



ST IGNATIUS NEWSLETTER

17.10.2025



'Achieving our best by learning together and serving one another with Christ by our side'



Year 6 PGL Trip

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week, the value focus was **inclusivity**. We encourage the children to be open and inclusive of others regardless of differences and that differences should be celebrated. Many children will see the news across the country where inclusivity is not truly being lived.

Year 6 PGL

I have been receiving daily updates from the Year 6 school trip and I can report that the children have behaved very well.

I will warn you now parents that they will be tired, and possibly very grumpy this weekend once the tiredness has died down. I hope that they look back on this time with fond memories for many years to come.

A huge thank you to the staff who offer to attend this trip. I can honestly say I feel too old to do this trip now as you are on call 24 hours a day.

Thank you staff!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Year 6 Learn to Ride Course (AM)
Parents Evening @ 3.30pm

TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Year 6 Learn to Ride Course (AM)
Parents Evening @ 3.30pm

WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Parents Evening for 2BP & 3BF @ 11am-5pm
PTA AGM via Zoom @ 7pm

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER

INSET Day

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Half Term

PTA Sheds

This week was another reminder of what an excellent community we have at Saint Ignatius. Our wonderful PTA team organised for a new concrete pad to be laid for their new sheds. **Mr Beausang**, a Reception parent, and his team of workers from Byrne Bros have very kindly supplied and laid foundations by the early years gate for us, which will enable us to install some new sheds.



These sheds will be used by the PTA and will replace the one currently located in the school playground, which has seen better days. They will be used to store second-hand school uniform and many other resources for the PTA team. A huge thank you everyone involved.

Reception Fundraiser

Another team that have been doing equally well within our school community this week are the Reception parents, who have been selling and swapping books, and continuing to sell cakes and treats to fundraise for the Reception children. There really felt like a real buzz in the mornings and after school. A huge thank you to everyone who made this possible.

If you are interested in fundraising or have an idea you would like to share, please speak to directly with our PTA team. You can email them at pta@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk.

Finally, the Class Dojo communication system has been a real success and I hope that you have felt you have heard a lot more about what is going on in the classrooms and learning for your child. Thank you for supporting this. This line of communication is for you to contact the class teacher however communications to myself should still be directed either through the School Office or through my email (head@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk). Communications about your child should in the first instance be directed to the class teacher, the second instance, the key stage leads and then myself. Thank you for noting this.

Parents Evening

As we approach the final week of half term and it has been a long one! I am so very proud of what we have at Saint Ignatius and without the people it would just be a building. Next week you will have the opportunity to have a brief chat with the class teacher to discuss how your child has settled into school so far. It will be an opportunity to identify any key areas that we will be focusing on with your child. This parents evening is not focused on looking at books. There will be an opportunity for this later in the year.

The Gospel last Sunday was about a time when people forgot to say thank you. Human nature is such that when someone does acknowledge what we have done and say thank you it means a great deal. We openly thank children at school daily as this is very important. Please feel free to reach out any time to the class teacher with a simple thank you. I can honestly say staff here make me privately proud every day.

Ms Murphy - Headteacher

Live Phonic Sessions

After half term, the Reception classes and Year 1 will be opening their doors one morning for you to witness how phonics is delivered to your child. We hope that this will give you insight into the delivery of such an important skill and also I think you will be blown away by the level the children are able to work out at such a young age.

I hope that it's also an opportunity for techniques to be modelled to yourselves to support our Home and School partnership. Dates will be sent out very soon.

Ms Murphy - Headteacher

Trips/Workshops Reminders

Please be reminded of payments due for the following trips and workshops. All payments can be made via [SCOPAY](#).

- **Year 5 - Science Museum Trip**
 - Payment due by Friday 31st October. The trip will take place on Friday 14th November for Year 5
- **Year 1 - Toys of the Past Workshop**
 - Payment due by Thursday 20th November. The workshop will take place in school on Thursday 27th November for Year 1

School Office

KS2 Grandparents' Afternoon

A huge thank you to all grandparents that visited us last Friday for an afternoon of celebrations. We do hope they enjoyed it. Thanks also to **Mr Davies**, our Co-Chair Governor, for baking us a very delicious 'St Ignatius' cake for the event.

Event Feedback

Any feedback from grandparents that attended the event would be gratefully received. Comments can be added via the Google form [here](#).

Donations for fund

A few grandparents mentioned they would like to donate to our Prayer and Wellbeing Garden fund but didn't have cash on them. If you have a grandparent that would still like to donate please be advised that we have set up a Prayer and Wellbeing Garden Fund via [SCOPAY](#).

Ms Murphy - Headteacher



Hello Yellow Day

Thank you to everyone that supported our **Hello Yellow Day** last Friday. Together we raised **£263** for YoungMinds charity.

YoungMinds are a mental health charity for children, young people and their parents. More information regarding this charity can be found [here](#).

Mrs Barkworth - SENDCo

School Improvement Fund

Through becoming part of the **Ascension Catholic Academy Trust** in December 2022, St. Ignatius currently has access to something called the **'Schools Condition Allocation'** received by the Trust. This year, the Trust also been successful in obtaining grants for capital projects across the Trust's schools totalling over £1 million. This is positive but it will only go part of the way to provide a learning environment for our children that they deserve. To maintain the high standard of education that we provide across all our schools, we need your support more than ever before.

Your previous contributions to our Governors' Funds have raised significant amounts for our school and have helped us deliver projects such as the inspiring wall art that visitors and pupils to St. Ignatius may have seen. This year we will be delivering the following capital projects, supported by the contributions you have made to date and continue to make to projects at our school.

Our suggested contribution is £90 annually, per pupil, however any contribution counts and we are incredibly grateful for anything you feel able to offer. Equally, we fully recognise that there will be families that will understandably be facing other cost pressures, so please do not feel any pressure or expectation to donate.

If you feel able to donate, you can make any payments through your existing SCOPAY account. Just go to **'View Products'** and then scroll down to **'Optional Trips and Events'** and then choose **'School Improvement Fund'** from the list.

Alternatively, you can make a payment via a bank transfer (details below) or through the attached standing order form (please return to the School Office).

Account: Westminster RC Diocese Trustee - St Ignatius Sunbury SBF

Account no: 00277372

Sort code: 16-01-09

On behalf of all Governors, I thank you for supporting the children of St. Ignatius.

Mrs Hall - School Office

After School Clubs

Please be advised that all after school clubs will continue as normal whilst Parents Evening is taking place next week.

Miss McCormack - School Office

PE Reminders

Year 5 & 6 Boys B Team Football

The boys B team tournament took place on Thursday 16th October. I will share the results of this after half term.

Year 5 & 6 Boys and Girls Hockey Trials

If your child enjoys hockey and would like to try out for the team, please meet Miss Grady and Miss Gleave at 12.15 pm on the court on **Monday 20th October**. Please ensure your child has their trainers with them. We will select a team on Monday and the children will then have training sessions with Miss Gleave or Mr Ivins before the tournament.

The hockey tournament will take place on Monday 20th November at Ashford Hockey Club.

Year 5 & 6 Boys and Girls Tag Rugby Trials

I will hold trials for the tag rugby team on **Wednesday 22nd October**. If your child enjoys sports and would like to take part in the trials, please meet Mr Ivins at the Gaflak gate at 12.15 pm. Please ensure your child has their trainers in school with them.

The rugby tournament is scheduled to take place on Thursday 6th November but this is yet to be confirmed.

Miss Grady - PE Lead

OPAL Play Certificates

The following children have been awarded an OPAL play this week.

Golden Broom Award

- KS1 - Reagan-Jr T
- KS2 - Theo W

Golden Welly Award

- KS1 - Mia T
- KS2 - Connor F

Miss Frew - Assistant Headteacher



Headteacher Awards

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

Reception:

Badgers - Anastasia B
Hedgehogs - Harper H

Year 3:

3V - Sophie R
3BF - Rafael K

Year 5:

5W - Sophia W
5B - James D

Year 1:

1G - Leonora L-M
1OS - Frankie F

Year 4:

4AP - Cruz P
4P - Barbara P

Year 6:

- There are no awards for Year 6 this week due to PGL

Year 2:

2C - Amelia F
2BP - Andrea S

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

Ms Murphy - Headteacher



St Ignatius Catholic Primary School
"Achieving our best by learning together and serving one another"



Helpful
Harrison

Honest
Hannah

Respectful
Rowan

Kind
Katie

Persevering
Peter

Inclusive
Inaya



Let's Celebrate

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

- Congratulations to **Sasha P** (Y1) for taking part in a charity 5km run to raise money for the childrens' cancer centre at Great Ormond Street in which she raised £270
- Congratulations to **Mabel H** (Y2) for recently taking part in her annual ballet show. Her partner wasn't well so at short notice she had to dance solo. We are so proud of her confidence, determination and love for performing
- Congratulations to **Leo N** (Y1) for successfully completing his red belt karate grading and is now an orange belt. We are very proud of him!



If you would like your child's achievement to feature in the newsletter, please email the details along with a photograph to newsletter@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk.

Mrs Tunnicliffe - School Office

Wake Up Wednesdays

Memes are everywhere - quick, witty, and wildly shareable. For many young people they are more than jokes, they're a way to connect, express themselves and interpret the world. But behind the humour, there can be risks. This guide helps adults understand how memes work and why they matter to young people today.

From misinformation to insensitive jokes and permanent digital footprints, this guide highlights the potential pitfalls of meme culture. With practical tips on digital literacy, empathy and open conversations, it empowers parents and educators to help children navigate online humour in a thoughtful, safe, and respectful way.

Miss Partington - Year 4 Class Teacher

An infographic titled "What Parents & Educators Need to Know about MEMES". It features a central cartoon character of a boy with a red cap and a dog. The infographic is divided into several sections: "WHAT ARE THE RISKS?" (introduction), "SPREADING MISINFORMATION", "EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT", "MASKED MESSAGES", "HIDDEN HARMS & LOSING SENSITIVITY", "PERMANENT DIGITAL FOOTPRINT", "ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATIONS", "TEACH DIGITAL LITERACY", "MODEL HEALTHY BOUNDARIES", and "FOSTER EMPATHY ONLINE". At the bottom, it says "Advice for Parents & Educators" and "Meet Our Expert" with a photo of Dr. Cristina Moreno-Jiménez. Social media handles for @wake_up_weds, /www.thenationalcollege, @wake.up.wednesday, and @wake.up.weds are listed at the bottom.

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: 20 th Oct 10 th Nov 1 st Dec 22 nd Dec 12 th Jan 2 nd Feb 23 rd Feb 16 th Mar 6 th Apr					<i>Cucina IFG</i>
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
MAIN MEAL 	OPTION 1 Mixed Vegetable & Bean Fajita & Oven Baked Wedges	Vegetarian Chilli Nacho Bake & Rice	Vegan Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Baked Creamy Mac 'N' Cheese	Vegan Sausage Roll & Chips		
	OPTION 2 Chicken & Spinach Pasta Bake	Mild Beef Chilli & Rice	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Creamy Chicken Curry & Carrot Rice	MSC Approved Fish Fingers & Chips		
VEGGIES 	Peas & Carrots	Sweetcorn	Broccoli & Peas	Carrot & Mixed Salad	Beans		
PASTA 	Cheese Sauce	House Tomato Sauce	Cheese Sauce	House Tomato Sauce	Creamy Pesto		
FILLED ROLLS 	Ham Cheese	Chicken Egg	Ham Cheese	Tuna Mayo Cheese	Egg Cheese		
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Our crunchy colourful salad & jacket potatoes with cheese, beans, tuna mayo or cheese and beans							
SWEET TREATS 	Strawberry Yoghurt & Strawberry Sauce	Mixed Berry & Apple Crumble with Custard	Orange Jelly & Mandarins	Gingerbread Squares with Custard	Garden Brownie		
Desserts available every day - a choice of jelly, fruit or yoghurt							
KEY Nutritionist's Choice Vegetarian Vegan Added Wholewheat							

KEY TERM DATES

- Monday 20th October - Year 6 Bikeability
- Tuesday 21st October - Year 6 Bikeability
- Monday 20th October - Parents Evening @ 3.30pm
- Tuesday 21st October - Parents Evening @ 3.30pm
- Wednesday 22nd October - American Themed Lunch Day
- Wednesday 22nd October - Parents Evening (2BP and 3BF only) @ 11am - 5pm
- Wednesday 22nd October - PTA AGM Meeting (online) @ 7pm
- Thursday 23rd October - INSET Day
- Friday 24th October - Half Term

EXTERNAL NOTICES

Please be advised that whilst we share external advertisements, St Ignatius does not personally endorse/recommend any of these companies.



The poster features a purple background with a large yellow moon, bats, and a jack-o'-lantern. At the top center is the logo for 'PRIMARY SPORTING DEVELOPMENT' (PSD). The main title 'FUNWEEKS' is in large, colorful, stylized letters. Below it, 'OCTOBER HALF TERM' and 'ACTIVE CAMP' are written in bold white text on a yellow brushstroke background. Three circular images show children participating in archery, roller skating, and tennis. A yellow arrow-shaped box on the left contains the text 'BE QUICK! EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT ENDS ON 22/10/25'. The bottom left lists the location, dates, age group, and discounts. The bottom right lists activities and pricing. A QR code is provided for booking.

PSD
PRIMARY
SPORTING DEVELOPMENT

FUNWEEKS

OCTOBER HALF TERM

ACTIVE CAMP

BE QUICK!
EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT
ENDS ON 22/10/25

ST IGNATIUS PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER - WEDNESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1 - 7

10% SIBLING DISCOUNT

9AM - 3PM

SPORTS 

ARTS & CRAFTS

PRIZES

HALLOWEEN DISCO

EARLY BIRD PRICING:

BOOK BEFORE MIDDAY ON 22ND OCT	BOOK AFTER MIDDAY ON 22ND OCT
£25.00	£26.50

INFO@THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK

0203 397 7409

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SCAN TO BOOK

BOOK ONLINE:
WWW.THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK/PSD-FUNWEEKS



**Pavilion Day Nursery invites
you to their**

OPEN MORNING
Friday 24th October 2025

9:15am-11:15am

**Please call 01932780005 or email
Sarah**

**stuman@paviliondaynursery.co.uk to
book in a show round.**

**The Ridings
Sunbury-On-Thames
TW16 6NU**



KEMPTON PARK FIREWORKS

SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER

GATES OPEN 5PM
KEMPTON PARK RACECOURSE

ADVANCED TICKETS

£10

WHAT TO EXPECT:

SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS | GIANT FUNFAIR
DELICIOUS FOOD & DRINKS | DJ



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Kempton Park
RACECOURSE

 **THE JOCKEY CLUB**



Cygnets in Surrey

Where is it being delivered?

6 week in person course being delivered at Springfield Primary School, Nursery Road, Sunbury on Thames, TW16 6LY from 9.45am to 12.45pm starting October 22nd 2025.

Who can attend?

Parents, carers or other family members who have responsibility for your child. Your child must be of school age and live in Surrey. They may show traits of autism, be waiting for or have a diagnosis of autism.

What does Cygnets involve?

The programme is delivered over six 2 ½ - 3 hour sessions which include:

- Introductory session
- Overview of autism with parent and carer experience
- Thinking & sensory
- Social interaction & communication
- Understanding & supporting behaviour
- Analysing behaviour

Who will deliver the course?

Surrey's Cygnets offer is coordinated through the Autism Outreach team but our team of trainers are made up from professionals working across Surrey in education, health and charity organisations.

Can I ask some questions?

Email us at parenttraining@freemantles.surrey.sch.uk

How do I join a course?

Please register by scanning the QR code or by using the link <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/79736>



Course Name: Group 21 Springfield

There is a £10.00 booking fee. If you are not in a financial position to pay for this please contact Parent Training, as above, to discuss further.

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:

Mrs 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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