



SAINT CHRISTINA'S BULLETIN

Friday 6th March 2026



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Dear Parents,

Earlier this week I was at the Society of Heads annual conference where the theme was human flourishing. Much of the conversation returned to a simple question about what education is actually for and what first principles should guide schools in the years ahead. Those are the kinds of discussions that can feel quite abstract until you return to school and are reminded what they look like in practice. The very next day I was back in school for World Book Day without a costume and ended up with a pair of fox ears and a tail, courtesy of Ms. Sephton. The children were magnificent, with excellent costumes which they proudly displayed in assembly, and there was a real sense of excitement about books and reading across the school.

It was particularly fitting that our magnificent new library space was ready in time. The library is now open, and it has been a pleasure to see children already visiting the space and settling into it. This project has been a long time in the planning and would not have been possible without the generosity and commitment of countless people in our community. Whenever you begin listing people to thank for a project like this, there is always the danger that someone who contributed along the way is missed, and I very much hope that has not happened here.

Parents' Link has given extraordinary time and energy over the past two years to bring this project to life. Capucine, Masiel and Lynn have carried a huge amount of the work across the life of the project, while all hands were on deck from many parents on Wednesday to get the space ready. Earlier members of Parents' Link, including Shakira, Tiphaine, and Yulia helped build the momentum that made it all possible.

Within school, a large team has also played an important part in bringing the project to completion. Steve Clark deserves particular thanks for overseeing the practical side of the work and coordinating the many visits, checks and arrangements that were required along the way. Ms. Williams and Fr Rudolf helped with the significant task of sorting through older books and gathering pupil feedback as we began shaping the future collection. Georgia, Yllka and Michelle have been endlessly accommodating behind the scenes as the practical realities of a capital project unfolded in the middle of a busy school. Mr. Hirst and Mrs. Reilly also provided substantial support and assistance.

I would also like to acknowledge the support of the Sisters and the Governors, whose encouragement and oversight have been important throughout the life of the project. Their commitment to the long-term development of the school has helped ensure that initiatives like this can take shape.

Geneva Consultancy, our developers, Mike and Pria, played a crucial role in bringing the plans to life. Colefax & Fowler and Sinclair Till extended generous discounts which allowed us to use fabrics and flooring that would otherwise have been beyond our budget. True Floors fitted the floor beautifully before Christmas. The electrician, Laplas Electrics Ltd, and the contractor, London Facilities Ltd, have been excellent, especially in terms of their flexibility and ability to fit in around the hectic school schedule.



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I would like to say a special word of thanks to our architect, Siobhan Fitzgerald. From the outset, she understood that this project was about shaping a space where children would want to spend time, where reading would feel inviting, and where the environment itself would encourage imagination. She listened carefully to feedback from staff and pupils, worked through a number of design revisions with patience and creativity, and ultimately delivered a space that feels calm and welcoming. I feel that the result speaks for itself. It is a room where children want to sit down with a book and stay there.

Over the past few years, the generosity of all parents in this community has been remarkable, and the library stands as a visible expression of that support. From time volunteering at events, making decorations, manning stands, donating clothes, food and money, Parents' Link and I are very grateful. Perhaps the clearest expression of that community spirit can be found in last year's Year 6 cohort and their families, who chose to donate the funds raised through their enterprise work to the library project. That decision says a great deal about the values of this community and the legacy those children chose to leave for those who follow them.

The children themselves have already summed it up better than any of us could. Farah in Year 5 described the library as "so cosy... my favourite space in the school." Noah in Year 4 said that when he walked in it was "breath-taking." Annabelle in Year 4 told us it felt like a "VIP experience." Theo in Year 1 also offered his verdict: "The beanbags are very soft and there's a whole new section for us!"

In the end, of course, all of this exists for one reason. It is for the children. The library is a space for them to read, to think, to discover new ideas and lose themselves in great stories. Seeing them already settling into the space with books in their hands is the clearest reminder of why it matters.

Have a good weekend when it comes.

Best,

Damien Walshe
Headteacher



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Book Fair 2026

Our annual School Book Fair has once again been a huge success! Throughout the week, the excitement has been building as the children eagerly browsed the shelves and shared their wish lists at home. Orders were distributed to the children on a first-come, first-served basis as order forms were returned to school. If your child has not yet received their books, they will be delivered next week once additional copies arrive.

It has been wonderful to see such enthusiasm for reading across the school, with children discovering new authors, series and genres to enjoy.

A huge thank you to you all for your continued support of the Book Fair. Your generosity not only helps to foster a love of reading but also enables us to earn valuable rewards to purchase new books for our classrooms and library.

Mrs Ellison – Head of English



World Book Day 2026

My favourite day of the year! I absolutely love seeing the costumes the children come to school in. The effort, creativity and energy are incredible! So firstly, thank you very much for always supporting our World Book Day celebrations.

We had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day across the school. So many wonderful activities have taken place throughout the day, including the opening of our brand-new school library, which the children already adore.



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The day began with a lively and inspiring assembly led by Year 6, who reminded us of the power of stories to spark imagination, build empathy and take us on incredible adventures. Through famous book openings, favourite characters and thoughtful reflections, they showed us that every time we open a book, we open the door to new worlds.

Across the school, children enjoyed a wide range of book-themed activities. Reception had a fantastic day exploring stories in creative ways. Inspired by Supertato, the story behind many costumes, the children designed and made their own books, created stories in the story corner and ran a class library in the role-play area. They also shared stories and costumes with their Year 3 buddies.

Year 1 loved celebrating, sharing the stories behind their costumes, taking part in a book quiz, designing bookmarks and enjoying special reading time. They also loved visiting the brand-new school library, which inspired them to keep exploring new stories. The children finished the day by writing their own imaginative short stories.

Year 2 and Year 5 enjoyed a lovely buddy session, reading together, designing book covers and bookmarks, and completing book-themed word searches.

Year 6 channelled their inner Shakespeare, writing their own spell poems inspired by Macbeth, and spent time reading to their Nursery buddies, sharing their love of stories with the youngest members of the school.

It was a joyful day filled with creativity, imagination and a shared love of reading.

Mrs Ellisdon – Head of English





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Creative Writing Competition

I have had some wonderful entries to the creative writing competition this week. It isn't too late if you'd like to enter:

"The Day the Characters Came to Our School..."

Imagine that a book character escaped from their story and arrived at our school for the day...

What would happen?

- Would Matilda take over a lesson?
- Would Harry Potter get sorted into a House?
- Would the Gruffalo explore Forest School?
- Would a character cause chaos in the lunch hall?
- Your task is to show us what happens next!

EYFS & KS1 (Nursery – Year 2)

Create a picture with labels or short sentences showing a book character visiting our school.

You can:

- Draw and label
- Write a short caption
- Create a comic strip
- Add speech bubbles

KS2 (Years 3–6)

Write a short story (up to 500 words) about a book character visiting our school.

You might include:

- Dialogue
- Description
- Humour
- A problem that needs solving
- A surprise ending!

Bonus points for:

- Ambitious vocabulary
- Strong openings and endings
- Accurate punctuation
- Creativity and originality



Please hand them to Mrs Ellisdon by **Monday 9th March**. I can't wait to see your creativity and imagination.

Mrs Ellisdon, Assistant Head (Academic)



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Under the Sea Art - Year 1

I am very proud to share our Year 1 Under the Sea display with you. This display is especially meaningful because it has been entirely designed and created by our Year 1 children. From the beautiful sea background filled with blue and green tones, to the colourful shells and starfish they decided to add, the children have worked hard to bring their ideas together. The patterned sea turtles are a lovely finishing touch that they were very excited to include. Well done Year 1!

Ms Bretones - Head of Spanish, Art & DT





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Nursery Art Exploration Week 2: Sculpture

This week we made sculptures using rings of cardboard. We tried different ways to stack, slot and balance the rings so our sculptures could stand up by themselves. Some rings were arranged to make faces, by choosing where to put the eyes, nose and mouth. We then added colour by painting, and finished by covering the sculptures with tissue paper to make them bumpy and interesting to touch. We can't wait to showcase them at our Art Exploration exhibition.

Ms Randle - Head of EYFS



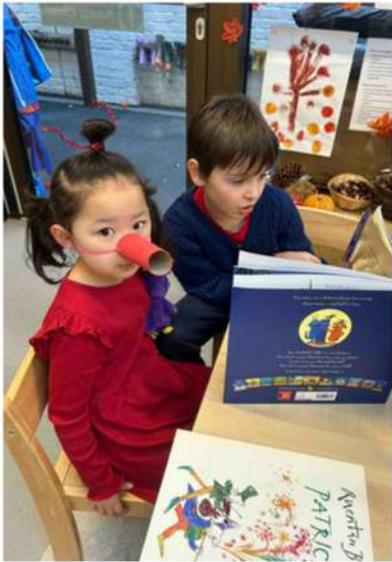


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Celebrating World Book Day in Reception

This week, Reception has been celebrating World Book Day and exploring the wonderful world of books. We have been reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts about space, spring and Ramadan, and learning about the different features of each. The children discovered that fiction books tell imaginative stories, while non-fiction books help us learn real facts and information. During choosing, the children explored books in many creative ways. In the story corner they retold and created their own tales using our Talk for Write story maps, in the creative area they designed and made their own books using cardboard and paper, and in the role play area they enjoyed acting as librarians and visitors in our class library. On Thursday, the children came to school dressed as their favourite characters and shared some of their favourite stories with our Year 3 buddies. It has been a joyful week celebrating stories, imagination and a love of reading.

Ms Williams - Reception Class Teacher





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Year 1

This week, Reception and Year 1 enjoyed a very special visit from Perform and participated in a wonderful Toyshop Drama4ALL workshop.

The children stepped inside Mrs Tuppence's magical toyshop, where toys came to life and a problem needed solving. Through interactive storytelling, movement and role play, children developed their Communication skills by speaking clearly in role, demonstrated Collaboration as they worked together to save the toy shop, and showed great Creativity and Curiosity as they entered fully into the imaginative world of the story.

It was wonderful to see such strong Commitment to the activities and thoughtful Critical Thinking as the children helped solve problems within the drama. A joyful, confidence-building experience that brought our 6Cs to life in action.

Ms Higgins and Ms Khalique - Year 1 Class Teachers





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Year 2

This week in Science, the children have been learning about seeds and the different parts inside them. They have explored how each part of a seed helps a plant to grow and have begun to understand just how much is happening beneath the surface. They have planted cress and are carefully observing it each day, watching for signs of change. There was great excitement as they examined tomato seeds under the microscope, noticing details that they simply wouldn't be able to see with the naked eye.

In Geography, the children have been learning about the United Kingdom and its capital cities. They have been introduced to using an atlas properly, exploring the four countries of the UK and locating their capitals. They discussed why London is the capital and considered historical and geographical reasons for this. Some of the class put forward strong arguments suggesting it could be elsewhere, which led to some thoughtful and lively discussion.

Ms Chand - Head of Science & Mr Burke - Year 2 Class Teacher





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KS1 Story Club

Susy's Mom's Washing Spree - This is a Japanese Story translated into English. You can read to find out about Thunder Demons. It is a funny story and I like the last part.

- Child in Year 2



We completely must go to London - I like the clicky camera and learning about - Child in Year 1 MK



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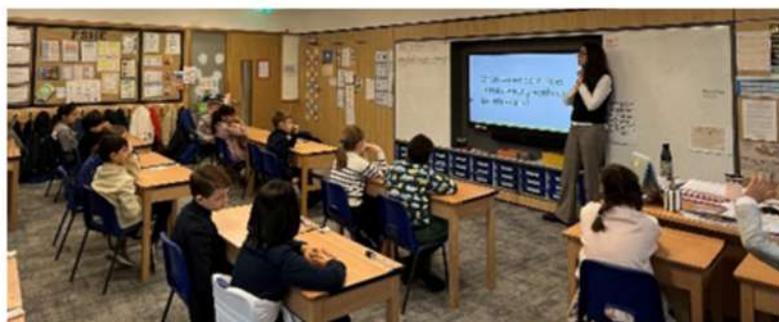
Year 3

This week, Year 3 began their exciting new Geography topic: Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes. They explored a photograph taken during the first successful ascent of Mount Everest in 1953 by Tenzing Norgay and Sir Edmund Hillary. The children identified enquiry questions, thinking carefully about what they could learn from the image and what further questions they might ask. They asked and answered thoughtful questions about the photograph, helping them develop their curiosity, observation skills and understanding of how geographers investigate places using visual clues.

In Art, Year 3 explored the work of the Italian artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo and looked closely at his famous painting Vertumnus. They enjoyed spotting the many fruits, flowers and vegetables that make up the portrait and discussing how the artist used natural objects to form a human face. Inspired by his creative style, the children designed their own colourful collage portraits by cutting and arranging pictures of fruits, flowers and vegetables. Everyone showed fantastic creativity while experimenting with different shapes and combinations.

To celebrate Careers Week, we were delighted to welcome a child's mum into class for an inspiring talk about cities and climate action. She explained how people can work together to make cities more sustainable and protect our planet. The children listened carefully, shared their ideas and asked thoughtful questions. It was a wonderful opportunity to see how their learning connects to real-world jobs that make a positive difference.

Ms Sephton - Year 3 Class Teacher





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Year 4

This week in Year 4, we explored our Catholic Social Teaching focus of Community and Participation by reflecting on the communities we belong to and creating posters or researching our school's history. In Geography, we learned about the layers of the rainforest and showcased our understanding through reports or mini-books, while in Maths we wrapped up our decimals unit by working with hundredths and dividing 1- and 2-digit numbers by 100. English brought an exciting online workshop with Michael Rosen and the British Library, where we enjoyed four food-themed stories from around the world and drew along with an illustrator, alongside revising grammar, punctuation, and comprehension in preparation for next week's assessments. We also completed our vibrant Romero Britto-inspired Happy Art, looked fantastic celebrating World Book Day with wonderful costumes and activities with our buddy class, and enjoyed a special visit from Ellie the Nutritionist, who taught us how food influences mood and challenged us to eat 30 different plants this week!

Ms Farquhar - Year 4 Class Teacher





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Year 5

Year 5 were busy learning about and taking part in all the exciting activities for World Book Day!

We kicked off the week with a fantastic workshop led by the British Library, featuring the wonderful and well-known author Michael Rosen. The children took part in a brilliant draw-along session, exploring the important connection between illustrations and language, and how both help to bring characters to life in a story. It was inspiring to see how small descriptive details completely transformed how we imagined a character.

We also thoroughly enjoyed browsing the Book Fair, discovering a wide range of different books and new authors. The excitement around reading was truly contagious!

What a wonderful week celebrating the joy of books and storytelling!

Ms O'Leary - Year 5 Class Teacher





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Year 3 & 6 Michael Rosen workshop

The children in Years 3 & 6 were excited to take part in a fantastic live workshop this week with renowned author and poet Michael Rosen, hosted by the British Library to celebrate World Book Day.

The interactive session took the children on a delicious journey through global food stories, alongside storytellers Emily Hanna-Grazebrook and Sandra A. Agard, with illustrator Allen Fatimaharan leading creative draw-alongs. From mysterious treats to magical morsels, the children discovered how different cultures use food to spark imagination, build worlds and bring characters to life.

Packed with animated storytelling, inspiring writing prompts and hands-on creativity, the workshop encouraged the children to write and illustrate their own food-themed tales. It was a joyful celebration of reading for pleasure and writing for pleasure, and a truly memorable literary experience for our budding authors!

Mrs Ellisdon - Head of English



I thought it was a really fun workshop; I particularly enjoyed the stories and how they were all related to food. My favourite story was the story from Scotland about the fairies who wanted cake. Sofi, Year 5

I liked how they came up with great stories, it felt like we were in the world of the story with them. I would have to say the second story was my favourite because I love savoury food and the story was about magic pot that made whatever food you wanted. Ollie, Year 5

I really liked Michael Rosen's story about the chocolate cake, it felt like a real story! The drawing was the best part of the whole workshop! Hunter, Year 5

We had the privilege to be involved in a live meeting with Michael Rosen and some other ambassadors of the British Library. The topic was food and we heard a few stories and learnt how to link illustrations to the stories. Alice, Year 6



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Year 6

Year 6 have enjoyed a busy and inspiring week filled with enterprise, learning and creativity. As part of their Young Entrepreneur programme, the children explored the purpose of a business plan and why it is such an important foundation for launching a successful enterprise. They learned how a business plan acts as a roadmap, outlining an idea, target audience, pricing, costs, marketing strategy and financial goals. The class discussed how entrepreneurs use business plans to clarify their thinking, attract investors and reduce risk by planning ahead. Using a structured template, the children have begun developing their own business ideas and drafting their first plans. It has been wonderful to see their creativity flourish as they begin to think strategically and ambitiously about their ventures.

We were delighted to welcome Ellie, a visiting nutritionalist, who talked to the class about the connection between food and mood. She explained how the gut and brain are closely linked and how important chemicals such as dopamine and serotonin are produced in the gut and influence how we feel. Ellie encouraged the children to eat a wide variety of foods to support a healthy gut, aiming for around 30 different plant-based foods each week, including fruits, vegetables, beans, nuts and grains. She also highlighted the importance of Omega-3 for brain development and reminded everyone that staying well hydrated helps our brains and bodies function at their best. The session was both informative and inspiring and encouraged the children to think carefully about how the foods they eat can support their wellbeing.



Year 6 loved celebrating World Book Day by reading to their buddies. In English lessons this week, Year 6 have continued their work on Macbeth and this week wrote their own magical spell poems inspired by the witches. Their imaginative writing has been absolutely brilliant.

Mrs Ellisdon - Head of English



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Thunder brews as lightning crackles,
The storm was trapped in its cloudy shackles.
Cauldron bubbles and potion flows,
King falls, and warlord grows.

Breath of dragon, tear of phoenix,
Head of snake, and sorcerer's jinx.
Tongue of bat, filled with tar,
Death escapes from Pandora's jar.

The bell tolls for our dear monarch,
Our cauldron, leaving its mark.
***The midnight hours, within our power,
Cauldron bubble, for it spells trouble.***

Liver of the ravenous shark,
Voice of the singing lark.
Insides of the lamb of God,
Heart of an ewe, and eye of cod.

His majesty's final minutes,
His saga at last finite.
***The midnight hours, within our power,
Cauldron bubble, for it spells trouble.***

Ehwan, Y6

Thunder roars, lighting crashes,
Macbeth's life, burnt into ashes.
Down the Cauldron dark and deep,
Lay the secrets of the week.

Hair of a tiger, long and thin,
Body of a doctor who committed a sin.
Stir the eyeball of a dog,
Give the secrets that you hog.

**Bubble Bubble, purple and green,
The secrets of Macbeth will be seen.**
Creak and Crash, bang and sigh,
Dear Macbeth, time to die.

Skin of a deer, smelly and thin,
Heart of a bird is as smelly as a bin.
The bone of the evelist Cod,
The Cauldron knows more than God.

**Bubble Bubble, purple and green,
The secrets of Macbeth will be seen.**
Satan Cackles, roars and shrilled
Macbeth is now finally killed

Pia, Y6



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Sport Update

It has been a fantastic week of sport for our children, with impressive performances from both our football and netball teams.

On Tuesday, the Year 5 and Year 6 football teams enjoyed two strong victories against Ivy House in the sunshine. Both teams put in excellent performances, working brilliantly together and showing great teamwork throughout the matches. They passed and moved the ball with confidence and skill, creating some fantastic attacking opportunities. There were some outstanding saves from our goalkeepers, as well as some brilliant shooting on goal. Well done to our two boys, who both scored hat-tricks, and Pia, who scored 2 goals, and they were deservedly awarded Star Player for their superb efforts.



On Wednesday, the Year 6 netball team took part in the South Hampstead netball tournament, playing six matches against other local schools. The standard of competition was very high, with lots of short, fast-paced matches and very limited breaks between games. The girls performed extremely well, demonstrating determination, teamwork and resilience throughout the tournament. We won two of our six games and were ahead in three of the other matches, only to lose by a single goal in each, a fantastic effort against strong opposition. Well done to Beatrix, who was awarded Star Player for her determined performance throughout the event.

On Wednesday, we were also delighted to welcome Ellie from Fulham F.C. Women. She led a range of engaging practices for our Year 5 and 6 children at Regents Park, helping them to develop their skills and confidence on the ball. The children were particularly impressed with the power of her shooting and picked up some valuable tips to improve their own game. Ellie also answered lots of thoughtful questions and spoke about what it is like to be a professional footballer, giving the children a real insight into the dedication and hard work involved. It was fantastic to welcome her to our lessons, and we hope to invite her back in the future to work with some of the other classes as well.



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For anyone who is interested, Ellie let us know that she will be playing two matches at Fulham's home ground, **Craven Cottage, on 29th March and 12th April**. Tickets are very reasonably priced, and more information can be found on the Fulham FC website: <https://www.fulhamfc.com/women/>

Watching a live football match is such a fantastic experience, and at the end of the game, children often have the opportunity to meet the players. It would be a wonderful chance for families to see a professional match and to support Ellie after working with her here at school.



The younger classes have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the large apparatus in PE this week, focusing on the theme of climbing and balance. It has been wonderful to see the children developing their strength and coordination, while also growing in confidence as they moved across the different pieces of equipment. They showed great determination and resilience as they challenged themselves to try new routes and skills.





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This week, we also trialed some of our newest equipment, 3 portable dart boards. On Tuesday at lunchtime, a group of Year 5 and 6 children attended our first drop-in darts club. They enjoyed learning the rules and having a go at darts for the very first time. The session was a great success and will continue during lunchtimes, initially for Year 5 and 6 children. Darts is a fantastic way to develop aim and coordination, while also supporting maths skills through scoring and number work.



Upcoming Fixtures

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| Monday 9th March | Trevor Roberts | Y5/6 Mixed Football | Home | 15.45-16.45 |
| Monday 16th March | St Mary's | Y6A and B Netball Girls | Away | 16.00-17.00 |
| Wednesday 18th March | Cavendish Tournament | Y5/6 Football Girls | Away | 10.00-13.00 |
| Monday 23rd March | Channing | Y6 Netball Girls | Away | 15.30-16.00 |

Mr Raveney - Director of Sport



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Music Update

Composer of the Month

Our composer of the month for March is **Ludwig van Beethoven**, one of the most famous and influential composers of all time. We are looking forward to exploring some of his music!

You can find out about Beethoven's music by looking at the following BBC Bitesize website page [here](#), or about his life by watching the video biography [here](#). Watch out for a live performance before Friday's assembly sometime this month too!

Here is some recommended listening. Children who complete a listening log (the slips for this can be found on the Google Classrooms, or a paper copy collected from the Music Department) will earn a house point and it would be great to see our display filled this month!

[Symphony No. 5](#) (especially the first movement which is perhaps Beethoven's most famous piece of all)
[Symphony No. 6 "Pastoral"](#), second movement (Listen out for the bird sounds in this piece – I played the flute in this when I was at college!)

[Für Elise](#) – this is one of his most famous piano pieces and is actually quite easy to play!

[Piano Sonata No. 8, "Pathétique"](#)

[Piano Sonata No. 14, "Moonlight"](#)

Mrs Byrant - Director of Music

Music Lessons

We have spaces for flute, violin, guitar, trumpet and trombone lessons at the moment. If you are interested in lessons for your child, you can find information and the application form [here](#). If you have any questions please contact me via email - ebryant@saintchristinas.org.uk

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United Kingdom Linguistics Olympiad (UKLO) 2026

We have now been participating in the annual UKLO for ten years; our first group of children participated in 2016!

This year we had just over twenty children participate, and they were solving problems in Lithuanian, Naija, Hangul, Finnish and Rumanian.

In the Breakthrough round, the three languages featured Lithuanian, Naija and Hangul - we did very well to have twelve of our children gain awards, since only the top 30% of all competitors gain awards in this competition:

Silver: Altea, Ehwan, Juliana, Philippe

Bronze: Arlo, Beatrix, Emilia, Fabio, Harry, Pia, Sara, Matthew.

In the Foundation round, which is aimed at more able children in KS3 (i.e. children aged from 11 to 14), Finnish and Romanian were added to the problems. Alas, we gained no awards in the Foundation round this year, although four of our competitors narrowly missed Bronze, which is no mean feat for a group of children who are several years younger than the leading competitors!

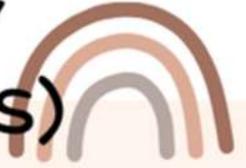
Particular note goes to the children from Y4 who took a keen interest in the competition, with some very good scores which bode well for the future.

Fr Rudolf - Teacher in charge of Enrichment



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DINY'S SENSORY AND MESSY PLAY (FROM 10 MONTHS -TO 36 MONTHS)



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NOTICES and REMINDERS

Nut Free School

We have a number of children and staff in the school who have serious nut allergies. Please will you ensure that you do not give your child any nuts or nut products (e.g. Nutella) to bring into school.

Mass – Reminder to Parents and Carers

We kindly remind parents and carers that, in line with our safeguarding policies and school guidelines, photographs and videos must not be taken of children during Mass.

We also ask that this time is respected as a moment for reflection and prayer. We would therefore be grateful if parents and carers could refrain from using mobile phones during Mass.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



Online Safety – Children and Mobile Phones

The NSPCC has published guidance for parents and carers about children's use of mobile phones and staying safe online. While phones can be helpful for communication and learning, it is important that children are supported to use them safely. The advice encourages parents to have regular conversations with their children about their online activity, set clear boundaries for phone use, and make use of parental controls and privacy settings.

You can read the guidance here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/children-phones-online-safety/>



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Dates for your diary

Monday 9th March

- Year 5/6 Mixed Football (Home)

Tuesday 10th March

- Mr Walshe visiting Merchant Taylors School
- Year 5 Science Week Trip

**Wednesday 11th
March**

- **Open Morning (9.15 - 11.30 am)**

Thursday 12th March

- Orchestra Trip (P.M.)

Friday 13th March

- Year 1 Mass (2.45pm)

Monday 16th March

- **EYFS Parent Teacher Meetings**
- Science Week
- SCS Hispanic Week (Monday - Wednesday)
- **Last Week of Clubs**

**Wednesday 18th
March**

- **Year 5 Parent Coffee Morning**
- Year 5/6 Girls Football (Away)



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Thursday 19th March

- Mr Walshe & Mr Hirst Visiting Handmaids School in Portugal (2 day)
- Year 1 Trip (Details to Follow)

Friday 20th March

- Year 4 Music Concert Trip (Details to Follow)
- Year 2 Cinema Trip (Details to Follow)
- Year 1 Mass
- Nearly New Uniform Sale

Monday 23rd March

- **No Clubs**
- Neurodiversity Week
- Year 6 Netball Fixture (Away)

**Wednesday 25th
March**

- **Year 6 Parent Coffee Morning (Details to Follow)**
- **Year 4 Zoo Trip (Details to Follow)**

Thursday 26th March

- Year 1 Cinema Trip (Details to Follow)
- **Passion Play**

Friday 27th Match

- **Nursery Art Exhibition (Details to Follow)**

Friday 27th March

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT MIDDAY FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 21st April

CHILDREN RETURN

ABOVE TIMES/DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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