



# St Chad's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

10th November 2023

Dear Parents,

We have some lovely events for the children in the coming weeks, including trips to the cinema, a dinosaur workshop and visits to the Royal Observatory. The staff at St Chad's work hard to ensure that the curriculum is rich and exciting for the children and they are to be commended for their efforts.

We have welcomed a large number of families to our Open Mornings so far and have two more dates in the diary- 16<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November. Please do spread the word to your family and friends.

Have a good weekend.

God bless,

Mrs Vassallo and Staff



**WELCOMING    NURTURING    INSPIRING**

St Chad's welcomes pupils of all faiths and nationalities to our secluded, spacious setting in South Norwood.

With **excellent academic results, nurturing pastoral care** and a **full range of extra curricular activities**, we welcome prospective parents to attend one of our open days for places in September 2024 (each day starts @ 9:30am).

**TUESDAY  
17th OCTOBER**

**TUESDAY  
31st OCTOBER**

**TUESDAY  
7th NOVEMBER**

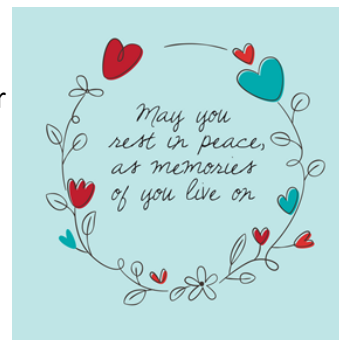
**THURSDAY  
16th NOVEMBER**

**TUESDAY  
28th NOVEMBER**

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## Elianne

Please keep the Andem family in your prayers this weekend as they have the burial service for Elianne on Saturday, followed by a thanksgiving service for her life on Sunday.



## Our Faith

On this Remembrance Day, we pray for peace in the world and an end to conflict. We especially remember the children who are innocent victims of war.

*God of love,*

*We pray for peace in our world, and an end to war.*

*Instead of hatred, let there be love.*

*Shelter your children and protect us.*

*Guide us and keep us from harm,*

*so we can build a world of love and live our lives in peace.*

*Amen*

*Thank you to Mrs Davern and the children for creating this beautiful display.*



## Next week at St Chad's

Monday 13 November	Yr5 St James's trip – Royal Observatory World Kindness Day assembly
Tuesday 14 November	Odd Socks Day- Anti Bullying Week
Wednesday 15 November	Quiz Club Science Heat at Margaret Roper 10-11am Governing Body Learning, Teaching & Standards Committee at 5pm
Thursday 16 November	Open morning
Friday 17 November	Home clothes day for Christmas Fair



## Nursey News

Nursery have been very busy this week. We went to the dinosaur workshop and had great fun learning about and meeting the dinosaurs including a baby one. Then we watched Cbeebies Poppy Video about why we have remembrance day. Here we are wearing the poppies that we made.



## Dinosaur Workshop

As part of their topic on dinosaurs EYFS all became palaeontologists for the day. They learnt about what fossils are and how they are formed. The children then had an opportunity to carefully dig for some fossils. Finally they were also introduced to three baby dinosaurs.



## We Remember Them

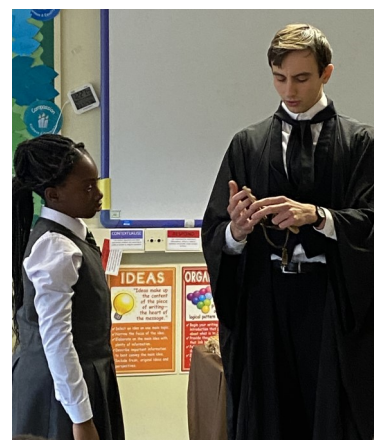
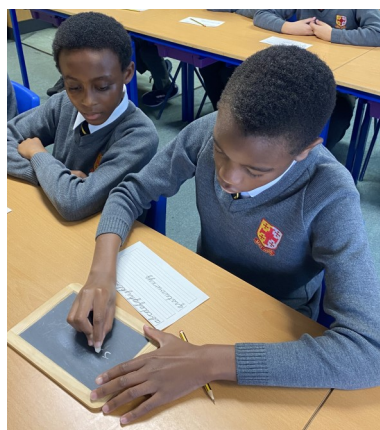
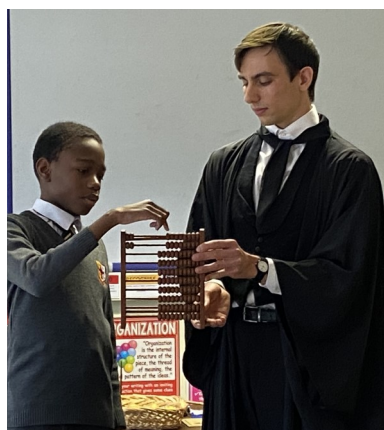
At 11:00 today the children fell silent to remember the people lost in conflicts since 1914. The classes brought their poppies up in gratitude for those that made the ultimate sacrifice. On the poppies they wrote a thoughtful prayer of remembrance.





## Victorian School Day

On Wednesday Year 6 had the opportunity to discover what it would have been like to be educated in 1899. They explored the curriculum and the numerous forms of punishment!



## Poppy Cake Sale

Afterschool today Yr6 sold poppy cupcakes which they had made to raise money for the Royal British Legion. Thank you to all the parents who bought cakes, an amazing £330.00 was raised. A huge thank you to Mrs Mitchener, Mrs Gant, Mrs Streek, Mrs Bowler, Mrs Davern who supplied all the ingredients and supported the children in their efforts to live Catholic Social Teaching. Congratulations to Mrs Mooney, who won the cake raffle, donated kindly by Mrs Zajac.



## Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding officer: Mrs P Mitchener.

We also have three Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officers: Mrs Davern, Mrs Mooney and Mrs Vassallo. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one



## St Chad's church - Holy Communion Forms

The Holy Communion forms are available from the parish. Forms should be completed and returned in person, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December between 10am and 1pm, to the First Holy Communion team in the Guild Room at the Church Hall.

Unfortunately forms received after this date will not be eligible for the Holy Communion programme in 2024.



## Attendance

Regular attendance at school is vital so that children can progress in their learning and friendships.

If your child is unwell, please leave a message on the answer phone or email the office by **8am**. The office staff check registers and must follow up on any unexplained absences by 9.15am, so your cooperation with this is appreciated.

Routine medical and dental appointments should be scheduled for outside school time. Holidays in school time cannot be authorised.

30/10/2023 - 03/11/2023		
Registration Group	Attendance %	Punctuality (lates) %
St Mary Nur	93.8	2.1
St Peter Rec	90	0
St Anne Rec	91	2.9
St Elizabeth Y1	86.4	1.4
St Martha Y2	97.7	0.8
St John Paul Y2	93.4	0
St John Bosco	99.7	2
St Martin	99.3	2.4
St Catherine	94.8	1.6
St Andrew Y5	91	1
St James Y5	97	2.5
St Therese Y6	93.6	1.8
St Brigid Y6	98.3	0.4
Totals	94.5	1.5

*St Martha and St John Bosco are our best attenders this week- well done!*

### Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfect!
Equates to 2 days off school each year	98%	Excellent
Equates to 13 days off school each year	93%	Good
Equates to 22 days off school each year	88%	Concerned
Equates to 32 days off school each year	83%	Very Concerned
Equates to 47+ days off school each year	75% or Below	Extremely Concerned

## Hope

Have you been to see hope yet?

She is being proudly displayed in Waterstones Croydon. If you haven't you still have time. Please take a photograph of yourself with Hope and send it into the office. We will be putting some in the upcoming newsletters.







St Elizabeth	AJ, Tio
St Martha	On a trip
St John Paul	On a trip
St John Bosco	Derek, Marisha
St Catherine	Lashonda, Noah B
St Martin	On a trip
St James	Joshua, Evans
St Andrew	On a trip
St Therese	Rocio, Soraiya
St Brigid	Viktoria, Sarah

Gospel Value  
Justice



St Elizabeth	Ava-Rose, Smith
St Martha	
St John Paul	
St John Bosco	Manny, Emmanuel
St Catherine	Georgia, Tara
St Martin	
St James	Jayrell, Ruby
St Andrew	
St Therese	Royale, Mary-Jane
St Brigid	Faith, Jeremiah

## CALLING ALL KIDS & FAMILIES!

## BUY, SELL & TRADE USED TOYS & GAMES!

- BUY USED TOYS & GAMES READY FOR CHRISTMAS & **SAVE £££**
- **EARN £££** BY SELLING YOUR NO LONGER WANTED TOYS & GAMES
- **TRADE TOYS & GAMES** WITH OTHER SELLERS IF YOU CAN SEAL A DEAL!

TO SECURE A SELLING PATCH E-MAIL [SUSTAINABLETHORNTONHEATH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SUSTAINABLETHORNTONHEATH@GMAIL.COM)

SEE FULL TERMS & CONDITIONS BELOW

### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18TH

FREE ENTRY | 1-4 PM

SALVATION ARMY, 66 HIGH STREET, THORNTON HEATH CR7 8LF

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

- PEOPLE THAT DO NOT SECURE A SELLING PATCH BY E-MAIL WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SELL IF THERE ARE NO SPACES LEFT ON THE DAY
- TOYS & GAMES MUST BE COMPLETE & IN FULL WORKING ORDER
- SELLERS WILL BE LIMITED TO 1M2 OF SPACE. THIS MAYBE ON THE FLOOR OR ON TABLES
- 10% OF ANY SALES TO GO TO SUSTAINABLE THORNTON HEATH TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE COST OF RUNNING HUBS - THIS WILL BE DONE ON AN HONESTY BOX BASIS
- SELLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PRICING THEIR ITEMS
- SUSTAINABLE THORNTON HEATH WILL NOT BE INVOLVED IN ANY POTENTIAL NEGOTIATIONS OVER PRICE OR TRADING
- SELLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ASPECTS OF CASH MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING PROVISION OF CHANGE