



**Gospel:**

**Luke 6:27-38**

**Word of the Week:**

**Kindness**

Dear parents and carers

On Monday afternoon, we hosted our whole school photo to mark 95 years as a school. It took a lot of organisation but the children looked so smart in their winter uniform. This photograph will be available to order and purchase and information will follow in the next few weeks. Monday marked St Oscar Romero class feast day and year one children celebrated this in class.

On Thursday 27th March, Mr Bush and I, alongside a small group of Prayer Leaders, attended St George's Cathedral to collect our school Oscar Romero Award, in recognition of the work that we have completed around Catholic ethos and Catholic social teaching principles. Year 6 children also visited the Globe Theatre, whilst St Clare class (year 4) led an entertaining class assembly. On Friday, the PSA hosted a coffee morning and Year 2 children visited the Polka theatre in the morning, whilst the Nursery in the afternoon enjoyed a visit to the Fire station. At celebration assembly, Fire House was announced as this term's house point winner, congratulations! Next Wednesday (2nd April) will be a non-uniform day for all pupils and staff in Fire House, when they can wear their own clothes with something red to celebrate their win.

Thinking of all mothers and special women in our lives within our school community this Sunday, Mother's Day, who we can celebrate, remember or reflect on this day.

The clocks 'spring forward' by one hour on Sunday 30th March as we welcome longer daylight hours.

Enjoy your weekend.





Congratulations to Aidan (Year 4) who received his piano certificate from The Royal School of Music and was presented this certificate in Celebration Assembly last week.

Michael (Year 5) & Isaac (Year 1) took the Travelling Lenten Cross home this week and said some Lenten prayers with it to reinforce the message.



What a busy day St Oscar Romero class had on Monday! As well as the whole school photograph, we managed to find some peace and calm while celebrating St Oscar Romero Feast Day. We discussed what we knew about our class saint and what we would like to learn more about. We even got creative by creating our own St Oscar Romero crosses full of colour – they are currently on display on the lower key stage one doors. Come and see if you can spot yours!

## Exciting Changes to Our School Lunch Menu

We're thrilled to announce our new and improved school lunch menu which starts after the Easter break.

With the help of a fantastic focus group of children, we've created a menu that's both delicious and diverse, featuring exciting new dishes and returning favourites.

Remember, every child from Reception to Year 6 can have a FREE school meal every day through the Universal Infant Free School Meal and London Mayor's Key Stage 2 Free School Meal initiatives. Children simply need to let their teacher know at morning register that they are having a meal. Nursery children can pay for a hot school meal through Arbor. The meal price is currently £2.77 per day.

- ◆ Back by popular demand – Greek chicken pitta pockets!
- ◆ New dishes to try – BBQ chicken with diced seasoned potatoes & sweetcorn salsa, and comforting chicken pie with mash & gravy.
- ◆ More plant-based choices – We now offer plant-based options every day to support sustainability and provide healthy, tasty choices for all. Did you know it takes the equivalent of 30 bathtubs of water to produce just one beefburger? ([schoolfoodmatters.org](http://schoolfoodmatters.org))

Our new menu is designed to:

- ◆ Support sustainability and help reduce our school's carbon footprint
- ◆ Introduce children to a wider variety of vegetables and world flavours
- ◆ Cater to different dietary needs and preferences
- ◆ Promote healthy eating habits for our students

We can't wait for everyone to enjoy the fresh, nutritious, and exciting meals we've chosen and we look forward to hearing what the children think of the new menu! Click here to see the new menu:

<https://www.sacredheart.merton.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=274&type=pdf>



### Lanne & Yeanne (Nursery & Year 1)



Hello! We are Yeanne and Lanne!

We are Korean and British! Our mom and dad are Korean but grew up in the UK so they both speak Korean and English.

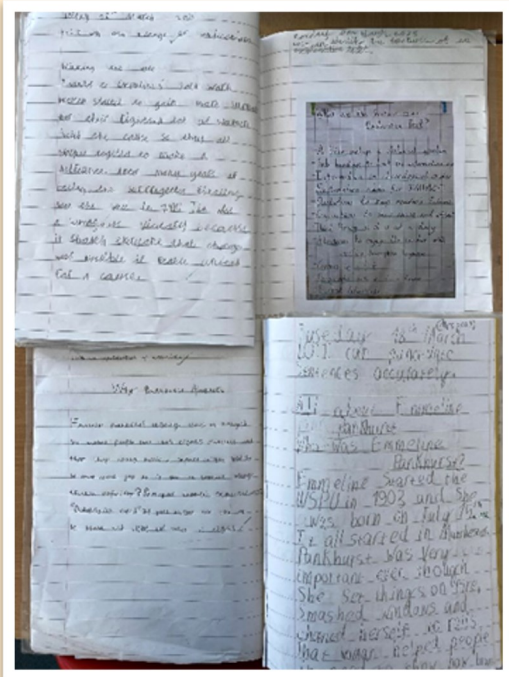
At home, they teach us how to say 'Hello' (An young ha se yo) and 'Thank you' (Gam sa hab ni da) in Korean and lots more.

Our family celebrates Korean traditional festivals, eating delicious Korean dumplings (Mandu) and rice cakes (Tteok) and wearing 'Hanbok' Korean traditional clothes!

We love visiting Korea and experiencing different cultures and seeing our grandparents there.



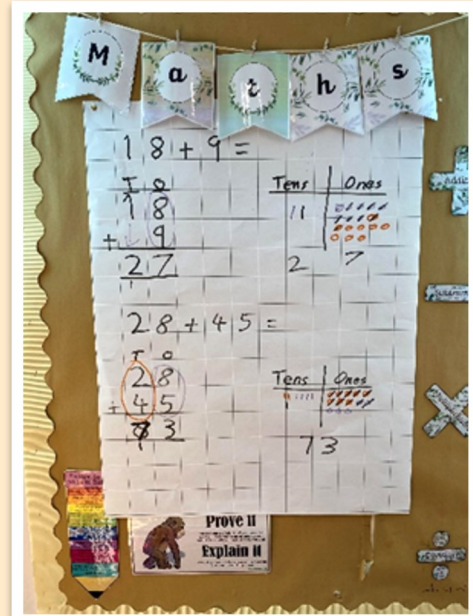
## This week in St Joseph Vaz class...



In English we have been doing a lot of work for our HOT TASK; an explanation text on Emmeline Pankhurst and the Suffragette movement. We have been focussing on using commas in a list and apostrophes for possession.

Next week, for our History lesson, we will be marching through the school just like the Suffragettes would have done all those years ago!

In Maths, we have been practicing column addition and subtraction. Perfecting the skills we first started developing way back in Autumn term.



Our Art lessons this term have been inspired by the work of Katie Vernon. We used some of her techniques in our own work, like creating a basket weave effect using paint and wet chalk.

In RE we have been learning about Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday. We have been thinking about why we celebrate these occasions and the meanings behind the actions, like having the ashes on our forehead.

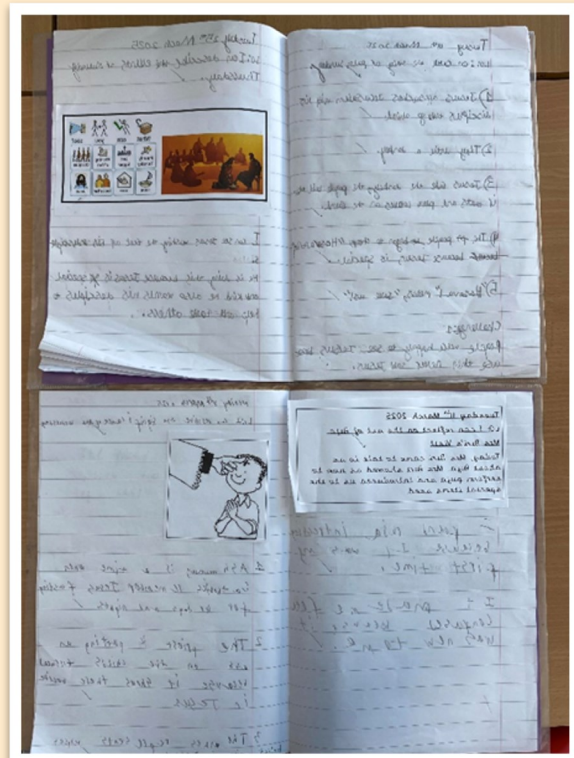
'I liked English because I have enjoyed learning about commas and stories' – Adelyn

'I enjoyed Maths when we were learning about litres and millilitres, also millimetres' – Lucas

'I have enjoyed Computing because I love going upstairs (to the ICT suite) and doing something on a computer' – Rishaan

'I have enjoyed the class assemblies and I am really looking forward to going on our Votes for Women March around the school' – Alanna

'I am really looking forward to going on the Polka Theatre trip' - Alice



## Celebrating the Languages of India in Early Years

This week, Early Years had a wonderful celebration of the Languages of India, immersing children in the vibrant culture, traditions and languages of the country.

We were delighted to welcome Vedy and Vishva's mum, who brought in a range of fascinating props, including a traditional tiffin box, tuk-tuks, marigold garlands, Parle-G biscuits and aromatic spices for the children to explore. She also led a fantastic yoga session and Bollywood dance, which the children thoroughly enjoyed!



Raphael - "I like the tuk-tuk."



Leo - "Biscuits are yummy!"

Children had the opportunity to learn Gujarati number writing and paint beautiful Holi pictures, sparking their creativity. Ezra, Eliana, and Vedy's parents kindly shared a delicious selection of traditional Indian food, giving the children a chance to taste new and exciting flavours.



Oscar - "I had so much fun today."



In addition, the children explored small models of the famous Taj Mahal and used building blocks to create their own versions of the iconic monument. They also looked at small cricket bats, learning that cricket is a hugely popular sport in India.

The celebration continued with children trying on traditional Indian clothing, learning to say hello, yes, and no in Hindi, and enthusiastically colouring in Indian flags. Children also dressed in the colours of the Indian flag, adding to the festive spirit of the day.

## A Note From The PSA

### Easter Egg Hunt

We are really looking forward to seeing you all after school next Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April straight after school finishes at 130pm. The Easter Egg hunt will be taking place in Sir Joseph Hood Memorial Park, and tickets cost £4, what a great way to end the term and begin the holidays. Please use the following link to book your tickets by next Wednesday:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sacredheartpsa/index?event=login&notLoggedIn=true&success=event&eventId=96571>



### Dates for the Diary

4<sup>th</sup> April – Easter fun

23<sup>rd</sup> May – Movies n Munchies

27<sup>th</sup> April – Fun Run

21<sup>st</sup> June – Summer Fair

### Uniform Sale

A huge thank you to the lovely Ana and Delphine for organising the uniform sale that took place this morning, they did a fantastic job sorting through all donations!



### Mini Marathon – Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April

To mark the London Marathon the PSA will be running our own annual mini marathon to raise money for our school.

Join us in St Joseph Hood Memorial Park to run, jog, walk, or scoot for 2.6 miles around the park. All money raised will go to the school benefitting all the children of our school.

It is a really fun event, with many of our Sacred Heart teachers joining in also, so please do come along to support us.

The booking link to donate or book your place will be available very soon.

To help the PSA raise funds for the children of Sacred Heart, families are able to set up a monthly standing order donation. If this is something you are able to do, please use the below details. Thank you so much!

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### Headteacher's Award

Early Years	Adwoa Ansah
Key Stage 1	Christian Da Costa Andrade
Lower Key Stage 2	Revon Sujeewan
Upper Key Stage 2	Albie Grover

Class	Star of the Week	Laureate
St Francis	Kurt Dylan Isurda	Zachary Cowie
St Bernadette	Diyon Hithami Koralage	Nandana Ranjithkumar
St Patrick	Sophia Subramaniam	Martha Dekker
St Rose	Leo Flack	Ka On Baek
St Oscar Romero	Elikem Ayidah	Benicio Bonner
St Elizabeth	Aurelia Potyra	Mylo Stirling
St Joseph Vaz	Sia Kim	Nia McManus
St Josephine	Aria Cowie	Zachary Li
St Maximilian	Olivia Park	Sharia Lutchman
St Clare	Rafe Cooper	Jadzia Whittle-Rai
St Peter	Daniella King	Joel Stirling
St Kateri	Gaia Stringhini	Freddie Jones
St Paul	Bella-Rae Smith	Noah Summers
St Andrew Kim	Qirat Farhan	William Hulbert

Maths Maestro		House	Points This Week	This Term
KS1	Gabriel Opolski	Air	3275	36963
LKS2	Florence Dekker	Earth	2821	31306
UKS2	Kristoff Caringal	Fire	5017	38268
		Water	3419	32284

Best Class Attendance for the week ending 21st March 2025

St Andrew Kim & St Joseph Vaz, both classes achieved 97.73%

