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Years 3 & 4 Hockey Tournament

Dear Parents / Carers,

Another busy week at St Ignatius. Year 5 pupils have been out and about looking at plastic waste in the environment as part of their Geography topic and will also use this information to inform some writing in their English lessons.

The Reception classes went on a visit to **Bocketts Farm** and I believe had a wonderful time. Year 1 have been making smoothies this week as part of their D&T topic. There is always such a lovely buzz around the school of learning across different areas of the curriculum.

Over the next week, I will be meeting children whose attendance has increased. They will receive a congratulations letter home and a Headteachers Award. Thank you to the families for supporting their child's attendance.

Our school priorities continue to be focused on improving whole school attendance and writing in both English, as well as across the curriculum.

In **Family Fine Dining** this week, we listened to the music of Beethoven and Year 6 were able to eat in a special area outside. Parasols have been purchased and the children requested music so I will be looking into this. We are keen to support transition for Year 6 so we hope this designated area for them will be welcomed!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 27TH APRIL

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TUESDAY 28TH APRIL

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WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL

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THURSDAY 30TH APRIL

Years 3 & 4 Girls Football Tournament
Year 5 Fire Safety Workshop

FRIDAY 1ST MAY

May Procession
Year 2 Mass
Year 4 Swimming

I did notice though that many children needed reminders about using a knife and fork correctly so if you can give a short amount of time this weekend to go over this, I would really appreciate your support.

Next week, we will focus on the value of **Kind Katie**. It is wonderful to see how much kindness there is amongst children most of the time. As adults, we are the role models for our children and modelling kindness is so important.

This weekend, I will meet my first great niece! I feel incredibly lucky and also a bit old! Her name is Wren and I look forward to lots of cuddles.

God bless,

Ms Murphy - Headteacher

Attendance

This week's **highest attendance** was **5B** (99.4%) and **Hedgehogs** (98.9%).

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

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
- **Years 5 & 6 Wellbeing Warriors Workshop**
 - Date: 7th May 2026
 - Payment Date: 4th 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: 19th June 2026
- **Year 2 - The Great Fire of London Workshop**
 - Date: 2nd July 2026
 - Payment Date: 18th June 2026
- **Current Year 5 - PGL Residential Trip**
 - Installments date as follows:
 - Friday 27th March 2026
 - Thursday 30th April 2026
 - Friday 29th May 2026
 - Tuesday 30th June 2026 (final payment)

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Miss McCormack - School Office

Reading Cafe

Our Reading Cafe continues to take place very successfully every morning in school. We have a group of wonderful regular volunteers who continue to show service to our school, giving their time and support to provide children with this invaluable opportunity for extra reading support!

If we do have anyone who would like to become a reading volunteer, please contact Miss Frew on the email address above.

Miss Frew - Assistant Headteacher



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NEXT LEVEL**

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fortnightly session

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with the day(s) you can help

Training provided




Year 1 Smoothies



The children in Year 1 have had great fun tasting fruits and designing and making their own healthy smoothies for our DT topic this half term.

Thank you to the parents who so kindly contributed so that we could buy all of the fruits. Here are a few photos from our smoothie making morning.

Miss Grady - Year 1 Class Teacher and PE Lead

Reception visit Bocketts Farm

Reception children visited Bocketts Farm on Tuesday. They had a wonderful time feeding and stroking the animals. They were able to get up close with guinea pigs, a rabbit, a chicken and a duckling. Some children even fed a cow! The children particularly enjoyed the pig race where the purple pig won.

Miss Ritchie & Miss Palmer - Reception Class Teachers



Opal Play

This week the children had their Summer Term Opal Play assembly. We began by looking at all the things that we can celebrate about our Opal Play:

- Our new bike track
- Lots of fun in the den building area
- The Play Leaders leading fun games
- All of the Reception children now playing on the big playground



Here are some of the photos that we looked at showing our excellent play:



We then moved on to the inform section of our assembly where we shared some important information with the children:

- Tuesday lunch is the day for Reception children to play on the big apparatus
- The grass area will be split into 2 zones - a reading area with cushions and blankets and an area for children to play or do gymnastics
- We need to be careful with the red trollies and make sure these are only used for moving equipment boxes and not for play
- Look for a play leader if you don't have anyone to play with (they wear a blue tabard)
- When the tidy whistle goes at 12.55, it is everyone's job to tidy up for 5 minutes. The tidy leaders can give out Class DoJos to children who they see doing great tidying
- Mr Jackson is going to run a different game every day in the area next to the yellow netball court. If you have a game that you would like him to run (e.g. tennis, basketball, cricket), please speak to him

Finally, we reminded the children that we're always looking for new clubs and ideas to enhance our Opal Play. If you would like to lead a club, please let us know your idea. Equally, if you have any ideas for what else you would like us to develop or improve in our Opal Play, let us know.

Miss Frew - Assistant Headteacher

Opal Play Certificates



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

Golden Broom Award

- KS1 - Leonora L-M
- KS2 - Matthew M

Golden Welly Award

- KS1 - Alana H
- KS2 - Anjana D

Miss Frew - Assistant Headteacher

Headteacher Awards

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

Reception:

- Hedgehogs - Lyla-Valerie N
- Badgers - Rudi P

Year 1:

- 1OS - Freddie E
- 1G - Malaika K

Year 2:

- 2C - Erik P
- 2BP - Jack D

Year 3:

- 3V - Kian G
- 3BF - Layla R

Year 4:

- 4P - Oscar T
- 4AP - Charlie C

Year 5:

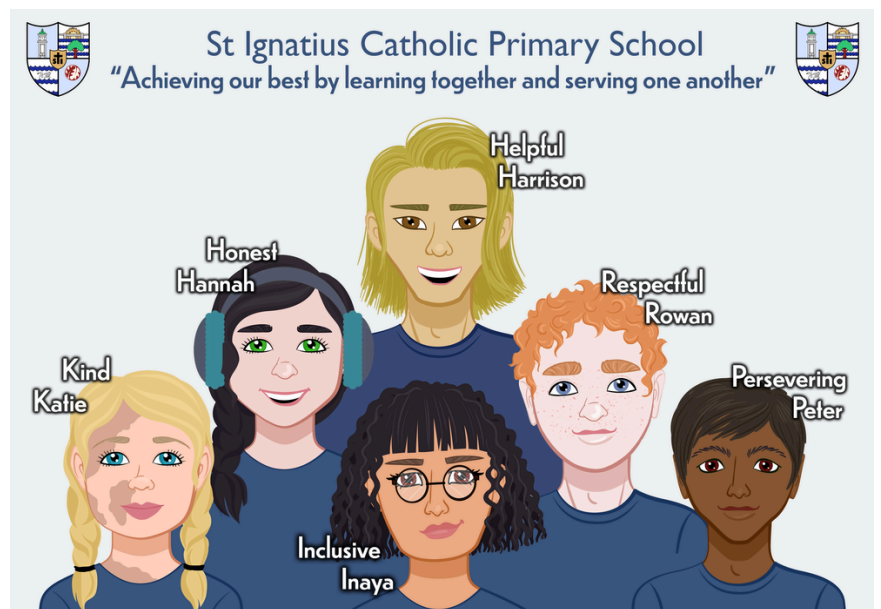
- 5W - Veronika K
- 5B - Hugo B

Year 6:

- 6N - James T
- 6S - Dominic P

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:

- o **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**.

If your child has been chosen for the team you will have received a letter via email



Year 3 and 4 Hockey Tournament

Well done to the children who took part in the hockey match against **Buckland Primary School** yesterday. We had 2 teams of children playing and they all got to play 3 matches. There were some wins, some losses and some draws but we decided that overall it was a draw. This was the 1st time that the children had played competitive hockey, and we were very impressed with how well they played and how they all got stuck in and gave it their best.

A particular well done to **Charlie C** (4AP) who was very impressive in defense. Thank you to Miss Gleave who has given up a lot of her time to train the team. Hopefully we will have another game soon.



Swimming Gala

The swimming gala for Years 4, 5 and 6 will take place on **Wednesday 20th May**. If your child was selected, you will receive a letter via email next week.



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

What Parents and Educators Need to Know about Image-Altering Filters

Image-altering filters are now embedded in everyday online interactions, from playful effects to more subtle appearance-enhancing tools. This guide examines how these features can influence perceptions of beauty and reality, particularly for children and young people navigating social media. It highlights how filtered content can quietly shape expectations and online behaviours.

Focusing on risks such as low self-esteem, social pressure and hidden advertising, the guide also addresses more serious concerns like sexualised edits and blurred boundaries between real and altered images. It provides supportive, practical advice to help parents and educators build media literacy, encourage confidence and promote healthier relationships with online content.

Miss Partington - Year 4 Class Teacher

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IMAGE-ALTERING FILTERS

From playful puppy ears on Snapchat to 'beauty mode' on TikTok, image-altering filters are now a routine part of how young people communicate online. While many are harmless, others subtly reshape people's faces and bodies. This can blur the line between reality and edited content, potentially influencing how children and young people see themselves and others.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- ALTERED BEAUTY STANDARDS**

Many 'beauty' filters smooth skin, reshape facial features, or adjust body proportions. Over time, repeated exposure to these filters can shift a child's idea of what is 'normal' or attractive, creating unrealistic expectations about their own and others' appearances.
- PRESSURE TO LOOK PERFECT**

Filtered images can often attract more 'likes' and positive comments. This can encourage children and young people to rely on editing tools to gain others' approval, rather than feeling confident in their natural appearance.
- LOW SELF-ESTEEM**

Regularly viewing heavily filtered content can lead to comparisons with unrealistic images. This is linked to body dissatisfaction and reduced self-esteem, particularly among children and teenagers.
- HIDDEN ADVERTISING**

Some filters are linked to beauty products or trends, subtly promoting third-party brands. Children and young people may not recognise this as advertising, while also sharing personal data – such as facial images and usage habits – with apps and third parties.
- BLURRED REALITY**

As filters become more advanced and natural-looking, it can be difficult for children and young people to distinguish edited content from real life, especially when filters are used in everyday photos and videos.
- SEXUALISED EDITS**

Certain tools can make users appear older or more sexualised. This may attract unwanted attention, increase the risk of images being shared without consent, and expose young people to unsafe interactions.

Advice for Parents & Educators

- START OPEN CONVERSATIONS**

Talk regularly about filters, such as how they work and why people use them. Ask the children and young people in your care how filtered images make them feel and encourage honest discussion without judgement.
- CHALLENGE 'PERFECT' POSTS**

When viewing content together, gently point out the signs of editing, filters, or posing techniques. This builds critical thinking and helps children and young people question unrealistic images.
- REINFORCE WHAT'S REAL**

Help children and young people understand that filtered images are digitally altered and are not an accurate reflection of real life. Emphasise that they don't need to meet these artificial standards.
- PROMOTE OFFLINE CONFIDENCE**

Encourage activities that build self-worth beyond appearance, such as sports, hobbies, friendships, and creative interests, so that confidence isn't tied solely to online validation.

Meet Our Expert

Parveen Kaur is a digital parenting expert and founder of Kids N Clicks, a platform dedicated to helping parents navigate the online world alongside their children. She is an expert contributor for Internet Matters, offering practical guidance on emerging online safety issues. Her insights have been featured by the BBC, The Telegraph, TalkTV, and other major media outlets, supporting families across the UK.

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Let's Celebrate



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

- Congratulations to **Theodore G-M** and **Roman B** (both Hedgehogs) who were awarded with the Player of the Match medals at their Saturday morning football training
- Congratulations to **Joshua B** (10S) and **Theodore B** (5W) who have both been awarded Certificates of Advanced Student Honour Roll. Joshua for being one year ahead on the KIS (Kumon International standard) in Maths and Theodore for being 2 years ahead in KIS Maths and 1 year ahead in KIS English.



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](#).

MENU WEEK 3
SERVED W/C: 23rd Feb, 16th Mar, 27th Apr, 18th May, 8th June, 29th June
Cucina IFG

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Main Meal OPTION 1 OPTION 2 </div>	Pea-powered mild chilli with rice	Vegetable sausages & mashed potatoes with gravy	Roast Quorn fillet with roast potatoes & gravy	Baked creamy mac 'n' cheese	Quorn dippers, chips & tomato ketchup
	Mild beef & lentil chilli con carne with rice	Pork sausages (beef casing) with mashed potatoes & gravy	Roast chicken breast, roast potatoes & gravy	BBQ chicken loaded mac 'n' cheese	Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Veggies </div>	Sweetcorn	Peas & carrots	Broccoli & carrots	Selection from the salad bar	Baked Beans
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Pasta </div>	Penne pasta with a creamy cheese sauce	Penne pasta with house tomato sauce	Penne pasta with a creamy cheese sauce	Penne pasta with house tomato sauce	Creamy pesto penne pasta
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Filled Rolls </div>	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese Tuna mayo	Cheese Tuna mayo
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Sweet Treats </div>	Chocolate shortbread	Apple & summer berry crumble with custard	strawberry yogurt & strawberry sauce	Raspberry jelly & mandarins	Chocolate fruit crispie cake

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

KEY Wholegrain Vegetarian

Nutritionist's Choice Vegan

Key Term Dates

Date	Event
Thursday 30 th April	Years 3 & 4 Girls & Boys Football Tournament
Thursday 30 th April	Year 5 Fire Safety Workshop
Friday 1 st May	May Procession
Friday 1 st May	Year 2 Mass
Friday 1 st May	Year 4 Swimming
Monday 4 th May	May Day (Bank Holiday)
Tuesday 5 th May	Year 2 Fire Safety Workshop
Tuesday 5 th May	Year 3 River Trip - The Thames
Thursday 7 th May	Year 5 Science Workshops
Friday 8 th May	Year 1 Mass
Friday 8 th May	Year 3 Egyptian Workshop
Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 14 th May	Year 6 Cedars Park Trip
Friday 15 th May	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 20 th May	Years 4-6 Swimming Gala
Thursday 21 st May	PTA School Disco
Thursday 21 st May	Year 4 Parent Assembly
Friday 22 nd May	Year 1 Parent Assembly
Friday 22 nd May	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 22 nd May	End of Half Term

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FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YEARS 1 - 7

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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

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 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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