

## Happy Easter!

It is the end of a very unique Spring Term. We have not had the usual Stations of the Cross assembly by Year 5, reflections on Lent with staff, parents and carers or the 12pm finish from the Front Garden. It is different, and while there are many elements we may have missed from staying at home, it is for the good of all that we have done so. In these unprecedented times, I have been so impressed with how everyone has adapted to the new arrangements we have put in place. Staff are working hard to ensure by next term, teaching and learning is more interactive and we look forward to communicating with you via video messages more.

Easter is a season of hope. In these difficult circumstances we are in, it is more important than ever for us to take a moment to stop and reflect on what we have; we have ways to communicate with each other, we have dedicated and brave workers who are doing everything they can to fight coronavirus, we have a wonderful, supportive community of children, teachers and families and we have Jesus, who is with us and who loves us.

Happy Easter everyone! God bless.

*Mrs Wyatt - Executive Headteacher*

## The Inaugural St Joseph's Film Festival

### LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

We are very pleased to announce The Inaugural St Joseph's Film Festival! Children in KS2 are invited to create a short film, three minutes or less, between Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April and submit it to the film festival. Each year group must feature the following prop in their film:

- Year 3 – a spoon
- Year 4 – a remote control
- Year 5 – a pillow
- Year 6 – a shoe



Our judges (Mrs Wyatt, Mr Stacey and Mr Shaw) will review the films. Three winners from each year group will be announced on 1<sup>st</sup> May and their films will be uploaded to the [St Joseph's YouTube channel](#). You must ensure you have the consent of everyone featured in the film that their image can be used and be uploaded to YouTube.

Entries must be submitted by 9am on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Please label your entry as **FILM TITLE YOUR NAME YEAR GROUP**. Submit them via <https://wettransfer.com/> and send them to [info@stjosephs.rbkc.sch.uk](mailto:info@stjosephs.rbkc.sch.uk).

### Easter Gardens

Mrs Gubbins challenged Year 2 to create an Easter garden. If they did not have a garden they were invited to create one out of materials found at home. The gardens can now be used as a focus for their prayers as we approach Easter.



### A Message from Mr Stacey

Many thanks to all those who sent a message to say that they had enjoyed watching the Youtube videos. It was nice to think that the videos may have made you smile. We will upload more videos soon. Take good care and keep being positive, kind and patient with each other. God Bless.

# WEDNESDAY!



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

## Year 5

Year 5 were tasked with writing eye witness accounts of Palm Sunday – the day that Jesus entered Jerusalem and palm branches were placed in his path. They used passages from St John's Gospel to consider what they would have seen, heard and felt if they were there and what impact it would have had on them.

"Today was the best day of my life. Today was the day that Jesus walked into Jerusalem on a donkey! I thought he would be on a horse.

It started like a normal day. I was selling things and doing my daily work. I went to visit my dad who lived close to the gate of Jerusalem. I talked to him about my shop. As I came out, I heard a crowd of people shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who is coming in the name of the Lord. The King of Israel.'

I couldn't believe my eyes... it was Jesus!"

Nicolas



# Catholic Life

A Message from Fr Shaun

"It's wonderful that there are so many initiatives for us all to stay in touch during this very testing time. As Holy Week approaches we may feel that we are caught up in a never ending Good Friday, but I would ask you to trust in Jesus, the Lord of life and to remember the words of St John Paul II. "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!"

At the parish we continue to try to proclaim the Good News of the Gospel. Mass is streamed via our Facebook group, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 12 noon and on Sunday at 10am. Why not join the group this week then on Sunday, sit down as a family and join in. We also have a Twitter feed, St Mary's Chelsea, and a YouTube Channel of the same name.

I am making a series of videos for Holy Week which can be found on the "Gallery" section of our website, [www.stmaryscadoganstreet.co.uk](http://www.stmaryscadoganstreet.co.uk).

The doors to the church may be closed at this time but our hearts remain open."

## Thank You, NHS!

On the past two Thursdays, the nation showed its appreciation for our country's carers with a round of applause from doorsteps, windows and balconies. Children have shown their support also by creating cards and artwork, thanking the NHS for their hard work.



Thank you, Camille, Year 3, for sending this cool picture of a royal minion!



# Pupil Voice

Here are some links to resources to inspire and engage children over Easter:

- Enter competitions to win some incredible prizes via [Nat Geo Kids Competitions](#).
- Enter the wonderful world of [David Walliams](#).
- Discover some new and classic family films to watch via [Into Film](#).
- Enjoy world class theatre online via [National Theatre at Home](#).
- Have a go at baking with some recipes from [BBC Good Food](#).
- Try a weekly creative challenge from [Mousetrap Theatre Projects](#).
- Find your next favourite book via [Book Trust](#).
- Explore, make and create with activities and resources via [Tate Kids](#).