



Newsletter - Friday 27th March 2026

A Message from Mrs Nicolaou

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to reflect on what has been a short but extremely busy Spring 2 term.

We have continued with a range of enriching trips this week. Children from St Andrew class enjoyed a visit to the Tate Modern, engaging with a variety of inspiring artworks. Meanwhile, St Therese class attended St George's Cathedral, where they performed *The Last Supper* as part of the St Oscar Romero Catholic Academy Trust's "Walking the Way of the Cross." This was an incredibly moving and reflective

performance for all the children and staff present. The children of St Therese class were an absolute credit to the school in the way they spoke, presented themselves, and demonstrated such reverence in their acting.

Our Prayer Heroes also represented the school at the Easter Mass at St George's Cathedral on Thursday. Once again, they shone alongside other Catholic schools from across the diocese, making us all very proud.

We have continued right up until the end of term, with St Therese class visiting the farm today to make their very own butter—an experience I am sure they will remember for a long time!

It has been wonderful to see the effort and creativity shown in the Easter Bonnet Challenge. I am very much looking forward to the parade this afternoon and to welcoming so many of you to this special event.

Additionally, the children from St Patrick class, St Bernadette class, and St Rose class sang beautifully and read with great confidence in their Easter production today. It was fantastic to see so many parents in attendance to support the children—thank you for your continued encouragement.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and holy Easter break.

Please remember that we have an INSET day on Monday 13th April. I look forward to welcoming you all back, bright and early, on Tuesday 14th April for the start of our Summer Term.

Best wishes Mrs Nicolaou

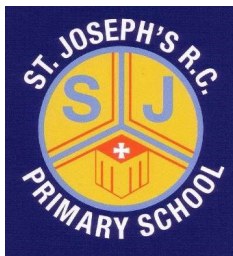
Prayer at Home

God made you and God made me,
He made the world for us to see,
God loves you and long ago,
He sent His Son to tell us so.
Jesus showed us many things,
To love and share and dance and sing.

To learn and pray, to help others and care
He promised He'd always would be there,
He died but then came back to life,
Let's celebrate for He is alive
So, let us with a joyful heart sing
Giving thanks and praise to our Glorious King.

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 carers 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 Patrick class with 100% and will enjoy some extra play-

2nd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Rose class with 98.6%

3rd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Therese class with 96.4%

Whole school attendance this week is:

91.8%





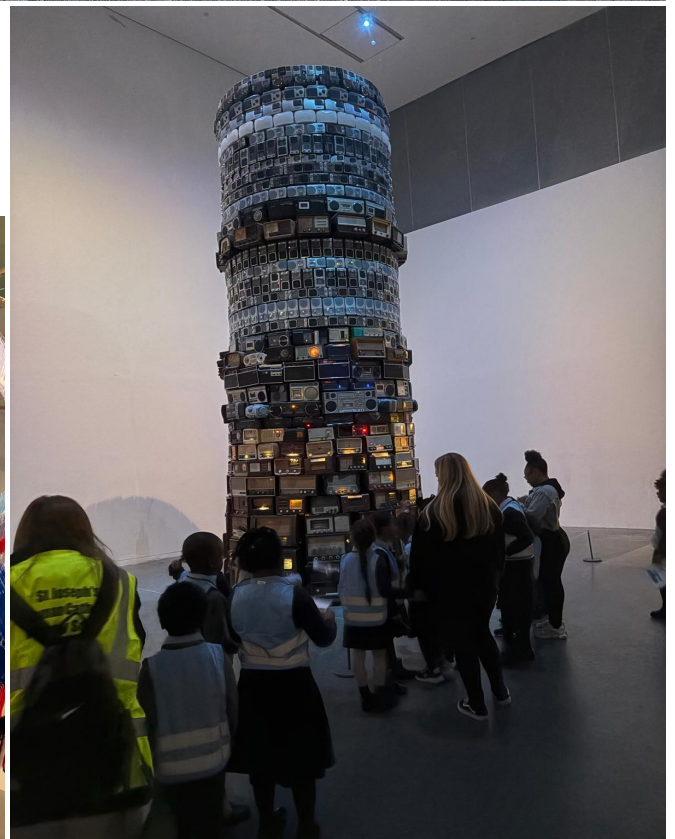
School Trips



St Andrew Class went to the Tate Modern Museum!

This week, it was Andrew Class's turn to visit the Tate Modern in support of their learning. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed exploring the wide range of artwork on display and discovering more about the exhibitions they visited.

It was a wonderful opportunity to take their learning beyond the classroom.





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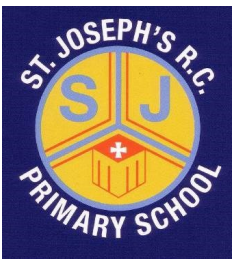


St. Therese Class went Butter Making!

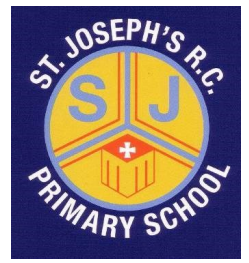
This week, St Therese Class visited Surrey Docks Farm for a butter making workshop. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about how butter is made and especially loved having the chance to make their own.

They were delighted with the results and the butter tasted delicious. It was a highly educational, hands-on experience that everyone will remember.





St George's Cathedral



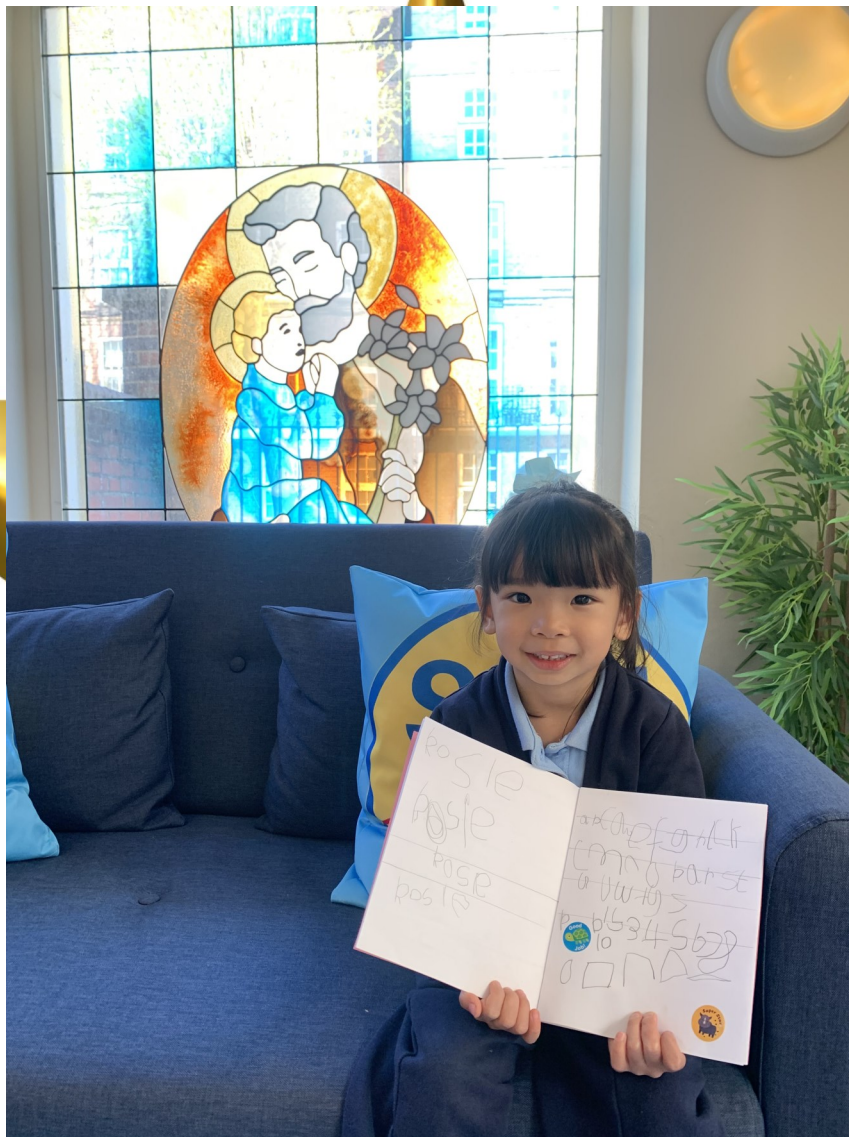
On Wednesday 25th March, we were honoured to take part in the St Oscar Romero Catholic Academy Trust celebration of “Walking the Way of the Cross,” held at St George’s Cathedral. All schools within our Trust came together for this special and prayerful occasion. Our contribution focused on *The Last Supper*, which was reverently re-enacted by the children of St Therese class. They demonstrated exceptional respect, beautiful oracy, and deeply thoughtful acting, bringing great meaning to this important moment in the story of Holy Week. Children who were not part of the performance formed part of the congregation, and their exemplary behaviour and respectful attitude throughout the service reflected our school values so clearly. I was incredibly proud to accompany the children, and it was a particular honour for our Head Boy to take part in the Headteacher procession, walking alongside me to place our school candle on the altar. Well done, St Therese class—you represented our school with great pride and dignity.

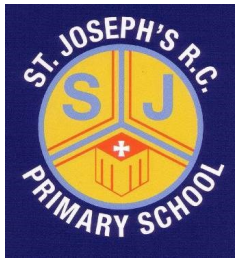




Headteacher's Award

Here at St. Joseph's 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.





Red Rose Day was at St. Joseph's



Red Nose Day took place on Friday 20th March, and St Joseph's proudly showed their support by dressing in red and raising money for Comic Relief.

It was wonderful to see the whole school community come together for such an important cause, and everyone enjoyed adding a splash of red to their usual school uniform.



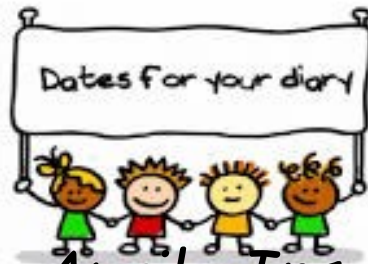
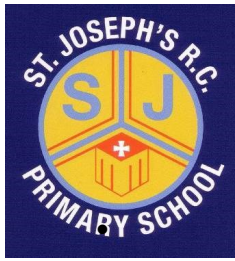
Easter Bonnet Parade



On the last day of term, we held our Easter Bonnet Parade and competition. The children created some truly wonderful bonnets and were excited to show them to their friends, teachers, and the whole school.

Excitement built throughout the day as everyone eagerly anticipated the parade. It was lovely to see so much colour and creativity across the school, and every child clearly put a great deal of effort into their unique creation.

Well done to all who took part for making the event such a joyful and memorable occasion!



- Monday 13th April—Inset Day
- Tuesday 14th April—return to school for all children
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School Announcements

- Children return to school in their summer uniform which is :
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Girls

blue and white checked summer dress and navy cardigan for the girls with white socks and black shoes.

Boys

Blue polo shirt with grey shorts or trousers and grey jumper with grey socks and black shoes

Nursery

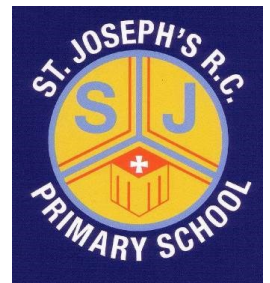
Nursery Boys

Blue polo top with either the tracksuit or grey shorts

Nursery Girls

Blue and white checked summer dress or their usual tracksuit and polo top

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.



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

