

# St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

## Weekly Newsletter

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### St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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### Priest's House

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Telephone: 020 8858 1845

It's been a long half term and the Easter holidays have arrived! It's been a really busy week with parents evening, Stations of the Cross, CRiBS Easter play and a whole school Mass in preparation for Easter. Please see the website for the news items and the lovely photos

<https://www.stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk/News/Galleries/>

Have a lovely Easter

Miss Long

Easter  
2023



### Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are one of the most important parts of our School Church Calendar. The stations depict the journey Jesus made from being condemned to death by Pontius Pilate, to his crucifixion and death on Calvary Hill, ending in his resurrection.

On Wednesday 29th April to end our celebration in school for the season of Lent, all the children went to church for a Stations of the Cross Service. Everyone was involved in either doing the main readings or responding. The atmosphere in the church was one of reflection and respect, which was shown all. This was a lovely way for us mark the significance and sacrifice Jesus made and to understand its importance.



Thank you to all the children who took part in the Easter Parade 2023. All the bonnet were amazing! Well done to parent Mr Osezua who also joined the parade!



Congratulations to our Kitchen Manager fondly known as Madge, who was awarded an honour for cooking and serving St Joseph's children for 15 years!



**PROSPER**  
SPORTS ACADEMY

**THE EASTER SPORTS, ARTS & CRAFTS CAMP**

- ★ A Range of Sports
- ★ Football Tournaments
- ★ Fun Games
- ★ Paint, draw, design & build

**AGES 5 - 11**

MONDAY 3RD APRIL - THURSDAY 6TH APRIL  
9AM - 3PM

Please provide pack lunch (no nuts) and drink and ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather.

**£20 / DAY**  
**£70 / WK**  
PLUS 15% SIBLING DISCOUNT

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Commerell Street East  
Greenwich London  
SE10 9AN

**LIMITED SPACES. CONTACT US NOW TO BOOK.**

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## This Week & During Easter Holiday



Athena - Rec

Penda - Y2

Madison - Y6

Monali - Y1

Isabella - Rec

Georgie - Y3

Arla - Rec

Rose - Y2

Precious - Y6

Ava-Mae - Y3

Miss Ovenell

To order your child's school uniform from our online supplier, click [here](#) with free delivery to school.

**Raise money for St Joseph's with SMARTIES**

Did you know that a Smarties tube hold £12 worth of 20p coins & £27 worth of £1 coins? Your mission if you choose to accept it, is to purchase a tube of Smarties and then...

- 1 Undertake the VERY HARD task of eating them all!
- 2 Ask your friends and family to donate 20p & £1 coins and pop them into the tube
- 3 Once your tube is full, give it to your class teacher.

Special treat for the class that saves the most money!

Reminder it's not too late to complete the Smarties Challenge.

## Rainbow Awards

31st March 2023



Rec - Arla, Leo A

Year 1 - Hannah, Malaika

Year 2 - Yeshua, Thomas

Year 3 - Nevaeh, Daniel

Year 4 - Olivia, Esther


Year 5 - Amarachi, Ryan

Year 6 - Frankie-Jay, Hermione

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!

**Good time keeping at our school means...**

...being in school, on time, every day, ready to learn.



Time Lost	Days Lost
5 minutes lost each day	3 DAYS LOST
10 minutes lost each day	6.5 DAYS LOST
15 minutes lost each day	10 DAYS LOST
20 minutes lost each day	13 DAYS LOST
25 minutes lost each day	19 DAYS LOST

Poor punctuality - less chance of success

Very poor punctuality - serious impact on education and reduced life chances

**DID YOU KNOW?** If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed 2 full weeks of school in one year!

**DON'T BE LATE!**

Arriving after **08:50** negatively impacts on social & academic development and does not allow for a calm and relaxed start to the day.

### Information for Parents/carers

- Once-a-week-take-a-peek keep your child's head clear of headlice. For more information for parents/carers please visit [NHS website](#)

### School Website

If you need copies of letters that have been emailed, newsletters and other details, please check the website. It is constantly being updated with diary dates, photos, and other information. If there is anything that isn't on the website that you think that should be, your feedback would be appreciated.



School success starts with attendance

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.

**Last week's Whole School attendance: 94.5%**

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

**Last week's highest attendance:**

**Years 2 & 4 – 96.4%**

95%	=	<b>47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	<b>95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	<b>142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	<b>190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days



Here are some of our pupils who received a Silver award for 100% attendance since Sept 2022. Children also received a Bronze award for achieving 100% for the Spring term.

Number of lates for w/beginning

27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Group	Lates
Reception	8
Year 1	13
Year 2	9
Year 3	12
Year 4	4
Year 5	9
Year 6	3

Royal Greenwich Together  
**HOLIDAY FOOD and FUN**

**Children who receive free school meals can get a free holiday club place in Royal Greenwich.**

With Holiday Food and Fun there are activity clubs across the borough ready to provide everything from football to arts and crafts, at no cost to parents.

No need to worry about what to do with the kids outside of school – sign up now!

[royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun](http://royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun)

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**Free Counselling Sessions for Parents**



Juggling family and relationships with home and work commitments can put a strain on mental health. This can be especially true if you are supporting a child with their own mental health or if you are experiencing divorce, illness, separation, financial difficulties or bereavement. With the practicalities of day-to-day life, it can be easy to forget to look after your own wellbeing needs, which can lead to feelings of stress or being overwhelmed.

Are you going through divorce, separation or bereavement? Do you need help with anxiety or depression? Would it be helpful to talk through worries about your situation with a counsellor? For a short period of time, parents can access a counsellor at no cost. A counsellor is available on Thursdays either remotely, via telephone or in person at school. If you are interested, please speak with Miss Maciejewski for more information.



# THE LOCAL OFFER



## Royal Greenwich SEND Local Offer Newsletter

Issue 11

For parents and young people

April 2023

Transition Special Edition



To visit the Local Offer website click here or use the camera on your smart device to scan the QR code

### Inside this issue:

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### ASD Outreach Transition support

Transitions are typically hard times for children with an ASD and their families. Changing or starting school can be a tricky time but there are lots of resources available to help you prepare your child for this move. Please look below and see what you think might support your child....

Click here or scan the QR code to visit the web page



### Transition support for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Preparations for transition to secondary school begins in year 5 for children with an ASD and continues through to year 7.

The support is provided by Wendy Jones, ASD Outreach Transition Coordinator.

#### WHAT WILL SECONDARY SCHOOLS BE LIKE?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My secondary school is: \_\_\_\_\_

My primary school is: \_\_\_\_\_

Tip for a successful transition—click here or scan the QR code to view the document



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### Support for transition to Primary school

Advice on support available for children attending Private, Voluntary or Independent (PVI) settings transitioning to school

Click here or scan the QR code to visit the web page



Click here or scan the code to open the document



### Transition to Secondary School

Getting ready for moving to Secondary School - A guide for parents/carers of children with special educational needs and disabilities

#### Secondary Transition – Timeline of events



### STEPS Secondary Transition

We have a secondary transition section on the Local Offer website with a top tips leaflet for parents and much more...



Click here or scan the QR code to watch the video



We support children with the transition from Year 6 to secondary school.

Click here or scan the QR code to visit the web page

### Sensory Service—Post 16

Post-16 for Deaf and Vision Impaired Students in Greenwich



Do you have a question like 'What level should I study at?' or 'What Post 16 options are there for me in Royal Greenwich?'



Click here or scan the QR code to visit the webpage



### Easter activities on the Local Offer

Take a look at the rolling news to find out about lots of free activities available this easter

Click here or scan the QR code to visit the web page



# Easter Bunny visits to your doorstep

From 3rd-9th April 2023

£20 a visit with a free Easter egg. Any extra eggs are £1 each

Unlimited photos

Please message me if you are interested on 07840502424

## Class 100% Attendance Challenge

Each class will receive a certificate and be added to the 100% club every time they achieve 100% attendance. In addition to this, when the class achieves...

Number of weeks of 100%	Reward
2 weeks	Extra play
3 & 4 weeks	Popcorn party
5 & 6 weeks	Extra entry to the 100% club

In June, we will draw from all the classes in the 100% club and the class that is picked will win a whole class outing in July.

Which class will get into the 100% club first?

First class in the 100% club will win a prize