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PSD Football Tournament

Dear Parents / Carers,

A huge welcome back to the summer term and I hope that you've had a lovely restful time with your families during Easter break. This holiday is always my favourite as I find that it's not as busy as Christmas and the weather starts picking up. We visited our family in Yorkshire who live on a farm and have chickens. My girls loved it and we were blessed with great weather. I shared a funny story with the children in assembly about how I was encouraged to come down the slide. The things that we do as parents!

This week, in assembly we heard about Thomas, one of Jesus' disciples, who didn't believe that he had risen. We talked about how at times we need faith to believe things and that this can be tricky.

KS1 pupils joined me for a new assembly called **Music and Mass** in which we began to pick one of the different aspects of mass to develop the children's understanding.

Please ask your child to tell you a little bit about some of the things that happen at mass. We recited the Lord have mercy at the start of mass and sang the following song - [Circle Song](#).

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 20TH APRIL

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TUESDAY 21ST APRIL

Reception trip to Bocketts Farm

WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL

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THURSDAY 23RD APRIL

Years 3 & 4 Hockey Tournament @ St Pauls

FRIDAY 24TH APRIL

Year 3 Mass  
Year 4 Swimming  
Years 5 & 6 Boys Football vs Clendon

This half term we will look at Mary, the Mother of God, the Catholic Social Teaching Value of Dignity and continue the school value of Persevering Peter.

We will also continue to focus on raising attendance and further develop our Family, Fine Dining.

I wish you all a lovely weekend and look forward to a great term.

God bless,

**Ms Murphy - Headteacher**



## Attendance

This week's **highest attendance** was **Badgers** (99.2%) and **1G** (98.7%). Our school target is now 98%.

A huge thank you to all parents for a real push on attendance this week and for ensuring your child is in school for as close to 8.30 am as possible.

**Ms Murphy - Headteacher**

## After School Clubs

**After school clubs will commence next week.** Can we please ask you to remind your child which club they will be attending and on which days.

Please be advised that bookings for our after school clubs are now closed. If you would like to enquire about availability for any of our clubs, please email me directly via [admin@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk).

**Miss McCormack - School Office**

# Workshops and Trips

Please see below a summary of the workshops and educational trips scheduled so far this year, along with their corresponding payment deadlines. We kindly ask that all payments are made by the stated deadlines to ensure that each event can go ahead as planned.

- **Year 3 - Ancient Egyptians Workshop**
  - Date: 8th May 2026
  - Payment Date: 1st May 2026
- **Year 3 - Roald Dahl Museum**
  - Date: 2nd June 2026
  - Payment Date: 15th May 2026
- **Year 2 - Bracknell Lookout Trip**
  - Date: 5th June 2026
  - Payment Date: 15th May 2026
- **Year 1 - London Zoo**
  - Date: 1st July 2026
  - Payment Deadline: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026
- **Current Year 5 - PGL Residential Trip**
  - Please refer to the previous letter for the full payment schedule.
  - 2nd Installment Due Date: 27th February 2026

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

**Miss McCormack - School Office**

## Year 4 Swimming Lessons

This is a reminder that Year 4 swimming lessons commence next Friday. Dates for the term are as follows:

### Summer Term 1:

- Friday 24th April
- Friday 1st May
- Friday 8th May
- Friday 15th May
- Friday 22nd May

### Summer Term 2:

- Friday 5th June
- Friday 12th June
- Friday 19th June
- Friday 26th June
- Friday 3rd July

**Note:** Please ensure that children have their swimming costumes and a towel with them on these dates.

**Mr Penson and Miss Partington - Year 4 Class Teachers**

# PSD Football Tournaments

On Thursday, we took 2 boys football teams to play in a tournament organised by our PE providers PSD. Both teams had an enjoyable afternoon and got the chance to play lots of football. The A team were unbeaten throughout the whole tournament and were the overall winners. Well done boys, that is the 2nd year in a row that we have won the boys tournament!

An extra special mention to **Dominic P** (6S), who was awarded 'Player of the Tournament'.

On Friday, the girls team played in the same tournament but this time the emphasis was on having fun and getting more girls involved in football. As such, it was run as a festival rather than a competition with winners.

The girls all had a fun afternoon, displayed their ever improving football skills and demonstrated their great sportsmanship. Well done girls!

**Miss Grady - Year 1 Class Teacher and PE Lead**



# Opal Play Certificates



The following children have been awarded an OPAL play certificate during our Friday Celebration Assembly.

## Golden Broom Award

- KS1 - Harry H
- KS2 - Mehry T

## Golden Welly Award

- KS1 - Lok Yau Adley L
- KS2 - Ingrid N A K-Y A

**Miss Frew - Assistant Headteacher**

# Headteacher Awards

Each week our pupils are recognised for following our school values. This week's value was **Respectful Rowan**. During our Celebration Assembly today the following children were awarded a Headteacher Award:

## Reception:

- Hedgehogs - Joseph K
- Badgers - Rohan S

## Year 1:

- 1OS - Austin W
- 1G - Clara S-C

## Year 2:

- 2C - Lok Yau Adley L
- 2BP - Elysa-Blu B

## Year 3:

- 3V - Ashanaa K
- 3BF - Yukta R

## Year 4:

- 4P - Elijah M
- 4AP - Anjana D

## Year 5:

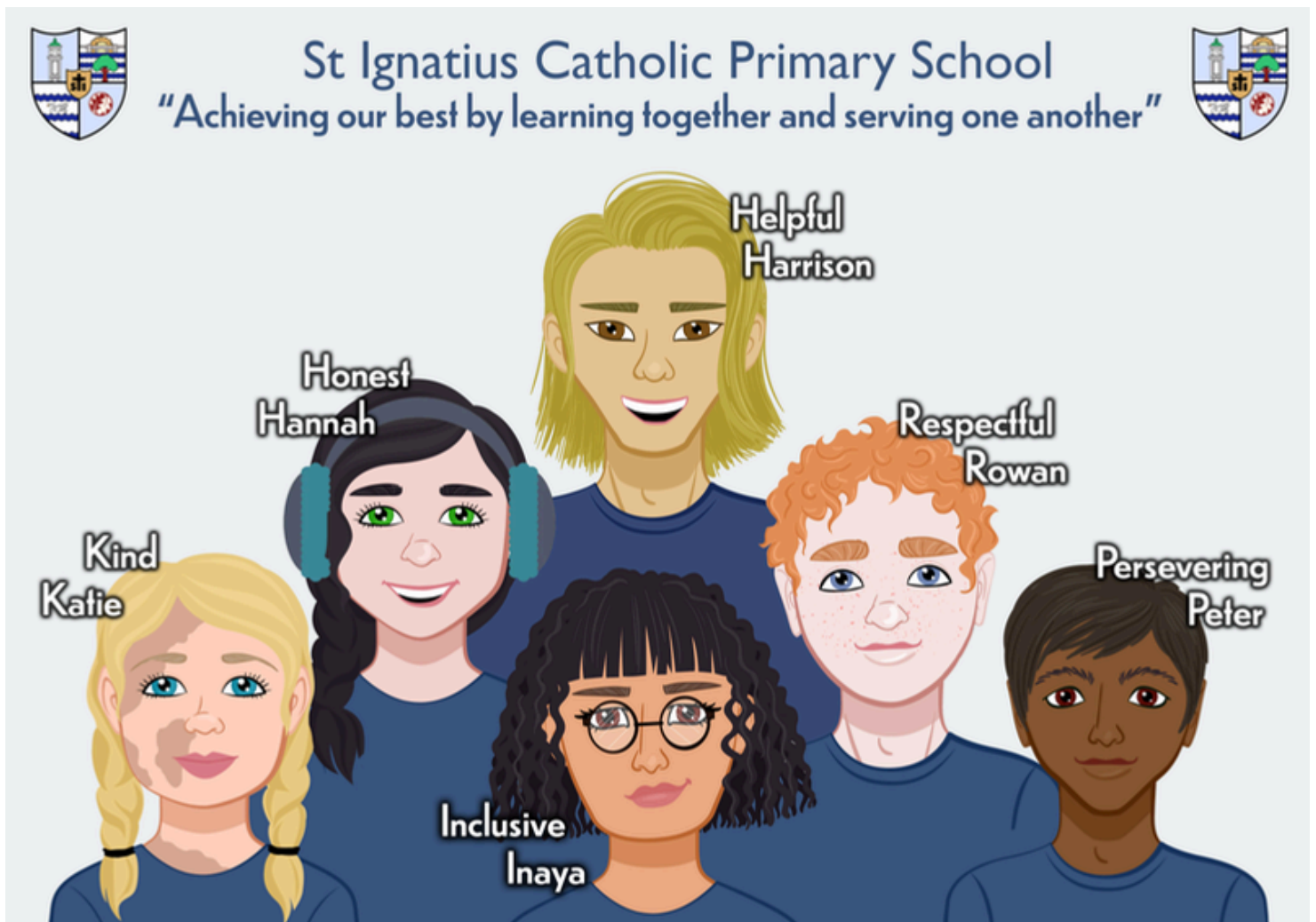
- 5W - Oliver W
- 5B - Adeola F

## Year 6:

- 6N - Jeremiah J
- 6S - Darcy E

I am so very proud of each and every one of you!

**Ms Murphy - Headteacher**



# PE Notices

## Years 5 & 6 Boys A Team Football

The following fixtures have been arranged:



- **Friday 24th April** (home vs Clarendon). Letter to be sent on Monday if it is reconfirmed

## Years 3 & 4 Boys and Girls Football Tournament

This will take place on the afternoon of **Thursday 30th April**.

Unfortunately, as timings are tight, we can only take 1 boys and 1 girls team. I will send letters next week and confirm who is in the teams.



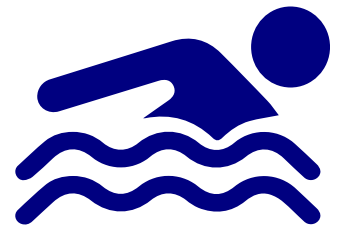
## Year 3 and 4 Hockey Tournament

Taking place at St Paul's on **Thursday 23rd April** after school. Letter sent via email.



## Swimming Gala

The swimming gala for Years 4, 5 and 6 will take place on **Wednesday 20th May**. If your child is a good swimmer and would like to take part, please ask them to meet me in 1G on Tuesday (21st April) lunchtime at the start of lunch.



## Advanced Notices:

- Year 5 & 6 Girls and Boys ACAT Football Tournaments will take place at St Paul's on **Monday 8th June**
- District Sports (Athletics) will take place on **Thursday 2nd July**. I will hold trials after May half term
- KS1 Sports Day will take place in the **afternoon of Tuesday 23rd June** (*weather permitting*)
- KS2 Sports Day will take place in the **morning of Tuesday 23rd June**. More details will be sent nearer the time (*weather permitting*)
- EYFS Sports Day will take place in the **morning of Monday 6th July**. More details will be sent nearer the time (*weather permitting*)

**Miss Grady - Year 1 Class Teacher and PE Lead**

# Opal Play

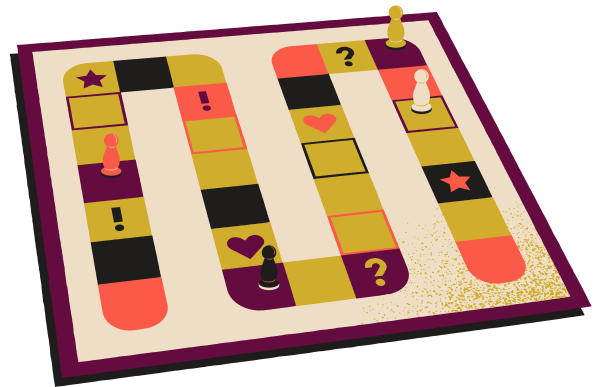
## Can you help us?

We are looking for resources to enhance our current stock in several of our different Opal Play areas. If you have any items listed below that you no longer need, please send them into school with your child and ask them to take them to classroom 1G:

- Sandpit toys
- Blankets
- Cushions
- Bean bags
- Board games
- Jigsaw puzzles

Thank you for your support.

**Miss Grady - Year 1 Class Teacher and PE Lead**



## Wake Up Wednesdays

### What Parents and Educators Need to Know about the App and Play Stores

With millions of apps available and children accessing them from an increasingly young age, app stores can present a range of risks. From malware and copycat apps to inappropriate content and persuasive in-app purchases, this guide highlights how easily young users can encounter issues – even when using official platforms.

It also offers clear, practical advice to help parents and educators manage these risks. From setting up parental controls and checking app credibility to having open conversations about safe usage, the guide supports adults in building children's awareness, encouraging safer choices and promoting more balanced, responsible app use.

**Miss Partington - Year 4 Class Teacher**

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about APP & PLAY STORES

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Since the introduction of Apple's App Store and Google's Play Store, an estimated two million apps have been made available on each. Ofcom's 2025 media use and attitudes report states that more than half of children aged between 3 and 7 use apps or sites to communicate with each other, and, by the ages of 10 to 12, 45% of children are playing games on their mobile phones. This guide will help you ensure that children use the app stores and their content safely.

### MALICIOUS APPS WITH MALWARE

Although Google and Apple must approve the apps on their official stores, inappropriate content sometimes slips through the net. For example, in 2023, the security company Kaspersky found that multiple iOS and Android apps contained screen-reading software, primed to look for passwords and stealing crypto-wallet recovery phrases captured in screenshots.

### UNOFFICIAL COPYCAT APPS

Both official app stores contain copycat apps – often games – designed to look like popular rivals, mimicking their branding, layout and logos. While these will usually just offer a poor experience packed with ads as a quick money-making exercise, they're also more likely to be vessels for malware than the products they're counterfeiting.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

As the App Store and Play Store are for all ages, there's a lot of content available that's inappropriate for children. Examples include apps that have references to alcohol, drugs, sex, violence or gambling. In general, these are sensibly age-rated, but social media sites such as YouTube and TikTok, which both have an App Store age rating of 12+, can be gateways to adult material.

### PREDATORY IN-APP PURCHASES

App-making is a business, and most creators have found that 'freemium' software is the way to make money. That means the app will be free initially but will either require the user to watch ads or rely on them making in-app purchases. Some 'free' apps can be predatory, and there are plenty of examples reported where parents have racked up huge bills on behalf of their children's app activity.

### ADDICTIVE BY DESIGN

Phone addiction is fast becoming recognised as a real concern, and apps are a big part of this. Freemium apps have a real incentive to keep children checking in every day in order to generate more ad views or secure extra in-app purchases. This can interfere with schoolwork and other offline hobbies.

### SIDELoaded BANNED APPS

'Sideloaded' – the more complicated practice of installing applications on a device from sources other than the official app stores – bypasses Google's and Apple's security procedures; however, it is possible for tech-savvy users. This opens up huge risks – not just apps that would be forbidden by Apple and Google, but pirate ones packed with malware too.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### ACTIVATE PARENTAL CONTROLS FOR APPS

Both Google and Apple have apps that can give adults greater control over children's phone activity. 'Screen Time' (iPhone) and 'Family Link' (Android) have a range of features, such as letting you set age-related restrictions on the app stores, require permission to download an app, set daily time limits on specific apps, and control real-world spending.

### DO YOUR RESEARCH

If children ask permission to download an app, do your due diligence and research it. Read the app summary and search the internet for reviews and discussions to establish its legitimacy, safety and appropriateness – if it doesn't seem to be appropriate, look for safer alternatives instead.

### LOOK BEYOND THE REVIEWS

App store reviews are helpful, but they are easily gamed, and some unscrupulous developers will pay for quick reviews to give their work perceived legitimacy. Take more than a cursory glance at listings by digging out the one- and two-star reviews and looking closely at the developer – for example, if they've published a lot of unrelated apps, that's a red flag.

### TALK TO YOUR CHILD

Talk to children and make sure they're aware that apps can be risky. As part of a wider talk about internet literacy, ensure they don't download apps outside of the official channels, nor grant apps permission to access their camera, microphone, or photos without a good reason. Make sure they understand that in-game currency costs real-world money.

### Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, The Telegraph, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

# Let's Celebrate

We love to hear about your pupils' achievements both inside and outside of school.

- Congratulations to **Pari M** (4AP) and **Dev M** (1G) who recently started kickboxing and have absolutely thrived. Both have picked it up very quickly and have shown discipline, commitment and determination, to achieve the next belt. Which they have successfully achieved. Pari received her red belt and Dev received his blue Senior. Well done to them!



Mrs Tunnicliffe - School Office

## Lunch Menu

Please see below next week's menu. Please discuss with your child their preferred lunch options and book via [IFG](#).

<b>MENU WEEK 2</b>		<b>SERVED W/C:</b> 9th Mar, 20th Apr, 11th May, 1st June, 22nd June, 13th July		<b>Cucina IFG</b>	
	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Main Meal</b> OPTION 1	Margherita pizza & oven baked wedges	Pea-powered vegetable pie & new potatoes	Cheesy cauliflower pasta bake	Lentil & sweet potato dahl with vegetable rice	Vegetable sausages, chips & tomato ketchup
OPTION 2	Tomato, spinach & salmon pasta	Chicken & vegetable pie with new potatoes	Roast turkey breast, roast potatoes & gravy	Lemon & herb chicken with chickpeas & vegetable rice	Fish & chips with tomato ketchup
<b>Veggies</b>	Broccoli	Peas	Carrots & cauliflower	Selection from the salad bar	Peas
<b>Pasta</b>	Penne pasta with a creamy cheese sauce	Penne pasta with house tomato sauce	Creamy pesto penne pasta	Penne pasta with a creamy cheese sauce	Penne pasta with house tomato sauce
<b>Filled Rolls</b>	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Cheese Tuna mayo
<b>Sweet Treats</b>	Watermelon Wedge	Oaty apple crumble & custard	Chocolate Mousse	Carrot cake with orange glaze	Raspberry jelly & mandarins

**Available Every Day -** Crunchy Colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise & Cheese & Beans

**KEY** Wholegrain (wheat icon) Vegetarian (leaf icon) Nutritionist's Choice (rainbow icon) Vegan (leaf icon)

# Key Term Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Reception trip to Bocketts Farm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Years 3 & 4 Hockey Tournament @ St Paul's (after school)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 Mass
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Years 5 & 6 Boys Football vs Clarendon (after school)
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Years 3 & 4 Girls & Boys Football Tournament
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 5 Fire Safety Workshop
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Procession
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 2 Mass
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 4 Swimming
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day (Bank Holiday)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 2 Fire Safety Workshop
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 River Trip - The Thames
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Science Workshops
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 Mass
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 Egyptian Workshop
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Cedars Park Trip
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Years 4-6 Swimming Gala

Date	Event
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	PTA School Disco
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 4 Parent Assembly
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 1 Parent Assembly
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	End of Half Term

## External Notices

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\*Subject to availability. Valid for 12 months from 15/04/26. New students only.

# Royal Ballet and Opera

**Applications are now open to join the Royal Ballet and Opera's Youth Opera Programmes.**

We are inviting young singers aged 8–11 (on 1 September 2026), living in and around London, to apply to join our Young Voices programme and Youth Opera Company this September.

**Applications close at midnight on Sunday 10 May.**

Both programmes are free and offer an exciting opportunity for young people to develop their singing, performance skills, and confidence.



## **Young Voices (Ages 8-9)**

A six-month singing training programme developing vocal skills and musical understanding and vocal skills, with performance opportunities in showcases at the Royal Opera House.

## **Youth Opera Company (ages 9–11)**

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### **Current members say:**

*"It has been one of the most amazing experiences of my life. Before I joined YOC, I was a bit hesitant about opera, but I now really enjoy it!"* – 2025 Youth Opera Company member

*"YOC is really special because I've met lots of other young people who like singing, like me. I've also loved performing on the Royal Opera main stage in *The Magic Flute* and in *Hansel and Gretel*."* – 2026 Youth Opera Company member

Find out more and apply here: [\*\*RBO Youth Opera Programmes\*\*](#)

Applications close at midnight on Sunday 10 May. If you have any questions, or run into any issues completing the application form, please do get in touch at [youthopera@roh.org.uk](mailto:youthopera@roh.org.uk).

**Stephanie Waldron - Opera Officer, Royal Ballet & Opera**

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# Safeguarding

Governors and staff of St Ignatius share an objective to help keep children safe by:

- Providing a safe environment for them to learn
- Identifying children who are suffering or likely to suffer significant harm, and taking appropriate action.

Please read through the safeguarding guidance documents on this page, which include those designed for children. Please contact the Designated Safeguarding Leads below should you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child.

You can do this by calling the school directly, or emailing: [dsl@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk)

You can also find out more about how we teach safety to children on our [Safety Curriculum](#) page, in the Curriculum section of the website.

## DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD (DSL):

Mrs E O'Neill - Deputy Headteacher

## DEPUTY DSL:

Ms H Murphy - Headteacher

Miss T Frew - Assistant Headteacher

Mrs I Barkworth - SENDCo

Mrs L Whittington - KS2 Lead

Miss Z Palmer - KS1 Lead

Any concerns can be discussed with a DSL. If you have any concerns that involve the Headteacher, please contact the **Ascension Catholic Academy Trust** via email at [admin@ascensioncat.org](mailto:admin@ascensioncat.org) or by telephone on 0208 325 4630. The LGB details are being updated.

You can read our **Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy** [here](#).

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