



Welcome back – we hope that everyone had a good Easter break. It's been a busy first week back at school with further sporting success to celebrate and Yr 4 enjoying a trip to Fishbourne Roman Villa. Next week we have a wellbeing focus throughout the week, including the school council leading a 'Be Kind' assembly on Tuesday and St Elizabeth class have their assembly on Friday at 10am.

Girls' Football

We were so proud of our girl footballers this week. Our A team have qualified for the Croydon cup final, beating our closest local rivals (South Norwood) on Wednesday afternoon.

It was a close game throughout. Áine broke the deadline before half time and Shiloh sealed the win in the final minutes to see us progress to the finals as 2-0 winners. The final takes place at 4.45pm next Thursday afternoon at Royal Russell school – any supporters who would like to attend are more than welcome.

Our B team also had a great 3-0 win in a friendly against the same opposition. Emelia K scored 2 and Myah J also chipped in with a goal, resulting in a fine 3-0 win. Many thanks to Miss Memory for her help with the teams.



Important Diary Dates

Mon 22 nd Apr	'Be Kind' week
Fri 26 th Apr	St Elizabeth class assembly; Yr 1&2 disco 3.30 – 4.30pm; Yr 3&4 disco 5pm – 6.30pm
Mon 29 th Apr	Science Week
Fri 3 rd May	Space Dome in School & picnic lunch
Fri 10 th May	St Therese class assembly
Mon 13 th May	Yr6 SATS week
Tue 14 th May	Yr 4 Tower Bridge trip
Thu 23 rd May	Non-uniform day
Thu 23 rd May	STBSA Outdoor Cinema Event (after school)
Fri 24 th May	INSET day (no pupils in school)

HALF TERM 27TH May – 31st May

Tue 4 th June	Class photos
Fri 7 th June	St Paul class assembly
Mon 17 th June	Arts' Week
Fri 21 st June	St Joseph class assembly
Mon 24 th June	Yr 3 / 4 sports day 9.30 – 11.30am Infant sports day 1.30 – 3pm
Tue 25 th June	Yr 5 / 6 sports day 9.30 – 11.30am
Sat 6 th July	STBSA Summer Fayre
Mon 8 th July	RE Week
Thu 11 th July	Optional parents' open evening
Fri 12 th July	Yr 6 leavers disco
Thu 18 th July	Yr6 leavers mass & family social
Tue 23 rd Jul	Summer term ends 2pm

Fundraising Update

Thanks to your amazing generosity and the fundraising work of our pupils, we have smashed our £1,000 target for our Catholic Children's Society collection and it looks like the overall total will actually be over £2,000! Amazing work everyone! Exact total to follow next week!

Shooting Stars




Butterflies	London Hall Chacha	St Bernadette	Divine Loubao
Ladybirds	Thomas Ho	St Paul	Tiago Santos Sousa
St Joseph	Gia Nicholson	St Therese	Abilene Marks
St Elizabeth	Janelle-Leigh Agyemang	St Martin	Iman Santini
St Francis	Ceanna Garwood-Belvett	St Cecilia	Ayla Lleshi
St Anne	Jeremiah-Jacob Abass (J-J)	St Benedict	Dylann Loubao
St Peter	Ester Duo	St Brigid	Florence Saines

Wednesday Word

The start of the term is a good time to make a resolution to take five minutes as a family every week to read the Wednesday Word together and reflect on the message within. The text is always very accessible and there are a good range of activities to engage primary-aged children.

[View the latest one here](#)



THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH
Sunday 21st April 2024

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and, as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father."

*Adapted from John 10:11-18
The 4th Sunday of Easter, Year B*

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

Nourish Catering

Our new caterers, Nourish, began serving our school dinners this week. Head chef Ushane and his team have impressed us with their culinary skills and initial feedback from pupils & parents has been excellent. Nourish hope to run a tasting session at the school gate in the coming weeks – watch out for further details of when this will take place.



Year 4 Trip

On Thursday Yr 4 went to Fishbourne Palace near Portsmouth because we were learning all about the Romans. We had a workshop on the topic of which jobs we could do if we lived in Roman times. We also saw lots of Roman mosaics which were still intact, which gave us an insight into Roman culture. There was also a real skeleton (in a display case) which the Palace found when they were excavating the site! Finally we went to the lovely gardens to have a look at how authentic Roman gardens may have looked. It was an amazing trip even though the journey was very long.

Report by: Arya Abbott (St Therese)



Achievement

Lots of our children have been busy over the Easter holidays showing off their gifts and talents. Well done to Avery, Lise, Preston, Paolo, Kamsi, Karina, Jacob, Chimamanda and Noah B: all celebrating individual achievements out of school recently

