

Dates for your Diary

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Monday 19th November

- Y6 trip to National Army Museum

Tuesday 20th November

- Y3-6 Maths Workshops at 3.45pm & 5pm

Wednesday 21st November

- Y1 Class Assembly at 10.10am
- Y5 & 6 Primary School Games Festival at Westway

Thursday 22nd November

- Flu immunisation day
- Y6 Takeover Day at National Army Museum
- Strategic Vision Presentation at 9am and 6pm
- Reception trip to National Army Museum
- EYFS, Y1 & 2 Maths workshop at 3.45pm & 5pm

Friday 23rd November

- Y5 Beatboxing Workshop at Royal College of Music

Friendship and Anti-bullying Week

This week has been Friendship and Anti-bullying Week at St Joseph's. We are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for all of our children so they can learn in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. Bullying of any kind is, of course, unacceptable and not tolerated at St Joseph's but this week the children have been reminded of the importance of friendship and what it means, as a Catholic, to be a good friend through a variety of assemblies, workshops and also in class.

There were engagement opportunities for parents and carers this week at our Respect and Resilience Workshop on Wednesday and our English Workshops on Tuesday and Thursday. Next week, parents and carers are invited to our Maths Workshops to help with children's learning at home. We look forward to seeing many of you there. Next week also, Mr Stacey and I will share with you the strategic vision for St Joseph's. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn more about the positive and thoughtful direction in which St Joseph's is heading over the coming year and what role you can play to ensure our children receive the best education possible. You are welcome to attend either presentation, depending on your availability.

It was wonderful to see the children dressed up in spotty clothing today for BBC Children in Need today. Thank you for all your donations and we will inform you of how much we raised next week.

Mrs Wyatt - Executive Headteacher



Mary and the Witch's Flower

As part of Friendship and Anti-bullying Week, Year 2 visited The Vue Cinema in Fulham to watch the film 'Mary and the Witch's Flower'. The film is all about a young girl that befriends a boy and together they embark on a magical adventure. The children learnt that friendship triumphs over all and that differences make us all special and unique. The story also looks at how we need to be determined to achieve our goals and never to be scared to face adversity.

Friendship, Respect and Resilience

This week, Allie Knowles from Ollie and His Super Powers came to talk to both children and parents and carers about friendship, respect and resilience. Allie advised children to try to get to know others outside their immediate friendship group and spoke to adults about how children are learning from them all the time so it is important to show a good example. Thank you for coming in, Allie!



WEDNESDAY!

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



FAITHFULNESS

Year 6

In Year 6 this week, the children have been reflecting on friendship and what makes a good friend. In RE, the children wrote poems focusing on respect and how respecting one another's choices and opinions is a key part of a good friendship.

RESPECTFUL TOWARDS FRIENDS:

My friends are motivating, loving and selfless, that's all I need in friendship... right? NO, I'm wrong, I need to be respectful and respectful comes in many ways, like giving someone a heart-warming compliment, listening to them when they need you most, and the most important thing is respect. This is when you agree with their choices, opinions and the way they do things, because when this world is full of violence, injustice, prejudice, discrimination and conflict, a friendship will be blossoming and growing.

- Tia

A thoughtful poem Tia! Well done!!!

Catholic Life

This week, as part of their focus on the importance of friendship, the children in Year 3 collectively wrote this prayer:

Heavenly Father,

Please help us to learn to love one another and be respectful towards each other.

Let us learn to encourage our friends and family.

Help us to make the right choices and to work together as Jesus would.

Let us find a way to be thankful to everyone and grateful for our friendships that we have in school.

Amen

Pupil Voice

This week Pupil Voice have been very busy running workshops and activities for Friendship and Anti-bullying Week.

Harley and Rita from Year 6 and Ines and Joseph from Year 5 read stories about friendship to children in Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. Ines and Joseph loved the experience and said, "It was a fantastic opportunity to teach children about the importance of being a good friend."

A member of Animal Aid Club came to talk to children about how to respect animals and on Thursday, a police officer also came to talk to the children about respect, friendship and being kind to each other.

St Joseph's celebrated Children in Need with a spotty mufti day! Children came dressed wearing spotty clothing with spots and wore spotty face paint. We raised a lot of money which will be counted next week. Thank you to all those that participated and made this year's Friendship and Anti-bullying Week a great success! A special thank you to Mrs Bartley for organising it all!

Attendance

Well done, Reception! You had the highest attendance this week with 99.7%.

