

15th September 2023

School Newsletter

A message from the Headteacher

This week we welcomed our first group of Reception children who have all thoroughly enjoyed their first taste of primary school. We look forward to welcoming the next group on Monday.

I have noticed lots of children wearing white or coloured trainers for school. Might I remind you that children should wear **all black** school shoes or trainers everyday and **all black** trainers or plimsolls of PE days. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Words of Encouragement

The words of encouragement for this week are found in Matthew 7:12:

So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

This bible verse reminds us to treat others with dignity, as we ourselves would like to be treated.

Look what the children have been doing!

Reception

We welcomed our first group of Reception children into school this week and they were all fantastic. Our priority was to give the children time to explore their surroundings, get to know the Reception team and start to become familiar with our routines.

Children enjoyed independently selecting a wide range of activities from all areas of the Early Years' curriculum.



We look forward meeting our next group of children on Monday!



Year 1

Our year 1 children have all settled in very well in their different classes and showed great enthusiasm to learn new things.

Our inspirational person this year is Benjamin Zephaniah. Children listened to his poem 'People Need People' which became famous during the Covid-19 'Lock Down'.

In Art, children used a variety of materials to create draw their families and /or friendship groups to reflect the message of the poem.

Our topic for this term is 'Field to Fork' and one of our set books is "Pattan's Pumpkin". The topic will provide an opportunity for children to take part in cooking lessons in D&T. Children looked at and identified different fruits and vegetables.

In RE, children are learning about 'The Creation'. They've looked at what God created on different days of the week and how He kept the seventh day as the day of rest.

Finally, they created their class rules and wrote individual prayers inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah's poem 'People Need People'.

Well done children for working so hard and aspiring to be the best you can be in Year 1.

Year 2

This week the children enjoyed an introduction to poetry. They had the opportunity to read a range of different classic poems ranging from 'The Owl and The Pussycat' to 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll. The children were able to identify rhyming words and explore the meanings/events from each stanza.

The children also looked at how to edit and improve their writing, moving from writing simple sentences at the beginning of the week to developing more complex and compound sentences based around their activities over the summer holidays.

Year 3

Year 3 have settled in very well. We have already been on an adventure around the school! We set off with our binoculars and our imagination and off we went! We looked for things all around us and imagined what else they could be. We pretended that the climbing frame was a mountain and that the monkey bars was a bridge above water. It was so lovely to see the children exploring our environment and using their creativity!



Year 4

Year 4 have had a good start to their academic year. The children came prepared with their FITT Projects about the Amazon rainforest and made interesting presentations last week on Friday.



This week, we visited London Zoo to bring the Amazon Jungle to life. They saw Monkeys, parrots, a range of beautiful birds, lions, tigers, wild dogs and water hogs. This enhanced the children's learning and made facts read in books more relatable.

The children look forward to more life fulfilling and educationally broadening visits.



Year 5

This week Year 5 have begun their Science unit on Properties and Changes of Material. We thoroughly enjoyed reading a Science Story about a pancake that came to life and ran away from being eaten. Throughout the journey, the pancake experienced different scientific processes like: heating, mixing, melting and more. We then got stuck in, retelling the story through story mapping.

Year 6

Year 6 classrooms were full of excitement this week! We spent time looking our class mantra '**The mind of a smart person is ready to get knowledge. The wise person listens to learn more.**' *Proverbs 18 V15*

We delved into the life of our inspirational person 'Benjamin Zephaniah' and reflected on the struggles he faced in his formative years and school. We celebrated the fact that he persevered and overcame his challenges. In his adult years he returned to education and become a well-known poet and musician.

Children produced some amazing art work inspired by his poem 'People Need People.'

In R.E. this week we spent time looking at how the Christian message first spread (Pentecost). We looked at images of artwork depicting Pentecost and discussed how the artists showed:

- Different aspects of the story
- How the Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to witness
- That the Christian message was for people of all nations



We also discussed which painting was our favourite and why.

Children Diagnosed with Asthma

If your child has been diagnosed with Asthma, your doctor will be monitoring their care and you will have a care plan in school.

New guidance about the care of children with Asthma in school has been rolled out across the borough in an 'Asthma Friendly Schools' initiative.

One of the key points in that guidance, is about children who have a moderate-severe asthma attack. In this case your child would have been given a 'weaning plan' to follow after the attack, with instructions about them taking their reliever inhalers. **This plan should be administered at home and children should not come back to school until they have finished the plan and are fully well.**

We appreciate that this has not always been made clear to parents by the hospital or GPs.

School Dinners

Last term we sent out a letter from the Mayor of London which informed parents about the Free school dinner initiative for all primary school children.

All children from Reception to Year 6 in our school are entitled to a free school dinner FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR ONLY.

There are no forms to fill in, your child just has to pick their choice from the menu displayed in class during register time and lunch will be provided.

There have been a few issues with school lunches since we returned from the Summer holidays but our caterer, Radish, has been working hard to solve them. I hope that those children who have not yet tried our school lunches will give them a go very soon.

Please see below a statement from Radish, our caterer:

"Radish are aware that since the start of the new school term there have been some issues with catering at lunchtime. This has resulted in children not receiving their ordered meal. We are very sorry and want to assure all parents that we have put additional resources in place to make sure that this does not happen again. We will ensure that all students receive the meal ordered moving forwards. We are very sorry for the issues and thank you and the school for your support and understanding."

Secondary transfer

It was good to see so many Year 6 parents on our secondary transfer zoom meeting.

Dates for application help sessions in school will be released soon so keep an eye on the newsletter.

If your child has an EHCP, Miss Alda will contact you to guide you through the secondary transfer process.

Please click on the link below to access the secondary transfer booklet and the powerpoint from last night zoom meeting.

[Latymer All Saints CE Primary School - Secondary transfer](#)

Maths big question

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Can you draw a
pentagon?



Community information

ENFIELD YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SERVICE

FUN FILLED DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

Not in school? If you want to learn new skills and meet new people as well as achieving a recognised AQA qualification, then join the Youth Development Service for our daytime provision. We have a range of options available to suit the young person's needs and interests.

PONDERS END YOUTH CENTRE

TUESDAYS MOTOR MECHANICS 10.30AM - 2.30PM 26 SEP - 7 NOV	WEDNESDAYS FASHION DESIGN 10.30AM - 2.30PM 27 SEP - 8 NOV
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Please return your completed referral form to
Enfield Youth Development Service
YDSreferrals@enfield.gov.uk

Interested?

Email YDSreferrals@enfield.gov.uk
www.enfield.gov.uk/youth
Programme is funded by Department of Education

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Dates for your diary

Please make sure you check these dates regularly as additional events may be added.

- Tuesday 26th Sept:** Individual school photographs
- Wednesday 18th Oct:** Parent teacher meetings. No children in school.
- Friday 20th Oct:** Break for half term at 3.15pm
- Monday 30th Oct:** Children return from half term
- Friday 15th Dec:** Break for Christmas holiday at 1.30pm

If you have any queries about information in the newsletter please do not hesitate to contact school via the office or to ask one of the staff team in the playground at the beginning and end of the day.

Best wishes
Katy Brennan
Head teacher

In our school we love deeply, respecting everyone and treating them with dignity;
we aspire with confidence, working hard and embracing challenge and
we serve God and the community, following the example of Jesus, to create a better world.

Ephesians 5:2 (NLT)

"Live a life of love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us"



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Dear Parent/Carer,

ANNUAL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE FUND 2023/4

As we are a Voluntary Aided School, and the buildings belong to the Church of England, the Local Authority does not fund the upkeep or insurance of the school buildings. The school has to raise funds to pay for these necessary areas of expenditure from our families.

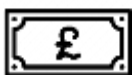



The LDBS (London Diocesan Board for Schools) runs an **annual** maintenance fund scheme for the upkeep of the buildings into which the school pays and from which the school benefits.

As with other Voluntary Aided schools, the contribution to the fund made by Latymer All Saints is based on the number of children attending the School.

For the school year September 2023 – July 2024, Governors are required to ask for an annual maintenance fund payment of £40 per pupil.

The maintenance fund is used to ensure that the school is safe and remains an effective learning environment and unfortunately if this maintenance is not paid by parents, we will be left with no option but to take funding from other areas of the school budget which will have a direct impact on the quality of provision your child receives.

We have a number of ways in which you can pay this fee:

	Cash and Cheque via the School Office (With child's name and class on the reverse of the cheque)
	All major Credit and Debit cards via the School office
	ParentPay – www.parentpay.co.uk (if you have difficulty with your parent pay account, please contact the school office where we will be more than happy to help you)
	Via Bank transfer to HSBC Latymer All Saints PS, Account: 51503200, Sort code: 40-20-23 (Using your child's first initial and surname as a reference)
If you have any questions, please contact the school business manager BYRON RUSSELL via the School Office at Office@LatymerAllSaints.Enfield.Sch.Uk	

Kind Regards
Stella Mwa
Chair of Governors

