

St Eugene's Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very proud of our hard-working Year 6 children who completed all of their SATs tests this week.

We have been nominated in Waitrose Finchley Rd as a charity for the month of May. If you are shopping in Waitrose, please do pop a token, see overleaf for more details.

Best wishes, Mrs Smith (Head of School)

Go shine in the world!



Why do we have homework at St Eugene's?

Homework, along with school lunches, toilets and uniform is one of the most controversial and heavily debated topics in school life. Parent questionnaires indicate in most schools that parents are very divided in terms of what constitutes too much homework and too little. In most schools there are some parents who think that there should be no homework at all and some who want homework and a report from the teacher every day! At St Eugene's we hope to find a happy medium in this area.



The single most important piece of homework that every child, from Reception class to Year 6 can do, is to read every day with an adult!

We think that homework should:

- *promote a partnership between home and school in supporting each child's learning;*
- *help pupils develop the skills of an independent learner;*
- *consolidate and reinforce learning done in school and to allow children to practise skills taught in lessons;*
- *help children develop good work habits for the future*

We value your support in making sure that your child has what they need in order to do their homework well: a routine around when they do their homework and somewhere quiet to work (without the background noise of a television).

If your child is having difficulties with the homework set, or you have a query about the homework, please make an appointment to meet your child's teacher. We are always happy to help:)

First Holy Communion... Many of our Year 3 children, and some from older classes, will be making their First Holy Communion at the Sacred Heart Church this weekend, on Saturday 13th May and next weekend on Saturday 20th May at 1pm and 3pm. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they receive the Eucharist for the very first time. It is a very special day!



A reminder... We are delighted when parents make appointments with class teachers to take a look at their children's work. Do make an appointment with your child's class teacher if there is anything you would like to discuss. If you are worried about something, see us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one... You can also pop in to tell us good news. It helps to keep us going with a smile :)

Our school website address: www.steugene.camden.sch.uk

I have received and read the St. Eugene's Primary School newsletter of 12.5.17

Signed _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

Important dates for your diary...



Monday 22nd May 11:00 School Mass in church to celebrate the feast of St Eugene; all welcome
Thursday 25th May Healthy Heart Day (all wear PE kit)
Friday 26th May Coffee Morning for parents 9:05-9:45 in hall
29th May-2nd June Half Term: school closed
Tuesday 20th June Y6 2:00 Production for parents in hall
Thursday 29th June Sports Day
Monday 3rd July-Wed 5th July Y6 School Journey PGL
Monday 3rd July Y3 2:45 class Mass in hall: parents welcome
Friday 7th July Academic Review Day
Monday 10th July 2:45 Y6 Class Mass
Wednesday 12th July 1:30 Whole School Mass to celebrate 50th Anniversary in Church
Friday 14th July PTFA Family BBQ 6-8pm
Monday 17th July 2:30 Summer Music Concert
Thursday 20th July 9:15 Y6 Leaver's Assembly
Friday 21st July last day of summer term.

Spanish phrase of the week...

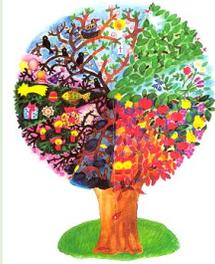
This week's phrase is:
el mes de mayo
which means; the month of May, in English.



Waitrose

St Eugene's PTFA & 50th Anniversary celebrations are one of the three nominated charities for our local Waitrose Community Matters scheme. If you're shopping in Waitrose on the Finchley Road, collect your token at the till and pop it into our slot!
Thank-you so much to our wonderful PTFA for arranging this:)

Our prayer...



Dear Lord,
We thank you for all of your blessings.
We know that all our gifts come from you.
May we use our gifts in a way that shows our gratitude for them.
May we take time every day to search within ourselves and see the gifts you have blessed us with.
May we not be jealous of the gifts of others, but nurture and celebrate our own gifts. In giving of ourselves we say thank you God, from whom all our gifts come. **Amen**

Coffee Mornings...

Our next Coffee morning will be on **Friday 26th May 9:05 in the hall** and will be about how to support your child's physical development. It will be led by an Occupational Therapist, Shaaron Powell.
Do come along and join us if you're free that morning:)



Work of the week...

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).
Do come and take a look.



Year 2 have been reading "Willy the Wimp" by Anthony Browne. Itzik Shahrabany has written a brilliant retelling of the story, which has been chosen this week as Work of the Week. Itzik has used a variety of sentences to make his writing interesting for the reader. He has included some well-thought-out adjectives and phrases, which bring his story to life. Itzik is able to use a range of punctuation correctly.
Well done Itzik!

