

ASPIRATION, COMPASSION, COMMUNITY, RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT & FAITH



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**TO LEARN TOGETHER AND GROW
IN GOD'S LOVE**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to everyone for our final half term of the academic year. I hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready for all the exciting events of the half term. Remember that every school day is very important especially with all our learning activities, assessments and transition activities. So, please ensure children are in school every day. As the weather gets warmer, also remember to send children to school with sun hats and their water bottles. Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Long

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 12th June – Truly Traditional Treat lunch (see menu below)

Wednesday 12th June – Y4 Class Assembly 9am (Y5 date to be confirmed).

Thursday 13th June – SEN trip to Greenwich Park

Friday 14th June – 9am Fathers Day Breakfast pre-book (letter emailed, if you are unable to print please pick up copy from school office)

Friday 14th June – Rainbow Assembly to be held at 2.30pm

Monday 17th June – Friday 21st June – National Sports Week.

Friday 21st June – Sports Day, Greenwich Park (please complete form link can be found on letter)

Thursday 4th July – School Closed to be used as Polling Station



Career's Week Monday 8th July – Friday 1st July

We are looking for parents, carers or family members to show case their career to join us in a workshop to inspire our children regarding their future careers. If you would like to help please email support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk

Summer Fair Saturday 6th July 24



This year's Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 6th July 24. If you have any good quality items that you would happily donate, to help make our Summer Fair a success please bring them to school.



As a school we aim for pupils to achieve 100% attendance or as close as possible. Evidence shows strong attendance directly links to a child achieving their full potential. Through working together, we can ensure that your child receives a full-time education, through regular and structured attendance.

While it is understandable that there may be a number of legitimate reasons why your child's attendance may be affected, it remains essential that all children attend school as often as possible and are not absent for minor coughs and colds.

Keeping attendance above 95% allows pupils to achieve their potential.



School success starts
with attendance



Winners last week

Year 3 – 98.1%

School attendance last

Week 94.4%

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This Week

Toby – Y1

Daniel – Y4



Attendance

If your child is absent from school please inform the school office either by telephone or email

support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk

If your child has a GP appointment please email a photo of any medication/prescription prescribed. Thank you for your support.

Gardening Club



We are organising a Gardening Club encouraging children to grow flowers to help brighten up our school. We will also grow vegetables. If you have any spare plants, seeds, vegetable plants and gardening tools that you can donate please bring to school. Thank you.

Pupils late week 20th – 24th May 2024

Please make every effort to bring your child to school on time. School gates open at 8.40.

YR	10
Y1	8
Y2	9
Y3	11
Y4	15
Y5	8
Y6	19

Total lates 80



Attendance Matters... Every Minute Counts

Minutes late per day or Early out per day	Learning time lost In a year
5 minutes	2.09 days
10 minutes	4.20 days
15 minutes	6.17 days
20 minutes	8.40 days
30 minutes	12.59 days
60 minutes	25.19 days

Wednesday 29th May 2024 **Good News for Families TOGETHER TIME**

1 Enjoy reading this Sunday's Gospel

The night before he was crucified, Jesus and his disciples had gathered to celebrate the Passover meal together. And, as they were eating, he took some bread and, when he had said the blessing, he broke it and gave it to them. "Take it," he said. "This is my body." Then he took a cup and, when he had given thanks to God, he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, "This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God." After psalms had been sung, they left for the Mount of Olives where Jesus was soon to be arrested.

Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 2nd June 2024 Cf. Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 (Corpus Christi, Year B)

Which words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why? What does the picture make you think about? Now enjoy exploring this Wednesday's word, which is **LIFE**

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/enthusiasm?pid=MTA101634&v=120.4> Click link to read more.

St Joseph's School Prayer

Heavenly Father -

Let us aim to be the very best we can be, at all times.

May St Joseph's be full of happiness.

Fill our hearts with love, respect and compassion for all who are part of our school, local and global community.

Help us to make good choices, and guide us in understanding when we don't.

Let us remember, in learning together, we grow together and succeed together, in God's love.

PICNIC PARTY TRULY TRADITIONAL TREATS

Sandwiches - Coronation Chicken, Tuna and Cucumber, Ham, Cream Cheese and Cucumber
Mini Quorn Sausage Roll
Potato Wedges and Crudités
Scones and Jam

Wednesday 12th June 2024

If your child usually has packed lunch and would like to join their friends for a Truly Traditional Treat, please email support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk or contact the School Office.

HEALTH ADVISORS PARENT DROP IN

JUNE 2024

THIS MONTHS TOPIC IS.

TRANSITION TO RECEPTION SCHOOL READINESS

WOOLWICH COMMON YOUTH HUB
14TH JUNE 2024 10 - 11 AM
144 NIGHTINGALE PL, SE18 4HE

HAWKSMOOR YOUTH HUB
17TH JUNE 2024 9.30-10.30AM
2 ORIOLE WAY, THAMESMEAD SE28 8EG

VALLEY CENTRAL CHARLTON YOUTH HUB
27TH JUNE 2024 9:30 - 10:30 AM
THE VALLEY, FLOYD RD, SE7 8BL

AVERY HILL YOUTH HUB
TUESDAY 25TH JUNE 2024 10:30 -
11:30AM
ANSTRIDGE RD, SE9 2LL

0208 317 6319

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Rainbow Awards

7th June 2024

Rec – Siana, Hafsa

Year 1 – Rafaella, Ralph, Heran, Raina

Year 2 – Jayden, Phoenix

Year 3 – Summer, Amelia

Year 4 – Tomi, Adora

Year 5 – Esther, Melvin

Year 6 – Harri-Leigh, Alfie-Jay

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!



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Does Being Famous Matter?

Today's Gospel reading tells us that Jesus' relatives were trying to get close to Him when there was a huge crowd. But Jesus didn't get up to see them or make the other people go away. He kept teaching the people around Him. He said to them, "Who are my mother and my brothers? Here are my mother and my brothers. Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Do you know why Jesus said that? He was telling us that knowing important people or being related to important people doesn't matter at all. What matters is that we love Jesus and do what He asks.



Do you sometimes wish that you were very important or popular? Being well-known isn't a bad thing, but being good is much more important than being famous. God wants us to be humble and happy loving Him and doing what we are supposed to, no matter how important we seem to others.

You are very important to God!



Answers to Cross-Word:
ACROSS: 3.may 4.city 6.Lord 9.ears 10.dawn 13.He 15.stand 17.world 18.forgiveness
DOWN: 1.may 2.voice 3.mark 5.redemption 7.depths 8.in 11.with 12.kindness 14.who
16.trust 17.wait

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The Kids' Bulletin

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 9th, 2024



In today's first reading Adam and Eve tried to hide from God because they had sinned and were ashamed.

But God still loved them and He came and talked to them.

Can you find them?

Saint Germaine

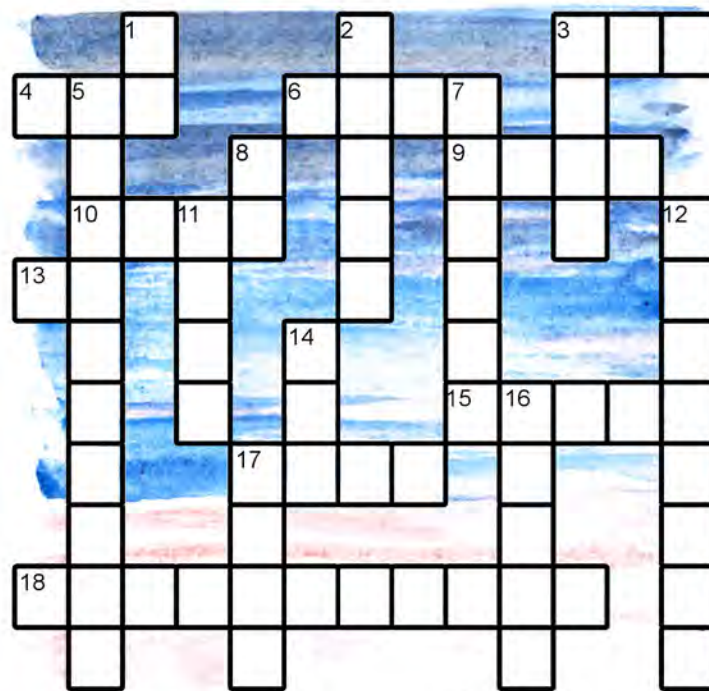
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GERMAINE DID NOT SEEM IMPORTANT. SHE WAS NOT A RELIGIOUS OR A MISSIONARY OR A QUEEN. SHE BECAME HOLY BY BELIEVING IN GOD, LOVING HIM AND FORGIVING THOSE WHO WERE CRUEL TO HER. WE CAN THINK ABOUT HER WHEN PEOPLE ARE MEAN TO US. REMEMBER THAT SAINTS, LIKE JESUS, ARE FORGIVING.

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Psalm 130 Cross-Word



See if you can find the missing words from today's Psalm and put them in the puzzle!

A = across
D = down



Out of the _____ (7D) I _____ (4A) to you, O LORD;
_____ (6A), hear my voice!

Let your _____ (9A) be attentive
to my _____ (2D) in supplication.

If you, O LORD, _____ (3D) iniquities,
LORD, _____ (14D) can _____ (15A)?

But with you is _____ (18A),
that you _____ (3A) be revered.

I _____ (16D) in the LORD;
_____ (1D) soul trusts _____ (8D) his _____ (17A).

More than sentinels wait for the _____ (10A),
let Israel _____ (17D) for the LORD.

For _____ (11D) the LORD is _____ (12D)
and with him is plenteous _____ (5D)
and _____ (13A) will redeem Israel
from all their iniquities.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about PALWORLD

In Palworld, players head out into an environment where they must craft items and survive alongside creatures called 'Pals'. In this sense, it's similar to Minecraft: fight monsters while maintaining a base. Palworld has sold more than six million copies and often has over two million people playing online simultaneously.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MATURE CONTENT



While Palworld may look cute and cuddly, the game does have its more mature moments. For example, if you try to catch a Pal and don't succeed, the game displays a mild swear word. There are also minor references to inhumane acts like slavery when getting your Pals to perform certain tasks for you. While the presentation is intended to be humorous, this could still be seen as being in poor taste.

VIOLENCE



Palworld has been referred to as "Pokémon with guns" and with good reason. As the game progresses, Pals can be given firearms, explosives and other weapons, allowing them to fight by the player's side. There are several moments where cute animals use these guns to kill other Pals or fight against bosses. The violence is cartoonish and bloodless, but it's present.

SUGGESTIVE WRITING



Some of the Pals' descriptions – found in the game menu – can be very suggestive and adult in nature. The game makes a joke of balancing on the line between age-appropriate and mature content: playing on the contrast between the two while never being outright explicit. While it's possible that younger players won't notice this content, it's just as conceivable that they *will*.

ONLINE PLAY



Palworld can be played with other people online. On Xbox, players can only play with people on their friends list. On PC, however, up to 32 players can share in the same game, playing in a large online world, and these players may not necessarily be known to the host beforehand. It can be quite complicated to set up these servers. However, it can be quite complicated to set up these servers (online worlds) and they cost money to keep active.

DIFFICULTY



Despite its endearing visuals, Palworld is actually an extremely difficult game in places: defeating bosses, catching Pals and exploring the environment can all be very tricky. It takes a lot of skill – or working together with a friend – to be successful, which could be off-putting or even aggravating to a player expecting something more like Minecraft or Pokémon.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH GAMEPLAY



Watching gameplay and reviews for Palworld on sites like YouTube is the best available means of gathering information on it, second only to playing it for yourself. Currently, there are plenty of videos showing this game off to the internet at large, along with detailed breakdowns of what can be found or done within it.

LEND A HAND



By learning the basics of the game – Pal catching, battling, crafting items and building up a base – you can help to lower the difficulty for younger players. This, in turn, decreases the likelihood that such players will need to look online for tips and tricks, where they could quite easily stumble across more violent and mature content associated with the game.

SET CONTENT LIMITS



As Palworld is available on Xbox Game Pass, it's easy for players to access it. Any player subscribed to this service can simply find the title on Game Pass and hit the download button. If a child or young person isn't allowed to play Palworld, the best way to prevent them downloading it regardless is to enable age limits on their account. Setting the limit below 12 will not allow users to install Palworld.

PLAY TOGETHER

By playing Palworld yourself, you'll have the best chance of catching any content that you don't think is suitable for children, as well as getting an idea of how violence is presented in the game. The conflict is cartoonish in nature – until players and Pals unlock the ability to use guns, at which point it can become more intense. It's likely best for you to give it a look and form your own opinion.



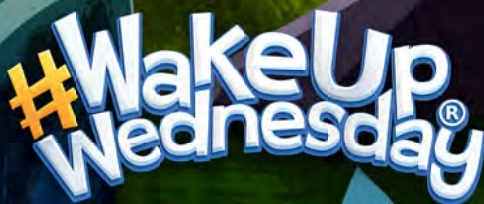
PLACE BOUNDARIES

Limit options when it comes to online play. For players on PC, they'll still be able to cooperate with friends through the game's multiplayer option, much like Xbox users. Just because they have the option to run a dedicated server that's open to anyone doesn't mean they need to take it. The risks of interacting with strangers can be significantly lowered or even eliminated entirely by playing on servers which are restricted to friends only.



Meet Our Expert

Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRecon, Lloyd Coombes has worked in the games media industry for five years. He's played every Tekken title since the series began and, as a parent, also values the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.



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