



**Gospel:**

**John 20:19-31**

**Word of the Week:**

**Believe**

Dear parents and carers

It was lovely to see so many children, families and staff taking part in Sunday's PSA mini-marathon fun run. Thank you to all involved and of course to the fantastic PSA committee. If you couldn't make it on the day and would still like to donate you can do so via this link <https://www.justgiving.com/page/sacred-heart-school-psa-10>

The sun has been shining this week and Year 5 enjoyed lots of outdoor activities on their residential at Thames Young Mariners from Monday to Wednesday of this week. Children and staff really enjoyed the experience. Also on Monday, Mrs James and Mrs Murtagh (Inclusion Team) ran a parental workshop on emotional coaching.

Thank you to Leo's mum and dad (nursery) who organised a visit from the police on Wednesday morning for Nursery and Reception. The children were delighted to see the police car and motorbike in the playground - see photos.

Another reminder of two forthcoming dates for your diaries. Firstly, on Friday 9th May 9-10am in the hall, a coffee morning with the PSA for all parents and carers with Mrs Dolan-Walsh and introducing Mrs Sarah Norville, Sacred Heart's new Headteacher from September 2025. Secondly, International Day Celebrations 3-4.30pm after school in our playground on Friday 16th May with stalls, food and music from countries around the world reflecting our school community.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend and an enjoyable bank holiday on Monday 5th May. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 6th May.



Thank you to the PSA for hosting the Mini-Marathon in the park last Sunday.

Mini-Marathon – thank you to the many children, families and staff who attended this popular annual PSA event on Sunday 27th April. A huge thank you to the PSA committee for organising this excellent fundraiser and to everyone who walked, scooted , ran or rode 2.6 miles or more!



Congratulations to Finn and Albie who were the first to complete the Fun Run – they made a very early start, before heading off to attend the London Marathon!

It was lovely to see so many staff enjoying the event too.



### St Maximilian Class (Year 3)

Last term our class travelled back thousands of years to experience life in the Stone Age — and what an adventure it was!

We started by carving soap into Stone Age-style weapons and tools, using safe tools to create our own spears, axes, and other items early humans might have used. It took patience and focus, just like real Stone Age people would have needed!



Next, we created amazing cave paintings underneath the tables, just like people did on cave walls long ago. We used earthy colours and simple shapes to tell stories with our art — lying on our backs made it feel even more realistic!

In the afternoon, we tested our skills in a fun and tricky Stone Age survival game, where we had to make choices to help our tribe stay alive in the wild. It was exciting and taught us how hard it was to survive back then! To top it all off, we dressed up in Stone Age outfits, wearing fur (fake, of course!), animal prints, and homemade accessories. We really looked the part!



Stone Age Day was full of learning, laughter, and imagination — a brilliant way to bring history to life!

## Police Visit Early Years

If you were passing school on Wednesday morning, you might have wondered why there was a police car, a police van and 3 police motorbikes in the front playground! No, Mrs Cave and Mrs Puri hadn't been making bad choices – Nursery and Reception children were being treated to a visit from police officers Mr and Mrs MacPherson! The children enjoyed climbing in and out of the different vehicles, learning how the police keep us safe and even hearing how loud the siren is close up.

We are so grateful to Leo's parents for giving us their time and expertise to make this an unforgettable experience for all involved, including staff!



## INTERNATIONAL DAY & FESTIVAL - FRIDAY 16th MAY

Thank you so much to the parents who have already been in contact with us or who attended last week's meeting about our upcoming International Festival taking place after school on Friday 16th May. We are thrilled with the huge response and the enthusiasm shown by everyone looking forward to working together to make this a truly wonderful celebration of the languages and cultures reflected in our school community.

### How does it work and how can I get involved?

Each country will be given a table on which to display flags, photos, maps, costumes, books, artefacts etc and food samples for the children to taste. The festival will run from 3pm to 4.30pm. We currently have 12 stalls confirmed so far but it is not too late to sign up! Parents have already started creating WhatsApp groups according to their stall's country to share ideas and to make connections. If you would like to be added to a particular group, please let Mrs Cave or Mrs Puri know by emailing [acave@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk](mailto:acave@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk) or [apuri@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk](mailto:apuri@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk)

### What else will be happening that day?

Children are allowed to come to school dressed in international clothes and will take part in various activities during the day learning about a different country in each class. When they come out of school they will be greeted by a playground full of stalls run by you, our wonderful parents! Each child will be given a 'passport' which will encourage them to visit each stall to receive a stamp. Once that passport is full, they will receive a special sticker.

### What entertainment will there be?

There will be a performance space in the middle of the playground where entertainment will be taking place. If you or your children are interested in performing (a traditional dance, a sporting demonstration etc.) please let us know so that we can compile a programme of events. Throughout the event, there will be international music playing, flag face painting courtesy of Little Hearts parents as well as a bar run by our fabulous PSA in order to purchase drinks. The event will culminate in a whole school dance along to 'Jerusalem' (parents and staff too!)

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to another



truly  
international celebration on Friday 16th May.

## A Note From The PSA

### Sacred Heart Mini Marathon

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated and donated to our wonderful Sacred Heart Mini Marathon on Sunday. It was truly a special event!

It was inspiring to see all the children and parents putting in so much effort, breaking their previous records, and buzzing with energy.

**We'd also like to give a special shoutout to the amazing teachers who joined in, encouraging the children and creating such a vibrant atmosphere.**

Together, we raised an incredible £1,300—what a fantastic achievement! Thank you!

Donations are still welcome! We would also like to reach out to any companies that might be able to offer a price match—your support would be greatly appreciated!



### International Day

The PSA will be hosting the bar at the fantastic International Day at our school on the 16<sup>th</sup> May, so please come along and support us, we look forward to seeing you there.

### Dates for the Diary

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

21<sup>st</sup> June - Summer Fair

### April Sacred Heart Lottery Draw

We are thrilled to announce that lucky number 21 has won our Sacred Heart Lottery for April, and even more excited to share that the winner is Ana Fonseca!



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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