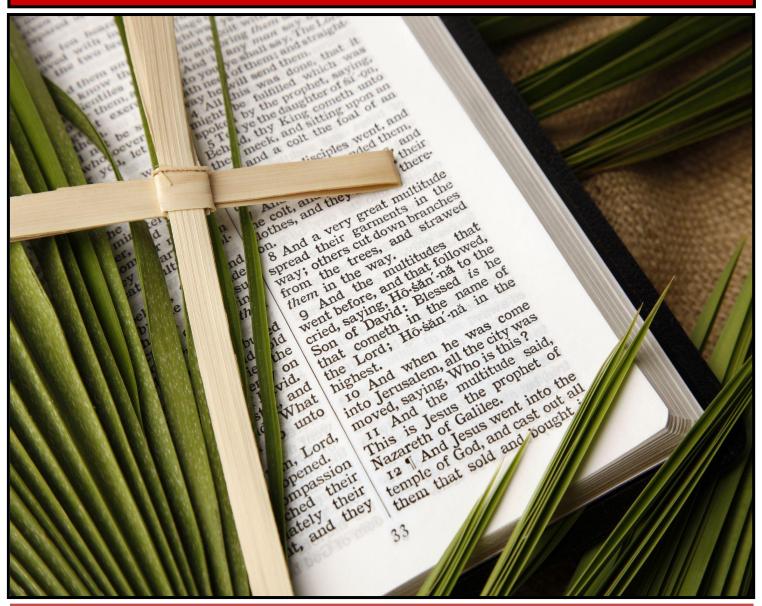


SSPP School News

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ONE BENEFIT OF SUMMER IS THAT WE HAVE MORE LIGHT TO READ BY



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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,

Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and spent some quality time with your families. It is a good time to reflect on the last few years, when Covid restrictions were in place, limiting interactions with extended family and friends. The local authority has issued some advice around 'Living with Covid'. Although routine testing is no longer necessary, the advice is to test children if they are experiencing Covid symptoms; if they test positive they should isolate for three days and remain at home.

The children should now be wearing summer uniform, for the girls this is the blue gingham dress with white socks, not tights. Please see the full uniform list on the school website, the children should not wear a mix of winter and summer uniform. Sensible hairstyles please, no beads, shaved or patterned hairstyles.

Many meetings have taken place across the school this week with the senior leadership team and teachers, reporting on the children's progress. It was no surprise to hear that in many cases, the children who are not making expected progress are the children with low attendance and poor punctuality. May I politely remind you that children should not take time out of school for any reason, unless they are unwell.

We are pleased to inform you, that now the Covid restrictions have been lifted we are in a position to invite parents into school. A meeting for Reception parents will take place on Friday 29th May at 2pm. It would be fantastic to see as many parents as possible to meet with the teachers find out about the learning in the Early Years, and enjoy some refreshments.

As a school we have worked very hard to develop our sensory garden; therefore it is disappointing to see some children running through the garden and jumping on the furniture at the end of the day; we have had some plants damaged recently. Please do not allow your children to run off when you collect them at the end of the day, equally, scooters and bikes should be collected after you have picked up your child.

Monday, 2nd May is a bank holiday and the children will not be in school, on Tuesday we dedicate the month of May to Our Lady, with our usual Marian Procession in school. I kindly ask the children to bring in flowers or a simple flower from their garden, to lay in our prayer garden at the feet of 'Our Lady of Walsingham' statue.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

God bless

Mrs Johnson Headteacher **Headteacher** Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 19th April Summer Term Begins

Thursday 28th April 2I Class Assembly

Monday 2nd May Bank Holiday Monday

Thursday 5th May 1A Class Assembly

Monday 9th May KS2 SATs Week Begins

LINKS

School Website:

https://www.sspeterandpauls.redb

School Blogs:

https://sspeterandpaulsblog.net

UNICEF Article 38

Governments must do everything they can to protect and care for children affected by war.
Governments must not allow children under the age of 15 to take part in war or join the armed forces.

Jesuit Pupil Profile Virtues: Summer 1: Eloquent & Truthful



Gospel Reflection (John 20:19-31)

The doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, "Peace be with you," and showed them his hands and his side. He said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you." After saying this he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained." Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, "We have seen the Lord", he answered, "Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe." Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. "Peace be with you," he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, "Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe." Thomas replied, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe." We all have times when we can be a bit like Thomas. When we find it hard to believe in God and his love for us. Times when we are not really sure if God really is here with us, but God is always with us, even though we can't see him.

Prayer for the week

God of peace, watch over those who face violence in their daily lives. Help us to be forgiving and to do what we can to bring peace to others. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Star Pupil Awards		
N	Angelo	
RM		
RS		
1A	Aaron	
1M	Roxanna	
21	Diyan	
2P	Eleanor	
3C	Jack	
3S	Vandana	
4B	Teeyasia	
4W	Roman	
5C	Nayla	
58	Malachi	
6B	Armaan	
6R	Irene	

Class	% (Target 95.5%) Class attendance percentages since the 4th September 2020 Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%		
RM			
RS	Our weekly		
1A	attendance figures		
1M	will return next		
21			
2P	week.		
3C			
35			
4B			
4W			
5C			
5 S			
6B			
6R			



It is important that we always have the most up-to-date contact details you can provide. Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed or if additional people are collecting your child.

School Games Values Certificates

Look out for more certificates soon.



Upcoming Dates

Thursday 28th April 2I Class Assembly

Monday 2nd May Bank Holiday Monday

Thursday 5th May 1A Class Assembly

Monday 9th May KS2 SATs Week begins



House Points Totals	House
NEWMAN	2055
MANNING	1413
VAUGHAN	1668
WISEMAN	1975



SCHOOL NEWS

Saint of the Week: Saint Anselm of Canterbury c.1033-1109

This week's saint was a scholar bishop in the mold of the educated churchmen of an earlier time. Saint Anselm was a world-class thinker, a politically aware defender of the Church's rights, a contemplative monk, a faithful son of the pope, and the greatest philosopher of the eleventh century.

Anselm's life began among the Alps of today's Northern Italy, a land of jagged, snow-encrusted mountains which stand over the green valleys below. One night the boy Anselm, asleep in his remote valley home, had a vision. He was called to the court of God on a high summit. Ascending to the very peak of a mountain, he entered the presence of the royal court and sat at the feet of the Master. God asked the boy who he was and where he came from. Anselm answered well and was rewarded with sweet bread from heaven. And then he woke up. Anselm never forgot this dream. He recounted it, in detail, many decades later, to the fellow monk who wrote his first biography. Saint Anselm's mind never really came down from that high court he first visited in a childhood dream.

We ask your intercession, Saint Anselm, to help our faith to understand its object. You did not leave man's sense of wonder unchallenged but sought to organise human thought to meet the challenge of God. Help all thinkers to be open to finding as much as searching.



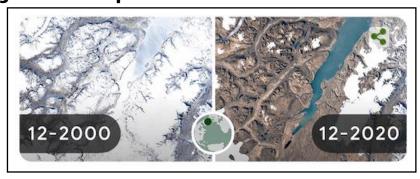
Rights Respecting / Global Action – Miss Ionita's Weekly Information

Earth Day 2022 - April 22nd

Earth Day, celebrated annually on April 22, is a reminder to protect the environment, restore damaged ecosystems and live a more sustainable life. First celebrated in 1970, this year marks its 52^{nd} anniversary.

Look at two pictures showing the changes that have taken place in the Arctic since the year 2000.

Climate change refers to long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns. These shifts may be natural, but since the 1800s, human activities have been the main driver of climate change, primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels (like coal, oil and gas), which produces heat-trapping gases.



Effects >

From the United Nations

Warmer temperatures over time are changing weather patterns and disrupting the usual balance of nature. This poses many risks to human beings and all other forms of life on Earth.

Hotter temperatures

Actions From <u>UN ActNow</u>

Me Me

More severe storms

S S

Save energy at home



Increased drought



Walk, cycle or take public transport



Eat more vegetables

West Ham Corner

After a little April Fool's day merriment (see elsewhere in the newsletter) we return to normality again now to follow the massive West Ham.

It was supposed to be too much for us, after all, our last European success came in the 99/00 season, where we managed to negotiate a multiple winner tournament then known as the Intertoto Cup. Prior to that, in the 64/65 season (after winning the FA Cup) we won the UEFA Cup Winners Cup, beating 1860 Munich at Wembley. Our other final appearance was in 1976, where we lost to Anderlecht 4-2. So European experience and pedigree is not something necessarily associated with West Ham.

We went to Lyon after a 1–1 draw in the home leg a week earlier, missing Creswell through suspension. It was meant to be a step too far; Lyon looked odds on to book a semi-final date with the mighty Barcelona. Only, it didn't work out that way. West Ham were magnificent, winning 3–0 away from home; Barcelona tripped up despite hosting Eintracht Frankfurt in the second leg of their $\frac{1}{4}$ final at home, losing 4-3 on aggregate. So we both march into the first leg of our semi-final clash on the 28th April.

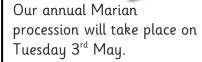
League Position: 7th Latest Result: West Ham United 1 – 1 Burnley



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	Moriah	Year 5
5	Naomi	Year 4
6	Moriah	Year 5
7	Jessica	Year 4
8	Elijah	Year 6
9	Sirat	Year 6
10	Harleen	Year 4

Community News

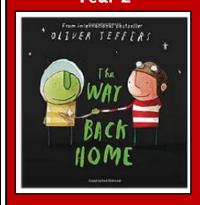


On this day we give praise to Mary, the mother of Jesus.

We ask our pupils to bring in flowers that will be left as an offering in the prayer garden, where we will display our statue of Mary.

Children should bring this in on the day to be used.

Recommended Read Year 2



Once there as a boy, and one day, he found an aeroplane in his cupboard. He didn't remember leaving it in there, but he thought he'd take it out for a go right away. At first, all went well and the plane flew higher and higher and higher until suddenly, with a splutter, it ran out of petrol. The boy was stuck on the moon and he was not alone.

If you liked this then try:

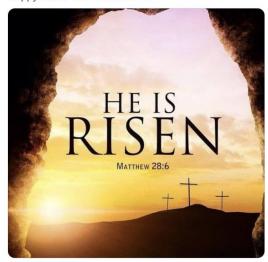
- + 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers
- + 'Man on the Moon A Day In The Life of Bob' by Simon Bartram
- + 'Beegu' by Allexis Deacon
- + 'The Darkest Dark' by Chris Hadfield



Recent Tweets - @SSPP_Primary



Happy Easter from all at SSPP.





What an amazing discovery to start the summer term. There are 10 eggs in our SSPP bird box! The signs had looked promising as the nest began to be built up over the previous weeks, and now we wait. #SSPP #BirdBox #Spring

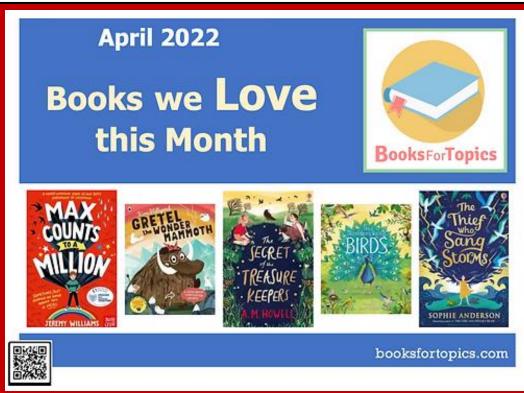






+ 'Rainbow Magic' Series

'Daisy Meadows' is a collective pseudonym used for many different authors who contribute to the Rainbow Magic series of books. These include Linda Chapman, Narinder Dahami, Rachel Elliot, Lucy Diamond, Karen Ball and many, many more.



It's easy to feel lost in the flood of so many new children's books available. Each month, Books For Topics pick five recently published favourites.

Visit:

https://www.book sfortopics.com/ booksofthemonth

to see reviews of this month's choices.

April

April Fools'

Did you notice in the last Newsletter of the Spring Term our April Fools' Joke?

We alluded to the fact we would be forging on with a Tottenham Hotspur corner to replace our beloved West Ham one. This was of course an April Fool's joke.

It mentioned that there were transfer rumours about players like both Mbappé and Haaland looking to make the move to Tottenham.

Not even in their wildest dreams will they be buying players like that, their main focus this summer will be on replacing Kane when he inevitably looks for a better team.





Uniform

Now that the weather has begun to consistently improve, please take the time to remind yourselves of our uniform policy. This can be found on our School Website under the 'Parents' menu.



Remember that at SSPP the choice is either full winter or summer uniform, your child should not be in a combination of both.

Ensure that you choose appropriate school shoes (not boots or trainer styles).

We advise children to still come to school with a waterproof coat, as it has been cold even when the sun has been out in recent days.

Happy St George's Day

St George's Day takes place on 23rd April, which is traditionally seen as the date of his death in AD 303.



St George is the Patron Saint of Scouting.

His emblem, a red cross on a white background was adopted by Richard The Lionheart and brought to England in the 12th century, when the King's soldiers wore it on their tunics to avoid confusion in battle.

Aside from England, other countries that celebrate St George's Day include Canada, Croatia, Portugal, Cyprus, Greece, Georgia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Romania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the Republic of Macedonia.

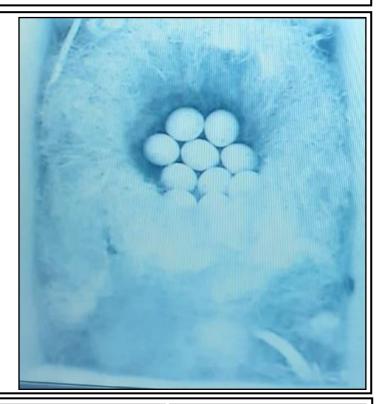
The most famous legend of St George is of him slaying a dragon, with the dragon commonly used to represent the Devil in the Middle Ages. The slaying of the dragon by St George was first credited to him in the 12th century, long after his death.

SSPP Bird Box

Even more egg-citing news! After returning from the Easter Holiday, we are so pleased to announce that there are now 10 eggs in the bird box. We had hoped this might happen, as the nesting process was clearly taking place in the weeks prior to this.

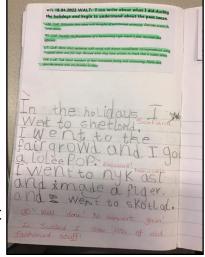
The link to our bird box live stream (which we are pushing the company to sort out) will be found here:

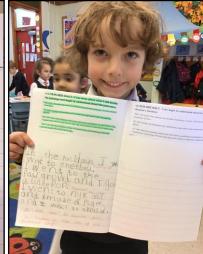
http://www.seenature.org.uk/schools/stpeters-and-pauls-primary/



RS - Holiday Writing

In Reception, we have been discussing what we got up to in the Easter holidays. Lots of the children went on trips in the UK and it was lovely to hear all about them! Thank you to all those parents and carers who emailed pictures to the class teachers, as they really help the children talk about what they have experienced.





Reception - PE Dance

This term in Reception, the child have started to rehearse a selection of dances, which we then perform to the parents at the end of the school year. The children were so good at listening to instructions and following the teacher. Well done Reception!









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/

With 2.9 billion users, Facebook, owned by the recently rebranded Meta, is the world's most popular social media platform. It encourages interaction with other people by (among other things) adding them as friends, reacting to or commenting on their content, sharing images and videos, posting status updates, joining groups and playing games. Facebook is free, and anyone over 13 can join but with no age verification, younger children can easily create an account: it's likely your child is already familiar with the platform, even if they don't yet use it themselves.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as cyberbullying, strangers and the addictive nature of Facebook.





Reception - Cheese Sticks

In Reception we have been looking at the story 'The Little Red Hen'. In January, we all made our own milk bread, remembering important vocabulary such as kneading, stirring and plaiting. This week we have remembered this knowledge, and built on it, making our own cheese sticks! The children had to use some different ingredients this time, making sure that they build on those important motor skills by cutting, mixing, sprinkling and even measuring!

This is all in preparation for our visit to the farm in May.

We used different ingredients for sprinkling, including sea salt and sesame, cumin and chia seeds.



Jesuit Pupil Profile - Summer 1

Our values for this Half Term are **Eloquent** & **Truthful**.

As we enter the summer term, we are at a stage of the year where children are being asked to draw together all of their previous teaching. We know that to be eloquent means to be able to speak or write fluently, persuasively and appropriately. We encourage our children to use language to express their ideas or opinions clearly and with conviction. At SSPP, our ethos promotes the concept that when we choose our words, we should do so carefully so they are kind and compassionate, and don't hurt others.

We know that children can express themselves in other ways like music, drama, painting or dance. We want them to use their creative gifts to say things in a way that is interesting, truthful, memorable and faithful.

Knowing that God wants us to be truthful in all we do means when we are, we are following in Jesus' footsteps, living life the way God wants us to. Being truthful is being faithful to ourselves and to Jesus. We should stand up for the truth.

Summer 1 sees us move into our 'Relationships' PSHE topic. Our Marian procession at the start of May offers thanks to Mary. At this time, children express their admiration and gratitude to Mary through donations of flowers. Summer 1 also sees our end-of-keystage tests take place in Year 2 and Year 6; at this time, children are given the opportunity to eloquently express themselves and all they have learned during their time at SSPP.

Jesuit schools "aim at an education in perfect eloquence . . . for speaking, for style, and for scholarly learning."

The Jesuit Ratio Studiorum (1599)



Redbridge Emotional Welling Mental Health Services



Anna Freud Centre Resources

- Lingo booklet: provides insight into the experiences of young people when talking to adults/professionals about their mental health https://www.annafreud.org/mental-health-professionals/improving-help/resources/lingo/
- Talking mental health with young people in primary school: https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/advice-for-parents-and-carers-talking-mental-health-with-young-people-at-primary-school/
- Talking mental health with young people in secondary school: https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/advice-for-parents-and-carers-talking-mental-health-with-young-people-at-secondary-school/
- Supporting children's transition into secondary school: Guidance for parents/carers: evidence-based guidance package for parents that was written with input from clinicians at the AFC and teachers. https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/supporting-childrens-transition-to-secondary-school-guidance-for-parents-and-carers/



Child Psychotherapy

• Understanding childhood: contains a series of leaflets written by experienced Child and Adolescent Psychotherapists to give parents, grandparents, carers and professionals additional insight into children's feelings and view of the world and to help make sense of their behavior. https://childpsychotherapy.org.uk/resources-families/understanding-childhood



Redbridge EWMHS/CAMHS

- ADHD Resources for parents: with information on organizations that parents can refer to for extra support for their child, including support in the education section, parenting programs, and online courses for parents/carers. (attached)
- Official Redbridge EWMHS/CAMHS Resource Booklets https://www.nelft.nhs.uk/redbridge-camhs



Young Minds

- Apart from having great resources for parents/carers regarding young people's mental health, they also have a parenting support helpline that you are able to call.
 - Offer advice to parents/carers concerned about their child's mental health up to the age of 25.
 - Helpline: 0808 802 5544 (9:30am-4pm Monday to Friday) FREE
 - Webchat service (9:30am-4pm Monday to Friday) on bottom right hand corner, click the webchat icon
 - Email service (temporarily closed)
 - o Parents Helpline | Mental Health Help for Your Child | YoungMinds



Gov.Uk

- UK Government website also has a section called the Education Hub where they provide lists of resources for children, students, parents, school staff that you can access for free.
- Mental health resources for children, students, parents, carers and school/college staff The Education Hub (blog.gov.uk)

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.

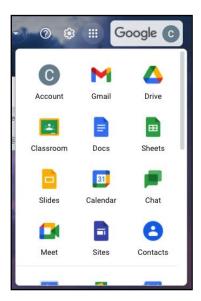
How do you log into a Google Classroom?

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.