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### Prayer for Remembrance

*May the hand of God hold them.  
The peace of God enfold them.  
The love that dreamed and  
formed them still surround them.  
May the light of God be beside  
them; Above, beneath, inside  
them.  
The light that shines to guide  
them home to the loving hand of  
God.  
May the angels lead them into  
paradise, May the martyrs come  
to welcome them.  
And may all the holy ones escort  
them to the holy city, the new  
and eternal Jerusalem where  
they will enjoy God's presence  
forever.*

### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS



**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November** - Advent  
Liturgies – Infant 9.30am / Junior  
10.00am  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December** - Carols with  
Wiseman 6.00pm  
**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Junior  
Carol Service 6.00pm  
**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Junior  
Carol Service 2.00pm



**ANTI-BULLYING WEEK:** Next week marks anti-bullying week. Theme for this year is 'Power for Good'. Through our PSHE lessons and every day actions we will be learning about how we can use our power and our privilege to do good.

On Thursday we will be celebrating 'National Kindness Day' by making acts of kindness within our school. This can be anything from sharing a smile to playing with someone they struggle to like.

Maybe as adults we too could think of something we can do on National Kindness Day. Smile at someone outside the school gate who we struggle to like, help someone in need that we pass on the streets of Greenford, or add an item of shopping to the food bank container in the local supermarket.

**One word can change someone's day!**



### Diary Dates

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
**Anti-Bullying Week**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November – **Kindness Day**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
– **Scholastic Book Fair**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – **Last day of the school term – School finishes at 1.30pm**

### Spring Term

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - **Pupils return to school after the holidays**

Please find attached a full list of diary dates for the Autumn Term, these are also available on the school website.



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 8.45am

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Yesterday we led a workshop on plastic to a small group of 'Eco Warriors' from all the Catholic primary schools in the Deanery. The children sorted the plastic items that had been collected over the previous 3 days. As you can see it was a lot of plastic. They were mostly surprised by the number of plastic bottles. We also looked at our clothing labels. These were partly or fully made from plastic. Very few people were wearing jumpers made from 100% natural materials.

We looked at the impact of plastic production on the environment. We learned that only 10% of plastic is recyclable and that an item of plastic can only be recycled 4 times before it ends up in landfill. We also learned that there is a plastic mass in the ocean 3 times the size of France.

The children have been tasked to go back to school and lead some whole school initiatives to start combatting climate change. Some of their ideas included; A Christmas Jumper Swap, encouraging children and adults to buy fruit and vegetables that is not in plastic bags, encouraging children and adults to buy clothes when they need them not because they want them, to buy clothes made from natural materials and to buy drinks in cans not plastic bottles.

We also looked at 'neet' Eco cleaning products that can be bought in reusable containers. As a school we will be working towards making these available for our community to buy.

**A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO RACHEL WARREN OUR SUSTAINABILITY MANAGER WHO LED THE WORKSHOP.**



**ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS:** On Monday we marked the feast of All Saints with a Mass in the Church. Thank you Fr Liam for Celebrating the Mass with us. A special thanks to Peter, the organist who led the choir.

During the Mass we talked about what it is to be 'Saint Like' and how we can all strive towards this by always being kind and caring to our neighbour. Fr Liam talked about Heaven and how we strive everyday to be ready to enter Heaven.

Sunday marked the feast of All Souls and throughout November we remember all those who have died. We pray for the souls of our loved ones and ask God to keep them in his loving care.



On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November Year 2 will lead an assembly to the school about Remembrance. We will be selling poppies after school next week and all money collected will go to support service men and women who have risked their lives to protect our nation and work towards harmony across the World.

**HELPING THE HOMELESS:** The parish support homeless men and women weekly by providing them with a cooked breakfast on a Saturday morning and providing them with clothes. This year the staff are buying small gifts to help out: deodorants, razors, shampoo, toothpaste and tooth brushes, shower gel, soap and socks. If you would like to contribute a small gift please put them in the box in Reception from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

### **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE:**

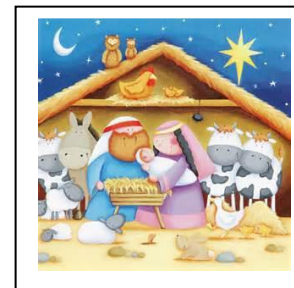
Placing your computer or laptop in a busy part of the house e.g. the living room or kitchen can be helpful. This can make it easier for you to be involved in their technology use.



**OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION CHURCH** are holding their annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 1pm – 4pm**. If you have a spare hour in the afternoon/ evening of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November please go to the Parish Centre to help set up.

The Christmas Bazaar is a good opportunity to buy your Advent Calendars, candles and hand made Christmas gifts. There will also be a range of other stalls, activities for the children and plenty of food and drink to purchase. The school Choir will be entertaining you with Christmas Carols. **All proceeds go towards the restoration of the Church.** I look forward to seeing many of you there.

### **Christmas Dates**



In preparation for the Christmas events next month we wanted to let you know the dates in advance so that you can plan your diaries.

### **CHRISTMAS PLAYS**

Year 2 – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9.30am  
Year 1 - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am  
Nursery Morning – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 11.00am  
Nursery Afternoon – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2.50pm  
Reception – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

**CHILDREN IN NEED:** On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November we will be supporting Children in Need. The day will begin with an assembly.



Children are invited to wear BRIGHT COLOURFUL or SPOTTY clothes to school. This is an event that children love. There is an **optional donation of £1 per family** that will be sent to Children in Need. Donations will be collected on the school gate on Friday morning.

Clothes must be suitable for school.

**LITTEN NATURE RESERVE:** On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November, Butterflies enjoyed their first visit to The Litten Nature Reserve. The children had a fantastic time exploring the outdoors and meeting Miss Rebecca, the forest school teacher. They took part in a range of exciting activities including digging, swinging, and climbing — it was an afternoon full of fun and adventure!



## SCHOOL SPORTS ROUND UP

**BOROUGH BOCCIA COMPETITION:** We entered 2 teams into the Boccia competition. Boccia is similar to Bowls where the aim of the game is to throw the balls at a target - the 'Jack', and the nearest ball wins. The teams use tactics to knock out the opposition plays. All the players did very well, and the B Team won bronze medals. Our Player of the Match was Elisha for her determination to learn and improve. Well done Team Visitation.

## LONDON SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

Best of luck to Dominik in Year 6 as he competes for Ealing Borough in the London Schools Cross-Country Championships this weekend. We are all cheering for you.



## REMINDER

**We are still collecting pairs of football boots that children have grown out of.**  
**The Re-cycle ReBOOT box is in the entrance to school for 2 more weeks.**  
**Thank you for your support.**

**We are all in Team Visitation!**

# Christmas jumper swap



If you have any Christmas jumpers that you have grown out of or become bored with why not swap them in school. Donate your Christmas jumpers **as soon as possible** and in the week beginning **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December** we will hang them on the rack in the reception area for you to take. That way we are being sustainable but also helping those who may be struggling this Christmas in the current financial crisis.

Children and adult jumpers welcome.



The Prayer Leaders are excited to announce the return of our School Christmas Shop. Children will once again have the chance to experience the joy of gift-giving while learning the value of money.

To make our Christmas Shop a success, we are asking for donations of good-quality items suitable for both adults and children. Please see the list below for some ideas of gifts that would make wonderful additions to our Christmas Shop:

- Toys
- Books
- Games
- Puzzles
- Mugs
- Candles
- Soaps or bath items
- Hats
- Gloves
- Scarves
- Socks
- Jewellery or accessories
- Small home items
- Christmas decorations
- Stationery or notebooks
- Gift sets

We would also welcome donations of Christmas wrapping paper, gift bags, and sticky tape.

Tickets to the Christmas Shop will cost just £3. Each ticket allows your child to browse the shop and purchase a gift for their chosen loved one. All money raised will be donated to our Parish to support the Homeless Winter Night Shelter, which runs over the Christmas period.

The half term break is a great opportunity to have a good sort-out and rehome all those wonderful things we no longer use. Please drop off all your donations at the school office.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Together, let's create a magical Christmas experience for our school and Parish community.



# ACHIEVEMENTS

**ATTENDANCE:** Please see the table below for class attendance this week.

Congratulations to 2B for 99% attendance this week.

<b>NURSERY</b>	<b>90.9%</b>
<b>BUMBLEBEES</b>	<b>90%</b>
<b>BUTTERFLIES</b>	<b>97.8%</b>
<b>1K</b>	<b>88.7%</b>
<b>1S</b>	<b>95.7%</b>
<b>2B</b>	<b>99%</b>
<b>2J</b>	<b>97.2%</b>
<b>3G</b>	<b>97.2%</b>
<b>3Y</b>	<b>96.8%</b>
<b>4C</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>4F</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>5B</b>	<b>93.2%</b>
<b>5W</b>	<b>94.4%</b>
<b>6P</b>	<b>97.3%</b>
<b>6W</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>95.4%</b>

**PRAISE CERTIFICATES:** Each week children are awarded a Praise Certificate for a range of reasons; excellent work, making a greater effort, consistent and sustained improvement, displaying the Gospel Values of friendship, supporting and helping others, to name but a few. Congratulations to the following children who received the Praise Certificate this week.

**Saoirse and David - Bumblebees**

**Oliwer and Sophia – Butterflies**

**Anastasia and Alicja – 1K**

**Igor and Sebastian – 1S**

**Ada and Tymon – 2B**

**Vanya and Joshua – 2J**

**Igor and Jared – 3G**

**Anna and Igor – 3Y**

**Amelia and Precious – 4C**

**Yana and Micah – 4F**

**Vladyslav and Laura – 5B**

**Alfie and Nehemia – 5W**

**Jardine and Oliver – 6P**

**Myla and Eliza – 6W**

**CITIZENSHIP AWARD:** Our citizenship award is awarded weekly to pupils who display good citizenship and Gospel Values; for example, Kindness, Inclusion, Tolerance Respect and following school rules.

This half term we are focussing on **PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR**. The '**preferential option**' means allowing someone to have the first choice. It means giving someone the best that is available; not just the scraps or leftovers.

God calls us to look for those in need and work hard to support them as best we can.

**Beata – 1K**

**Ola – 1S**

**Gabriella K – 2B**

**Zofia – 2J**

**Ami – 3G**

**Louisa – 3Y**

**Patrick – 4C**

**Javier – 4F**

**Elijah – 5B**

**Noa – 5W**

**Leon – 6P**

**Mariam – 6W**