

A Message from Mrs Nicolaou

It has been a wonderful start to the new term and the new year. Despite the gloomy weather of rain and snow, it has been a joy to see the children return to school full of happiness, enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn. Their positive attitudes have truly brightened our days.

Due to the unsettled weather, I kindly ask that you ensure your child comes to school with a suitable coat, ideally with a hood, along with a hat, scarf and gloves. Please make sure that **all items are clearly labelled with your child's name**, as this helps us enormously.

This week we also enjoyed the return of the *Lucky Plate* in the dining hall, which was a great success. Certificates were awarded during today's Celebration Assembly, and prizes will be given out next week. We are already looking forward to the next Lucky Plate event.

We have also reignited our House system, and I am delighted to announce that this week's winning house, with the most points, is **Faith House**. Well done to all the children and adults in Faith House for their fantastic effort.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, and let us hope that the sunshine continues to shine upon us all.

Prayer at Home

Dear God,

Please help us to make our school just like a family

Where everyone is welcomed

Where everyone is helped to do their very best

And where you are at the heart of everything we do

Amen





This week's attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality are vital to ensuring that every child achieves their full potential. Raising our attendance to **100% with no late arrivals** is a whole-school priority, and the children are fully aware of this important goal. We are encouraging them to take pride in excellent attendance and punctuality, understanding that every minute of learning counts.

During our weekly Celebration Assembly, we recognise success by announcing the classes with the highest attendance. Classes that achieve **100% attendance** are rewarded with an **extra playtime**, celebrating their commitment and teamwork.

Following consultation with **Southwark Borough**, please note that **no holidays or absences during term time will be authorised by the school**. We kindly ask parents and careers to support us by ensuring holidays are taken outside of term time and that children attend school every day unless they are unwell.



1st Place Class Attendance Winners this week are St Rose with 99.13% and will enjoy some extra playtime!



2nd Place Class Attendance Winners this week are St Josephine with 99%



3rd Place Class Attendance Winners this week are St Therese with 98%

Whole school attendance this week is:

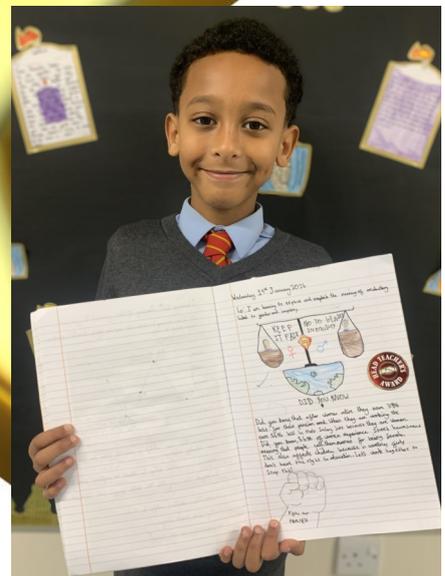
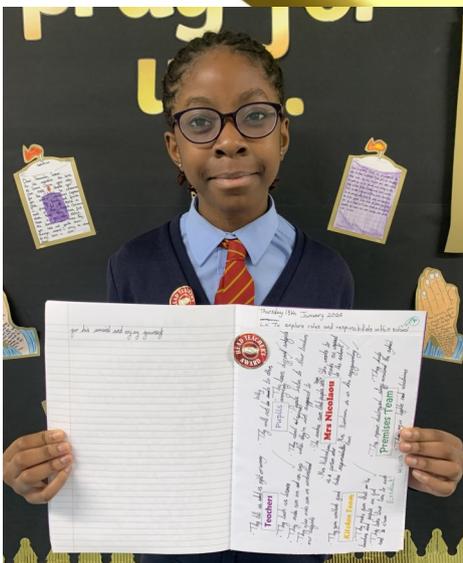
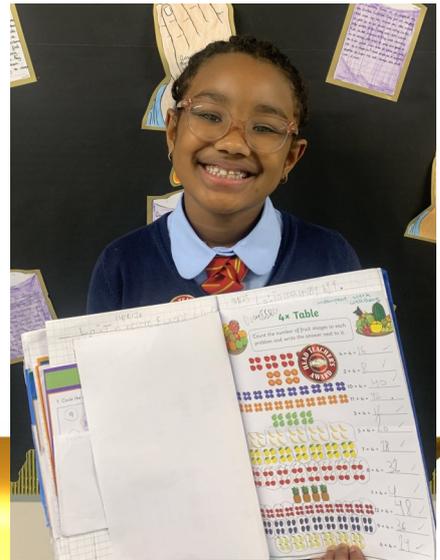
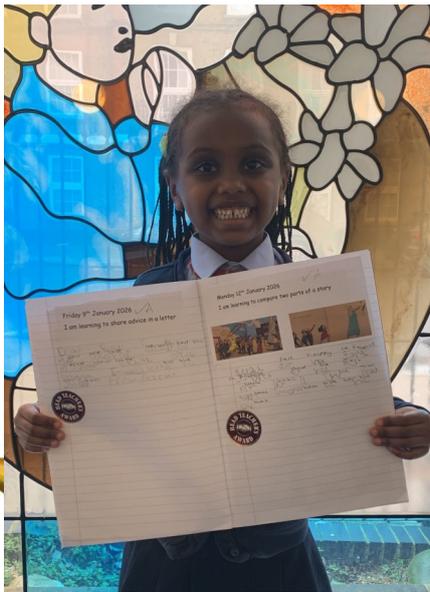
96.21%





Headteacher's Award

This week, we are pleased to celebrate our pupils who have received a Headteacher's Award. These pupils have displayed outstanding effort, and positive attitudes to learning. These awards reflect not only academic success, but also kindness, resilience, and a commitment to our school values. We are incredibly proud of all the pupils who received an award and congratulate them on being excellent role models within our school community.





This Week



Our school is buzzing with excitement as we've begun a brand-new term together, ready to learn, explore, and grow. Classrooms are refreshed, teachers are full of wonderful ideas, and big smiles can be seen all around our school. Here's to a fantastic start to the spring term, full of curiosity, kindness, and many happy achievements ahead!



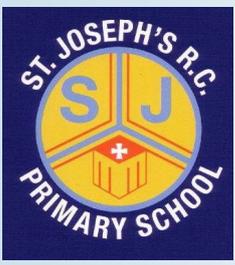


Lucky Plate Day



On Thursday, pupils took part in our exciting Lucky Plate Day, which added an extra element of fun to the school dinner experience. During lunchtime a number of plates contained hidden winning tickets and pupils across all year groups were delighted to discover if they were the lucky winners. Prizes included making fruit kebabs with Mrs Wu, a VIP dining experience with a friend, a cooking session with the Aspens team, and a chance to go to the front of the queue at lunchtime. The event was enjoyed by everyone and created a real buzz in the dining hall. Well done to all of our winners—a photo of the lucky winners can be seen below.





Notices



SEND Coffee Morning

We are pleased to invite parents and carers to a SEND Coffee Morning on Wednesday 21st January, from 9:00–10:00am, taking place in the Upper Hall of St Joseph's. This informal session will provide an opportunity to meet our link Educational Psychologist, Dr Jesvir Dhillon, our Speech and Language Therapist, Niamh Bradley, as well as Naomi Walker, a trainee Educational Psychologist who works alongside Dr Dhillon. Ms Jones, Assistant Headteacher, SEND & Inclusion, will also be attending.

The focus of the session will be on the role of an Educational Psychologist, with plenty of opportunity for parents and carers to ask questions and discuss support available in a relaxed setting over a cup of coffee. We look forward to welcoming you.



Communication



Emails

info@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk

To be used for absence reporting, general requests and messages for Class Teachers.

headteacher@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk

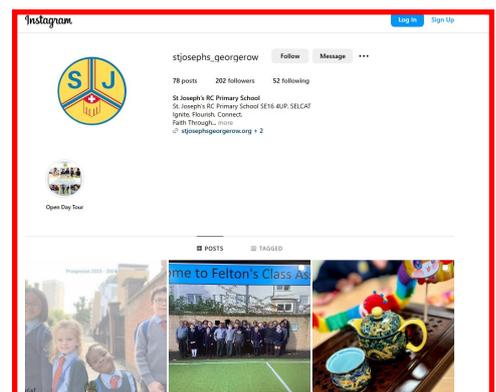
To be used for instances where you wish to contact the Headteacher privately. Please do not use this email for absence requests or notifications.

We will endeavour to respond to all emails in a timely manner. Depending on the contents of the email you may be requested to come into the school for a meeting with either the Senior Management Team or the Class Teacher to discuss or follow up further.



Our Instagram account is live and posts regular updates so please give us a follow, our username is [stjosephs_georgerow](https://www.instagram.com/stjosephs_georgerow)

[@sorcatrust](https://www.instagram.com/sorcatrust) is the Instagram page for St Oscar Romero Catholic Academy Trust (formally SELCAT)





**FEED YOUR
FAMILY
FOR £5**

SALMON AND SPINACH PASTA BAKE



Feed your family of four for £5 with this Salmon and Spinach Pasta Bake. You can make it yourself, just scan below to watch the method and get the recipe card.

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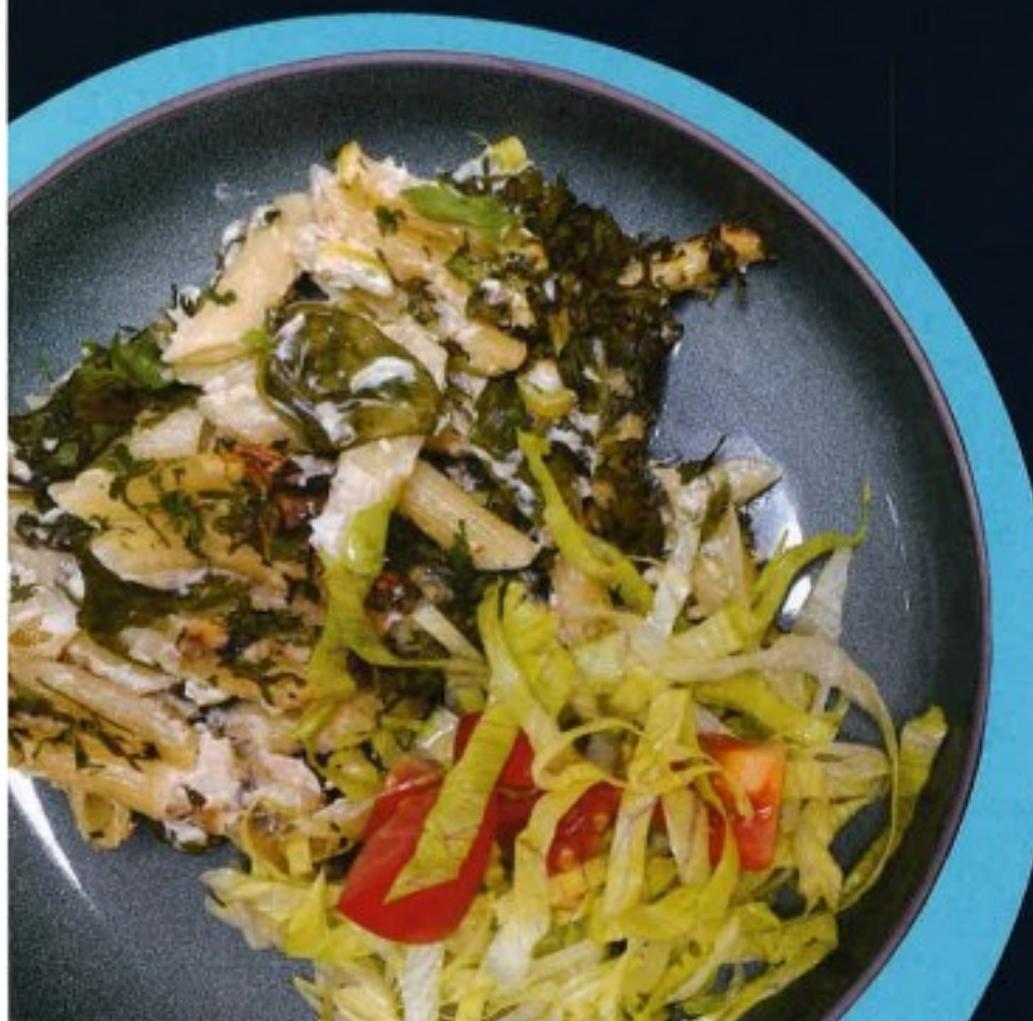


TO WATCH

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**FOR THE
RECIPE CARD**



INGREDIENTS

Main Ingredients	Cost £
400g Penne Pasta	£0.33
120g Spinach	£0.55
2 X Garlic Cloves	£0.06
3 Spring Onions	£0.34
300g Creme Fraiche	£0.85
213g The Fishmonger Pink Salmon	£1.39
10g Flat Leaf Parsley	£0.17
5g Salt	£0.02
1/3 Lettuce	£0.29
3 X Tomatoes	£0.51
1/4 Cucumber	£0.22
Total	£4.73

Prices correct at time of printing and may vary. All items available from leading supermarkets. Please observe the allergen information on the product packaging.

Based on a family of four.

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video online



THE PASTA

1. Bring a large pan of water to the boil, season with salt.
2. Add pasta and cook as per packet cooking instructions.

SALMON SAUCE

3. In a small sauce pan add the creme fraiche, chopped spring onions, garlic and drained salmon.
4. Heat until warmed through.
5. Add the spinach to the salmon sauce.
6. Once the pasta is cooked, drain the water and add the pasta to the salmon sauce.
7. Stir the salmon mixture with cooked pasta and add to baking dish.
8. Chop parsley and sprinkle over the top. Bake at 180 degrees for 25 minutes.

SALAD

9. Wash the lettuce and chop, slice cucumber and tomatoes and mix. This is your side salad!

SERVE

Remove the golden pasta bake and serve alongside your mixed salad.



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