



St. Edward's NEWSLETTER



On Remembrance Day, our Pupil Parliament members were invited to the 103rd anniversary of the Armistice – Remembrance Day Service. A short service at the cenotaph in Central Park was held with the members of the British Royal Legion and representatives of Newham Local Authority. Together with the Newham Catholic Deanery Schools, they commemorated the contribution of the British, Commonwealth military, civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts. Lee Skeggs, a British Legion representative, spoke about some of the people named on the Cenotaph including his family members and also about Walter Tull, the first black British army officer.



"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"

HAPPY Thanksgiving

On Thursday 25th November, the whole school celebrated thanksgiving day with Fr. Angelus. The children learned about thanksgiving and enjoyed a roast turkey lunch prepared by our lovely Olive Dining staff. Fr. Angelus concluded the day with a thanksgiving mass and was joined by Sr Immaculate and Sr Patricia from the House of Prayer.

Happy Thanksgiving to all and we hope your day is filled with love, laughter, and gratitude.



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Monday 15th November commenced with Odd Socks Day!



Odd Socks Day is significant to Anti-Bullying week because it is a national event all about celebrating what makes someone unique. It's organised by the Anti-Bullying Alliance which is a group of organisations, charities and individuals who work together to try and stop bullying.

In Year 2 Rose Class - The children made a pair of large socks and then designed miniature odd socks on top.



Children from Nursery the Seedlings painted a rainbow of the Anti-Bullying theme, One kind Word. The words they chose to display were friend, play, hug, love, share, together.



Year 2 Lily Class made 'Stop' posters and spread messages of kindness



Children in Year 6 created pieces of a jigsaw puzzle. Each one indicating how they would stop bullying.



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A week ahead of Anti-Bullying Week, the children took part in a live interactive workshop hosted by an education theatre company, OpenView. The children volunteered to play the parts of a bully or bullies and victim(s). All the children were given the opportunity to ask questions and perform their own brief scenario about what they would do and how they would feel.



STOP
BULLYING

SEE IT - SAY IT - STOP IT



Well done to all the Year 5 gold letter recipients for wonderful Solar System model projects. Keep up the good work!

Ash Class Assembly



Ash Class wowed the audience with their singing and informative assembly including presenting a black history lesson highlighting the inventions and creations made by non-white inventors such as the traffic light systems, heart surgery procedures and USB memory sticks. They also explored the lives of non-white saints in commemoration of All Saint's Day. In tribute to universal child day on 20th November, they taught us about child heroes who have helped to make the world a brighter and better place for all children.

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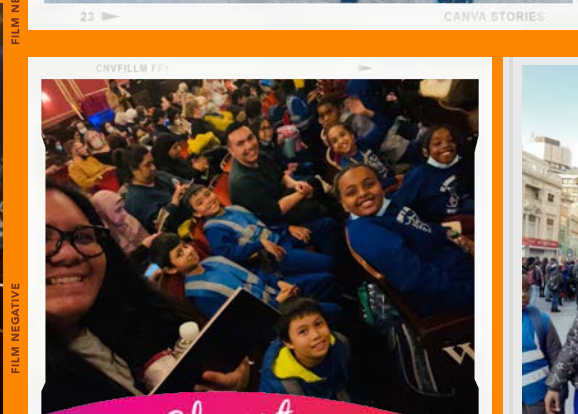
DREAMWORKS THE PRINCE OF EGYPT THE HIT MUSICAL

Our Year 5 went on a trip to watch the musical, The Prince of Egypt, which retells the story of Moses and the first Passover as part of their curriculum studying Judaism. The pupils, staff and parents who attended the performance were dazzled by the props and stage scenery. A member of the public was so amazed by how well behaved our children were during the show that he wrote to us:

"As a retired Headteacher, I just wanted to say how well behaved your pupils were and what a good job your staff did. I was a Headteacher for 16.5 years, and having organised theatre trips myself I know what a challenging time they can be - but how much the children can gain from such an experience. I hope that all returned safe and well and there was nothing to detract from the day."

On a more personal note, having looked at your website I am impressed with how overtly Christian your school is. Your motto, your school values and general ethos speak of Christian foundations and intent. As a practising Christian myself it's good to see. Please pass on my congratulations to staff and pupils"

*What a great pleasure to receive such amazing feedback.
Thank you to all our Year 5's, you have done the school proud!*



'Following Christ we reach our goals'

"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"

Cake Sale with Friends of St. Teddy's



Friends of St. Teddy's has worked tremendously hard to fundraise for our Summer Fair Event 2022. For the longest period, our parents got involved in the planning and execution of these events and we want to extend our appreciation for the commitment and the effort that was given by our parent volunteers. Also, a massive thank you to our school community for supporting this cause.

We have raised a total of £1,222.91 so far and we are yet to have our Year 5 & 6 group fundraise on Friday 3rd December. This is such an achievement in a matter of weeks! We can't wait for the next event that our parents will be hosting!



"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"

LANGDON ACADEMY SPORT PARTNERSHIP

KS1 Year 1/2 Sportshall Athletics Competition
Wednesday 3rd November 2021
@Langdon Academy

Participating Schools

Aldersbrook	Altmere	Avenue	Gallions
Langdon	St Edward's	St Francis'	St Helen's
St Joachim's	Achievement is Paramount		#BOOM

Scoreboard

Overall				Girls				Boys			
P	School	Total	P	Field	Track	Total	P	Field	Track	Total	P
1	St Edward's	310	1	84	70	154	1	88	68	156	1
2	St Helen's	288	2	80	62	142	2	86	60	146	2
3	Altmere	286	2	80	62	142	3	84	60	144	3
4	Aldersbrook	236	4	76	50	126	5	66	44	110	4
4	St Francis'	236	5	68	50	118	4	68	50	118	4
6	Avenue	208	6	66	40	106	6	52	50	102	6
7	St Joachim's	180	8	44	36	80	7	64	36	100	7
8	Langdon	154	7	50	34	84	8	38	32	70	8
9	Gallions	128	9	32	28	60	9	36	32	68	9



KS2 Year 5/6 Mixed Tag Rugby Competition
Wednesday 24th November 2021
@Langdon Academy

Participating Schools

Gallions	Hartley	Nelson	Langdon	Sandringham
St Edward's	St Joachim's	St Michael's	St Winefride's	#BOOM

Group One

Sandringham	3	V	0	Langdon	Gallions	1	V	1	Nelson								
Hartley	5	V	1	St Michael's	St Joachim's	0	V	1	St Edward's								
St Winefride's	0	V	2	Sandringham	Nelson	0	V	2	St Edward's								
Langdon	2	V	1	St Michael's	St Joachim's	1	V	1	Gallions								
St Winefride's	1	V	2	Hartley	Gallions	0	V	2	St Edward's								
Sandringham	3	V	0	St Michael's	St Joachim's	0	V	0	Nelson								
Hartley	2	V	0	Langdon	Group Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt				
St Winefride's	2	V	0	St Michael's	St Edward's	3	3	0	0	5	0	5	9				
Hartley	0	V	1	Sandringham	St Joachim's	3	0	2	1	1	2	-1	5				
St Winefride's	1	V	2	Langdon	Gallions	3	0	2	1	2	4	-2	5				
Group One	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt	Nelson	3	0	2	1	1	3	-2	5

Semi-Finals

Sandringham	1 V 0	Gallions	St Edward's	3 V 0	Nelson
The Final			3rd & 4th Place		
Sandringham	0 V 2	St Edward's	Gallions	1 V 1	Nelson *

The * indicates that the school won the sudden death golden try.



LANGDON ACADEMY SPORT PARTNERSHIP

KS2 Year 3/4 Boys Football Competition
Wednesday 17th November 2021
@Langdon Academy

Participating Schools

Elmhurst	Essex	Gallions	Nelson	Langdon
Lathom	Sandringham	St Aidan's	St Edward's	St Francis'
St Helen's	St James'	St Joachim's	St Luke's	West Ham

Group One

Elmhurst	1 V 0	Nelson	Sandringham	1 V 1	Langdon
St James'	0 V 3	St Edward's	Essex	2 V 0	St Francis'
West Ham	3 V 0	Elmhurst	St Joachim's	0 V 0	Sandringham
Nelson	0 V 3	St Edward's	Langdon	0 V 2	St Francis'
West Ham	3 V 0	St James'	St Joachim's	1 V 1	Essex
Elmhurst	0 V 6	St Edward's	Sandringham	0 V 0	St Francis'
St James'	0 V 0	Nelson	Essex	0 V 0	Langdon
West Ham	1 V 0	St Edward's	St Joachim's	0 V 1	St Francis'
St James'	0 V 0	Elmhurst	Essex	1 V 0	Sandringham
West Ham	0 V 0	Nelson	St Joachim's	0 V 0	Langdon

Group Two

Group One	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt	Group Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt
West Ham	4	3	1	0	7	0	7	11	Essex	4	2	2	0	4	1	3	10
St Edward's	4	3	0	1	12	1	11	10	St Francis'	4	2	1	1	3	2	1	9
Elmhurst	4	1	1	2	1	9	-8	7	Sandringham *	4	0	3	1	1	2	-1	7
Nelson	4	0	2	2	0	4	-4	6	St Joachim's	4	0	3	1	1	2	-1	7
St James'	4	0	1	3	0	6	-6	5	Langdon	4	0	3	1	1	3	-2	7

Group Three

St Luke's	2	V	0	Gallions	St Edward's	3	V	0	St Francis'
St Helen's	1	V	0	St Aidan's	Sandringham	0	V	1	St Luke's
Gallions	0	V	1	St Aidan's	St Helen's *	0	V	0	West Ham
St Helen's	0	V	1	St Luke's	Elmhurst	0	V	2	Essex
St Helen's	0	V	0	Gallions	Semi-Finals				
St Luke's	0	V	0	St Aidan's	St Edward's	1	V	0	St Luke's

Group Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt	St Helen's	1	V	2	Essex
St Luke's	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	8	3rd & 4th Place				
St Helen's	3	1	1	1	1	1	0	6	St Helen's	0	V	1	St Luke's
St Aidan's	3	1	1	1	1	1	0	6	The Final				
Gallions	3	0	1	2	0	3	-3	4	St Edward's	2	V	0	Essex

The * indicates that the school won the sudden death shoot out



EXCELLENCE THROUGH COMPETITION

Another win
for
St. Edwards!!!

"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Important Dates!

Last Cake Sale - Year 5 & 6 Group	3rd December 2021
Christmas Jumper Day	10th December 2021
Children's Christmas Lunch	15th December 2021
Christmas Break	22nd December to 4th January 2022
School re-opens to pupils	5th January 2022
Spring Half Term	14th to 18th February 2022
Easter Break	11th to 22nd April 2022 finish
Bank Holiday - Labour Day	2nd May 2022
Summer Half Term	30th May to 3rd June 2022
Queen's jubilee Celebration	13th June 2022
End of Academic Year	15th July 2022 finish @ 1.15 PM

Reception and Nursery Applications

Closing date 15th January 2022

We would like to remind all our nursery parents that the Reception and Nursery application is closing on the 15th January 2022. Please ensure that you have completed the **eAdmission** form via the link: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/> (For Reception applicants only).

Please also note that the supplementary information form which can be found on our website needs to be completed and handed into the office. If you need a paper application, you can obtain one from the main office.

Lost Property

It is the pupil's responsibility to look after their property in school.

Please remind your child/ren to ensure that they always take care of their belongings in school. If they have misplaced their items, we have a lost property area at the back of the school where children can go to. Could we also request that parents check their uniform at home to see if your child has accidentally brought someone else's uniform home?

Please liaise with your child's teacher if needed.

Thank you

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Important!

We urge parents and pupils not to ride their bicycles and/or scooters while they are in the playground at all times as it imposes a serious hazard to everyone especially to our younger children and vulnerable elderly.

Please help us protect our members of the community.



Thank you for your cooperation

School Uniform

We are noticing a high number of pupils who are not adhering to the correct school uniform/shoes. Please refer to our website ([click here](#)) for the list of uniforms that your child needs to wear in school. We will be introducing a lunchtime exclusion if we notice a pupil who is not in the correct school uniform. If you have any issues regarding obtaining a uniform please contact the school office.

Thank you.

A Weekly Gift to you and your family from your Catholic School

THE Wednesday
WORD



SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday is the start of the season of Advent, a word which means 'important arrival'. Advent is the time to start making preparations to celebrate Christ's birth - God's momentous arrival into our world in the person of Jesus.

The Gospel reminds us that there is no time to lose. We shouldn't put off our good resolutions until New Year. Now, Advent, is the time to think about the way we live our lives and begin to make any necessary changes.

Wednesday 24th November 2021

The message is clear for all of us: we are to 'stay awake!' Pope Francis reminds us, "Christ asks us to be wide awake and alert, to see the things in life that really matter."

Enrich this special season through exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **ADVENT**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough



To see this week's Parish Version of The Wednesday Word: wednesdayword.org - Parents' Pages - Lectio Divina with Fr Henry.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 28th November 2021



Jesus said to his disciples, "There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars and on the earth, and the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man approaching in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand upright, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand. Watch yourselves; be careful not to let your hearts be weighed down with the cares of life. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man."

Adapted from Luke 21:25-28.34-36
The 1st Sunday of Advent, Year C

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church - all are warmly invited.

"Advent is a time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus, Prince of Peace. It's a time to make peace with ourselves and our neighbours."

Pope Francis



THE Wednesday
WORD CONNECTING HOME, SCHOOL AND PARISH THROUGH SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"

Good News for Families

Advent reminds us that God loves us so much that he sent his only Son, Jesus, into our world.

Let's use this season of Advent to be open to welcome Jesus, to make a fresh start and to draw closer to God, through living a good life!



1 Our Special Time Together

Enjoy reading the Gospel overleaf (or below for younger children)

Jesus said to his disciples, "There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars. Then people will see the Son of Man returning in the clouds with power and great glory. You must always be ready, because only my Heavenly Father knows when this will happen."

What did Jesus say we must always be? Which word or words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why? Look at the Gospel picture opposite. What does it make you think about?



2 Wednesday's Word is ...

ADVENT



3

Loving God & Each Other

"Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. The Birth of Jesus brings us the good news that we are loved immensely by God." *Pope Francis*

Advent is the time when we make an extra effort to be more loving towards God and our neighbours. Ask your child what they think the word 'Advent' means (parent help: for the answer, please see the 'Parent Letter' on the front page). What do they know about Advent? What do they like best about this season which leads up to Christmas? You may want to share with your child what you like best about the season of Advent.

Advent is an opportunity to be spiritually refreshed and helps us get ready for Christmas.

Choose something to do, individually or as a family, to stay spiritually "awake" and make this Advent prayerful and special. Perhaps you can: say a prayer together as you put up the crib or the Advent wreath; pray especially for someone (or better still for a few people) each evening throughout Advent; go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession); go to Church on Sundays; regularly give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus.

Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to get ready during **Advent** to welcome you with joy this Christmas, and when you come again in your glory. Amen.

Gospel Gallery

G Y S N G I S P R E A
A L W A Y S O W L J E
J R O Y S N R U T E R
E O E R K D Y R J S E
S W Y T Y D A E R U S
E S I G N S D T Y S J
B I R D Y R S U S E J
G N E A J E G R W K A
P O W E R A Y N E D Y
G L O R Y D N Y L L A
A L P D A Y R O T S D

WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER **ACROSS** OR **DOWN**



SIGNS

SKY

JESUS

RETURN

POWER

GLORY

ALWAYS

READY

SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS **BACKWARDS** OR **DIAGONALLY**

Cross out the letters **a o k** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

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Jesus said to his _____, "There _____
be _____ in the _____ and moon and stars.



Search for at least three differences between this picture and the colour one. Then draw them in before colouring.

Each Advent we think about Mary and Joseph's difficult journey to Bethlehem.

This Advent, let us pray especially for all those people who have been forced to make dangerous journeys, similar to that of Mary and Joseph, to find safety.

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Smiley

This week I will try my best to...



For more, see: wednesdayword.org and cbeew.org.uk

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GOSPEL - MATTHEW 9:35-10:1, 6-8



35 Jesus made a tour through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing all kinds of disease and all kinds of illness.

36 And when he saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd.

37 Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers to his harvest.'

1 He summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to drive them out and to cure all kinds of disease and all kinds of illness.

6 go instead to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.

7 And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of Heaven is close at hand.

8 Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those suffering from virulent skin-diseases, drive out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.

Prayer for the month - November

For the laughter of the children,
For our own life-breath,
For the abundance of food on our tables.
For the ones who prepares our scrumptious feast,
For the roof over our heads,
The clothes on our backs,
For our health and our wealth of blessings,
For the opportunities to celebrate with family and friends,
For the freedom to pray these words
Without fear,
In any language,
In any faith,
Thank You, Lord, for giving us all these.

Amen.

