



St Chad's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

17th November 2023

Dear Parents,

It has been another enjoyable week, with lots of fantastic learning taking place. It began on Monday with a live interactive lesson beginning anti-bullying week. During the week the children have completed a number of activities focused on bringing kindness and compassion to everyone.

Thank you for your bottle donations today, they are much appreciated. The children have brought home raffle tickets for the grand prize draw, please make every effort to sell and return them.

In the month November, please can you keep all the dearly departed in your prayers. We especially pray for those who are recently deceased and their families.

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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Anti-Bullying Week 2023

This week a number of activities have been taking place to recognise anti-bullying week. On Monday Yrs1-6 joined with Greig and Jamie for a live virtual assembly. They reminded us about how easy it is to be kind and the impact a simple act of kindness can have on one another. After the assembly the children wrote a note of kindness to somebody in the school who had showed them kindness.

On Tuesday, the children came in in odd socks to remind us that it is okay to be different and to stand up against bullying and discrimination.

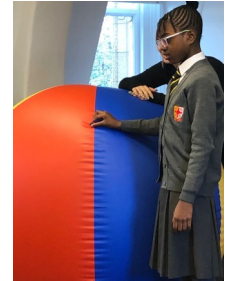


Next week at St Chad's

Monday 20th November	Early Reading Provision revision
Tuesday 21st November	
Wednesday 22nd November	
Thursday 23rd November	
Friday 24th November	8:35 Coffee Morning for parents in Yr1. Mrs Davern will be talking about how to approach bereavement with children.
Sunday 26th November	Christmas Fair 12pm to 4pm

Tr5's Trip to the Royal Observatory

St Andrew and St James became 'Star gazers' this week when they had a fantastic trip to the Royal Observatory in Greenwich. As part of the trip they visited the planetarium, and had an out of this world experience, staring up at the night sky above, marvelling at God's great beauty. The children left with a much greater understanding of the solar system. As always, thank you to the teachers and helpers who make these trips possible.



Yr3/4—DT Stonehenge

Last Friday, as part of their topic on Across The Ages, Yr3/4 designed and made Stonehenge out of biscuits. The children had a great time choosing the biscuits and arranging them to look like the World Heritage Site.



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 Vascallo. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the Designated Safeguarding Officers to seek further advice.



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 2nd 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.

06/11/2023 - 10/11/2023		
Registration Group	Attendance %	Punctuality (lates) %
St Mary Nur	91.9	2.2
St Peter Rec	89	0
St Anne Rec	94.8	0
St Elizabeth Y1	93.1	1
St Martha Y2	99.2	1.2
St John Paul Y2	91.5	0.4
St John Bosco	99	2.7
St Martin	88.3	0.7
St Catherine	94.5	1.6
St Andrew Y5	94.8	1
St James Y5	97.1	1
St Therese Y6	96.8	2.3
St Brigid Y6	94.8	0.4
Totals	94.3	1.1

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, Julia
St Martha	Simon, Rosie
St John Paul	Keziah, Monae
St John Bosco	Jermaine, Moyin
St Catherine	Shawn, Kamso
St Martin	Stanley, Bentley
St James	Dy'Shaun, Sharon
St Andrew	Kayla, Topaz
St Therese	Santi, Irene
St Brigid	Vware, Daniel

Gospel Value
Hope



St Elizabeth	Adhija, Ebun
St Martha	Eloise, Louis
St John Paul	Jamal, Mathilda
St John Bosco	Emmanuel, Mikaere
St Catherine	Anastasia, Danielle, Bella
St Martin	Michaela, Tony
St James	Noah, Amadiwa
St Andrew	Abdul, Jessica
St Therese	Amelia, Emmanuel
St Brigid	Paul, Maya

Coffee Morning

Croydon Active Voices November coffee catch up

We are a collective group of Parents & Carers who have children and or young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. Our aim is to give the Parents & Carers of Croydon a voice in shaping, developing & influencing services & policies that affect our families. Please come and join us for a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit or two at our coffee morning. We look forward to seeing you!

Date & Time: Thursday 23rd November 2023, 10am to 12pm

Meeting Room 3,
Carers Centre,
24 George Street,
Croydon,
CR0 1PB

Book your free ticket at Eventbrite

For more information please email us at:
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