

Dates for your Diary

Monday 27th November

- Y4 trip to Science Museum
- Y5 Bach Choir Workshop at Westminster Cathedral Hall

Wednesday 29th November

- Shared Readers' Theatre Assembly

Ambassadors of the School

One of the many benefits of growing up in London is the amount of fantastic museums and public centres that offer enriching opportunities to young children. This week, children in Key Stage Two have had two very different experiences on school trips and Year 2 have been out of school as part of their pedestrian training. As part of their topic work on World War Two, Year 6 visited the Jewish Museum and Year 5 had the opportunity to compete against other schools in many different sports in the annual Primary Sports Festival at Westway Sports Centre. It is very nice to hear accounts of good behaviour on trips like these. As soon as the children take a step out of school, they become ambassadors of St Joseph's. What they do and the manner in which they do it reflects upon the whole school. We expect all of the children in our green uniform to where it with pride and purpose.

Christmas is slowly but surely approaching and our annual Christmas Party will take place on Friday 15th December. You can buy tickets from members of the PTFA at Friday coffee mornings and after school each day. I look forward to seeing many of you there as it such a lovely occasion for our community to get together and celebrate.

Mrs Wyatt - Head Teacher

Year 6 at the Jewish Museum

Year 6 attended the Jewish Museum in Camden on Tuesday. They were privileged to hear a first - hand account of 82-year-old Ruth Barnett, who was evacuated to England in 1938. She shared special memories as she explained what it was like to be a Jewish refugee, living in England during WW2. She compared it to the present-day refugees who come to England from many parts of the world in order to start a new life away from wars and disasters in their home countries.



Year 5 at Primary Sports Festival



What a fantastic day Year 5 had on Wednesday at Westway for the annual Primary Sports Festival. The children were able to compete with great skill and determination in team sports ranging from tri-golf to rugby. It was lovely to see the children being competitive and determined but also showing great encouragement and sportsmanship towards each other throughout the afternoon. Thank you to the parents who came to support too. It was a memorable day out!

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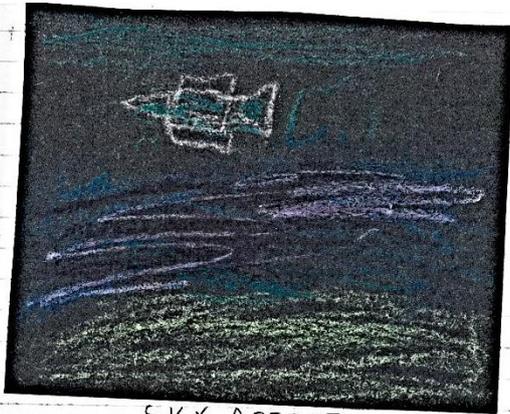
Our Wednesday Word for this week which links in with the Sunday Gospel is:

KINDNESS

Year 5



This half term in Year 5, we have been looking at poetry. We have focused on 'Cosmic Disco', a collection of poems by Grace Nichols. We read 'Sky-Artist' and used art to represent how it made us feel. We then used figurative language and powerful verbs to write our own version of the poem.



SKY ARTIST

Is there no end sky artist, to your endless sky colours each time I close my eyes your a different colour, a horde of rhinos a pack of wolves, and a shoal of fishes. Himalayan peaks up so tall and deep we roll in the waves of a great sea-blanket. Then in a bright change of mood you wipe your paint brushes down to its eun sky blue. Seen magical places are gleaming over me a huge white guy on a fluffy smooth throne. Why not a small cloud-dog tiger to follow me home.

Catholic Life

Thank you to all the parents, staff and children who came to school in their pyjamas and donated money to BBC Children in Need last week. We raised a fantastic £241! BBC Children in Need's total so far is a record-breaking £50.1m.

Advent is almost upon us and the children are already making preparations for Christmas. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have supported the children in doing this, particularly those that have made and brought in costumes for our upcoming Nativity play. The children are going to look incredible!

Pupil Voice

Congratulations to House Captain Jessica Correia who recently competed in the Cuprum Cup International Competition for Karate and won GOLD! What an outstanding achievement, Jessica!



The next Pupil Voice meeting is on **Tuesday 28th November** from 3.30 - 4.10pm.

Attendance

Well done, Year 4! You had 99.3% attendance this week!

