



As we get closer to the end of term, the school has been a hive of activity this week with the infant nativity being the highlight. Fr Keith came to celebrate mass for us on Tuesday for advent; thanks to the prayer leaders for leading on the liturgy. We also had lots of Yr 5 & 6 children doing us proud in a variety of sporting competitions. We hope to see you all at the STBSA craft fair later. Have a lovely weekend.

Infant Nativity

A really big well done to all of our Yr 1 and Yr 2 children who put on four fantastic nativity performances this week for their parents & carers and for the rest of the school. The children acted, sang and danced with confidence belieing their years. Their songs had everyone smiling and tapping their feet and of course it was a great way of reminding everyone.

Thanks for all the lovely feedback from guests – the staff have worked as hard as the children to put the performance together so your kind words are very much appreciated.



Becket Awards Autumn 2023

Well done to all of our pupils who were honoured with a Becket Award, Certificate of Excellence or Good Samaritan award at our awards ceremony on Monday.



Becket Award

Laurence & Isabelle
Emilia & Devansh
Oscar & Zofia
Adam & Yara
Sophie & Tyler
Gabrielle & Aaron J
Talía & Ethan
Davidson & Cece
Jason & Nell
Aaron & Lilya
Isabella & Nicholai
Marvellous & Aine
Roxy & Linus
Aseda & Flaviana

Certificate of Excellence

Prince
Naeto
Bernardo
Alex M
Gianluca
Mariyam
Beatrice
Clarissa
Anneliese
Noah
Jude
Zach
Emelia
Holly

Good Samaritan

Sarai-Dean
Sophia
Brody
Lucia
Maia
Giovanni
Mia
Nova Raine
Abilene
Ava
Amara
Hollie
Dominion
Layla

Uniform reminders and clarifications

A few parents have asked about earmuffs recently. They are not listed on the school uniform policy and therefore are not allowed.

A woolly hat is an optional item of the school uniform and this should offer ample protection against the cold. Hats are in stock in the school office costing £5.

Also, shoes should not go above the ankle and coats or anoraks should be plain black, navy blue or dark grey.

Shooting Stars



Butterflies
Ladybirds
St Joseph
St Elizabeth
St Francis
St Anne
St Peter

Kanaan Griffith
Leo Daniels-Timmins
Alex Moore
Benjamin Oniye-Thomas
Isabella Akinyemi
Esmae Yeates-Walker-O'hara
Lily Dormer-Annand

St Bernadette
St Paul
St Therese
St Martin
St Cecilia
St Benedict
St Brigid

Dominique Pierre-Victory
Jada-Rose Williams
Maame Yaa Affel
Myah Johnson
Keliyah-Skye Apedo-Amah
Khloe Davis
Ugo Ajaegbu

Yr 5/6 Indoor Athletics

Our Yr 5 / 6 indoor athletics team travelled to Quest Academy this morning to take part in the Croydon area heats. Our team did really well and came second overall, scoring 222 points, being pipped by Selsdon for first on a score of 226. Our score was high enough for the finals which will take place in January at Royal Russell. Thanks to Coach Mairtin for preparing the children so well.



Parking at drop-off & pick up

There has been some really concerning driving and parking by a very small number of our parents & carers at drop-off and pick-up time recently. We are speaking to the council about improving road safety management around the school and increasing the number of patrols in the area. However, if we all do our bit and resolve to leave home just a few minutes earlier (for those who need to drive), there should be no need to park on the zig zags, do u-turns in the road outside the school or park across residents' driveways. I worry that it will take a serious injury (or worse!) to one of our pupils for some people to change their bad habits around the school. We will also be speaking to children in assemblies about how they can encourage their parents & carers to park and drive safely around the school

Year 4 'Off to see the Wizard'

On Wednesday afternoon we went to Trinity school to watch the Wizard of Oz. It was an epic show and there was even an interval in the middle. Our favourite characters were Dorothy and Scarecrow. The standard was really high considering that the cast were all pupils. There was even an orchestra accompanying the performance! Thanks to Trinity for inviting us to the show and to the staff who took us there and back.

Report by: Ava and Quinn (St Paul)



Elfridges, open for business

The STBSA pop-up shop 'Elfridges' was open for business today and many of our pupils were able to buy a special treat for family members. Thanks to the dedicated STBSA team who purchased all the stock and ran the shop on the day.



Girls Football

Our girls football squad continue to go from strength to strength. Our A team had a comprehensive 7-0 victory in the league v Robert Fitzroy on Wednesday. As always, it was a great team performance; however, Dylann deserves special mention for scoring 5! Our B team had a much closer contest with Robert Fitzroy B. Despite going 2-0 up, RF came back at us and scored 1. There was some excellent defending in fading light in the closing minutes and we managed to hold on for a 2-1 win. A really big thank you to Mrs Goodwin for stepping in to referee. Unfortunately, we didn't manage to get a team pic on this occasion.

Achievement

Well done to Orla (Yr6) for her dance award, Dominika (Rec) for her gymnastics certificate of merit, Layla-Rae (Yr3), also gymnastics and Hettie (Yr2) for swimming 500m. Finally Isabella (Yr 5) was misnamed in last week's newsletter. Apologies and well done on your gymnastics medal Isabella.

