

## St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary

### Rock Bottom

The Year 6 children served us up a feast of music, dance and outrageous puns on Thursday evening with their lavish and hilarious production of Rock Bottom.

It was a wonderful way to end their primary career and we wish them all much deserved success as they move on to their secondary schools.

Thanks to Mrs Lorimer, Miss McDonald and all the Year 6 staff who inspired the children for this spectacular evening and to Mrs Pitts whose artistic contributions to sets and props was evident throughout.



### Multi-Cultural Day

Well done to the parents who helped organise and all who participated in our multi-cultural celebration on Friday. With a chance to savour foods from around the world and entertainment provided by our Irish, Hungarian and African dances as well as Steel Pans– the day was a massive success. Well done to all who dressed to impress in their cultural attire !



### ECO NEWS

Thank you for all for supporting our Battery Hunt project. As a school we have collected over 1,300 batteries to be recycled and the number continues to grow.

We are pleased to see that the Plant Pot Swap is being used to re-use plastic. Please continue to support us in these projects. Together as a school community we are beginning to make a difference to the environment.

To acknowledge the efforts we have made in school, **we have achieved our Bronze Award for Eco-Schools** to recognise the start of our journey in becoming a more sustainable school.

Mrs Keily– Hardy



With the summer holidays fast approaching, why not try some clever ways to reuse plastic bottles to create a project with the children!



### That Winning Habit!!

Our children can't stop winning trophies this year and the latest one came at the Croydon dance festival 'let Your Feet Compete', at Trinity school last Thursday.

Our Year 6 dance group won great accolades from the judges and performed a routine that was amazing in its creativity, synchronicity and seamless transitions; all based around the theme of computer games.

A big thanks to Sophie, our dance teacher, who choreographed the dance and to Miss McDonald and Miss Lomasney who gave up their time on the evening of the dance festival to support the Year 6 children.



### Staff News

As many of you will know, Miss Courcey has been off school since Easter and is now recuperating at home. This means that she will continue to be absent from school for an extended and as yet undetermined period of time. Thank you for all your good wishes and prayers for her speedy recovery.

We welcome Mrs Joy Skidmore and Mrs Sulette Smit to our teaching staff.

Mrs Skidmore is a very experienced teacher who has worked in other Catholic schools in Croydon. She will be taking responsibility for a Year 4 class from September 2019.

Mrs Smit is arriving this summer from South Africa and will be teaching in Year 3.

### **WEBSITE PHOTOS**

New photos have been taken of our children in class and around the school. These will appear on our website– scrolling window– over the next week.  
Do keep an eye out for these wonderful new images of our school.

### **Photos on Social Media**

It has come to the school's attention that photos of children (and teachers) taken during school events are appearing on social media sites such as Facebook. We would like to remind parents that as stated in our school's Social Media Policy, 'Parents should not upload pictures or videos of children taken during a school event without the express permission of the parents/carers of all children in the image.' We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

### **Open Days and Admissions for Reception places in 2020**

If your child is due to start school in September 2020 and you are considering our school, please note we have a number of dates set aside when you can visit us. During these times, we would be pleased to show you around and explain how to make your application.

We do not recommend bringing babies or buggies as the tour includes seeing all classrooms, both upstairs and downstairs, and school will be in session during the visit (apart from our evening event on 31 October).

To book a place on one of our open events listed below, please call the school office on 020 8654 3006.

All visits start at 9.30am prompt. They usually last around an hour and are led by the Head teacher or a senior manager.

**Thursday 26 September 2019 (9.30am)**

**Thursday 17th October 2019 (9.30am)**

**Thursday 31 October 2019 (7.00pm)**

For more information on admissions, please read our  
**Admissions Policy 2019-2020**

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

# **SPACE CHASE**

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

The Reading Agency and Croydon Libraries present the Space Chase Summer Reading Challenge 2019. An out-of-this-world adventure inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landings. Keep Croydon children reading and active over the summer, and join the Space Chase at your local library! Encourage your child to read SIX books to complete the challenge and they'll be entered into a prize draw, with the chance to win a Kindle Fire kindly donated by dotdigital.

Croydon Libraries will be hosting a wide range of activities for 4 – 11 years olds.

Visit the Summer Reading Challenge website too for more inspiration

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

### **Secondary Transfer Information Evening**

There will be a meeting in the school hall for **current Year 5 parents** (Year 6 from September 19) to discuss the process for applying to secondary schools

Date: Thursday 5 September 2019 at 7.00pm. (please do not bring children)

We hope to have representatives from some of our Catholic secondary schools attending.

**PUT the date in your diary!!**

Please see next year's **class placements for September 2019** below. The children met their new teachers and visited their new classroom today so I'm sure they will want to speak about it!!

Class Name July 2019	Class Name Sept 2019	Teacher Sept 2019
	Butterflies	Mrs Clarke
	Ladybirds	Miss Earl
Class A	St Elizabeth	Mrs Fewtrell
Class B	St Joseph	Miss Marshall
St Joseph	St Anne	Miss Nelson- Bird
St Elizabeth	St Francis	Mrs McFeat
St Francis	St Peter	Mrs Haywood- White & Mrs Smit
St Anne	St Bernadette	Miss Carter
St Peter	St Therese	Mrs Broom
St Bern	St Paul	Ms Skidmore
St Therese	St Martin	Mrs Longhurst
St Paul	St Cecilia	Mrs Lee
St James	St Barbara	Mr Fernandes- Bonnar
St Martin	St Brigid	Miss McDonald
St Cecilia	St Benedict	Mrs Lorimer

**Congratulations to our BECKET AWARD WINNERS summer 2019**

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>BECKET</u>	<u>BECKET</u>	<u>PRESENTATION</u>	<u>GOOD SAMARITAN</u>
Butterflies	Phoebe Kurz	Olive Stewart	Jude Green	Maja Lingo
Ladybirds	Annabelle Kendeck	Ethan Atuhaire	Ashley Loubao	Aria McCarthy
St Elizabeth	Aseda Obeng	Zoe Sheridan	Naomi Adams-Grace	Kahvelle Bezzina-Johnson
St Joseph	Isabella Pisano	Kacper Marchut	Henrika-Rose Pratt	Roxy Leiper-Taylor
St Francis	Eabha Rawlinson	Rosie Fernandes-Bonnar	Angelina Frade	Julia Jakubiec
St Anne	Mya Asare	Oliver Lees	Lydia Bourzoukou	Neevh Gonsalves
St Bernadette	Lottie Sequeira	Jaivon Butler-Martin	Benji Hayes	Jonah McGrath
St Peter	Samantha Kamara	Jason Okugbe	Elijah Dinsey	Elize Famodun
St Paul	Connie Bennett	Olivia Matias	James Thompson	Aariyan Law
St Therese	Polly Hesketh- blower	Lukas Cadar	Eoin Contreras	Lisa-Marie Momoh-Gaya
St James	Amelia Rose	Daniel Doyle	Anton Cohen	Jorge Smith
St Martin	Nana Obeng	Maeve Gallagher	Harvey Minns	Aena Bourzoukou
St Cecilia	Nykosi Dotting	Gabriella Brown	Kebron Allison	Olivia Wrght
St Brigid	Ethan Otokito	Ines Hunneybun	Somaya Moss	Lucy-Anne Momoh-Gaya
St Benedict	Nyomi Dinsey	Tyron Adu-Yeboah	Malakai Roynon	Manfred Schroder

School finishes for the term on **Tuesday 23 July at 2.00pm**  
 Children start back to school on **Wednesday 4 September 2019**

**Have a safe and happy summer break!!**