

# Learning, playing and growing together in the love of Jesus

#### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th October 2022 - 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Autumn 1 Term

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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

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### <u> A message from Mrs Hulme;</u>



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly - a huge well done to all staff and parents who completed the London Marathon last week. What an amazing event, one that raises much needed funding for a wide range of charities. Both Mrs Kenny and Miss McGowan enjoyed the run, especially as they were cheered on by family and friends along the way. Thank you to St Mary's Community.

Pupils from the school Chaplaincy team were able to join Mrs Hulme and Mrs Kenny in attending Mass at St George's Cathedral. The Mass marked the beginning of our new school year and we were joined by a number of other schools in the Diocese. It was a joy to be able to celebrate Mass with so many other local schools and we look forward to a new school year together.

Thank you also to the PTA and staff for supporting the junior school disco. This was another successful event, loved by one and all. The PTA are now on their count down to the Christmas Fayre, we are really hoping to have some new helpers to join the team.

### Spirituality

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Year 6 Chaplaincy Team have given Y3 & Y4 pupils the opportunity to join them in the School Chapel at lunchtimes to pray this wonderful prayer. Y3 have also been to Holy Cross Church to join parishioners in the celebration of Mass.

All staff were invited to start the academic year by joining staff from the Sutton Catholic School Alliance by celebrating Mass at the John Fisher School, Purley after school this week. We enjoyed this chance to pray and get together as we start the year.

Thank you to the parents for their generous donation to St Philomena's food bank, delivered following our Harvest Festival Mass celebrated by Father Henry from Holy Cross parish.

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Table Talks Topics - Does lined paper weigh more than blank paper?

## News for the week

## Recognition & Reward

<u>Infant - Stars of the week</u>		
1 Robin	7/10 - Amelia	
	14/10 - Freddie	
1 Sparrow	7/10 - Cara	
	14/10 - Victoria	
1 Wren	7/10 - Lorenzo	
	14/10 - Harry	
2 Heron	7/10 - Dexter	
	14/10 - Adam	
2 Jay	7/10 - Liam	
	14/10 - Jack	
2	7/10 - Gillian	
Woodpecker		
	14/10 - James	

Junior - Housepoints		
4 <sup>th</sup> is	0	
Becket with		
813		
3 <sup>rd</sup> is	3	
Fisher with		
960	0	
2nd is	2	
Clitherow		
with 1005	water water	
1 <sup>st</sup> is More		
with 1014		

<u>'Star Writer' Award</u>	
3 Willow	Callum
3 Mulberry	Sara
3 Hawthorn	Lennox
4 Poplar	Emily
4 Ash	Clare
4 Rowan	Amelia
5 Elm	Caterina
5 Sycamore	Rocco
5 Birch	Gayoon
6 Copper Beech	Xavier
6 Oak	Simone
6 Chestnut	Joseph

### Sports News

A number of our Year 4 pupils had the chance to participate in a multi-skills festival last week. They were able to take part in a number of sports, including hockey, squash, netball and tennis. The pupils showed great sportsmanship and represented the school wonderfully. Well done to all of those who took part! Thank you to the parents who provided the transport.





On Wednesday afternoon, the Year 6 boys football A team played a match against a strong Cheam Common side. The boys played really well together, scoring and defending some brilliant goals. Thank you to all the family members who cheered them on from the side line, it is great to have the support from the school community. Unfortunately, the boys didn't win this game, but with lots of games in our fixture list, we are sure to celebrate more wins to come. Well done to everyone involved!



On Thursday afternoon, a large group from Year 4, 5 and 6 took part in the borough cross-country. This was our first cross-country race in a while at the school and the children had been working hard to prepare for this. The course was a mixture of woodland and grass and some terrain that lots of the children hadn't run on before. We were so proud of every child who took part in this event, the determination and hard work shown by all our children was fantastic to see. Thank you so much for the family members who came to support the school, it was wonderful to have so many people there. Congratulations to Louis, who won the boys Year 4 boys race, managing to shake off 3 other boys who were close by him - what a fantastic sprint finish! We also had 2 other podium finishes from Leo and Josh and 2 pupils selected to represent Sutton at a future cross-country event, a massive well done to these children! We are so proud of every single child who took part in this event and look forward to another cross-country event soon!







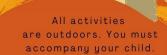


The woodland animals have been making magic potions for Halloween, but what are they for?





Brave the Halloween Trail through Sutton Ecology Centre to find out!



£5 per child + booking fee

Booking essential <u>suttonbiodiversity.eventbrite.com</u>

for info email biodiversity@sutton.gov.uk

Design your own magic potion to take home.





#### General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR)

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Please refer to our privacy notices on the school's website for details of how sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe.