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Years 4-6 Swimming Gala

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have reached the end of another half term and what a success it has been. National assessments have taken place, competitions both sporting and creative have been participated in and lots of school trips and outside visitors.

All of this combined makes me really proud of the provision for pupils. It is important that we have an aspirational and broad experience for every child. This wouldn't be possible without the fantastic staff at our wonderful school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them personally for the love, care and high standards that they expect for our children.

Yesterday, during lunchtime, I joined the children in the playground and took part in the Superman song dance. I choose to spend time with the children particularly at these periods of time both to see them in joyful situations but also to remind myself of the privilege it is to serve the children.

I can't quite believe that we are nearly at the end of the academic year and yet there is still so much for us to achieve! We will have several events coming up which would be wonderful to see a lot of families attending. We will have the second year of our celebration of the arts evening, the Year 6 production, the end of year liturgy with Father Christian and transition for all pupils in preparation for their new class teacher.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY 1ST JUNE

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TUESDAY 2ND JUNE

Year 3 trip to Roald Dahl Museum

WEDNESDAY 3RD JUNE

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THURSDAY 4TH JUNE

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FRIDAY 5TH JUNE

Year 2 trip to Bracknell Look Out
Year 4 Swimming
Year 6 Mass

We ended the week with a lovely assembly from the Year 4 children who told us about how to live our lives by living as God would. They did a beautiful version of the song Hail Mary using sign language which was very moving.

Thank you to all the parents who have helped in so many different aspects of school life over the past half term, for example with the Reading Café, the Library, support with lifts to tournaments and outings and support for the disco last night. These events couldn't take place without the support of parents, but it is also a great opportunity for your child to see you working with us as a school.

I wish you all a lovely half term break. I am going to Yorkshire to see my family for a few days.

God bless,

Ms Murphy - Headteacher

Attendance

This week's **highest attendance** was **4P** (99.3%) and **10S** (97.7%). Our school target is 98%.

The whole school attendance percentage this week was **94.2%**.

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 - Roald Dahl Museum**
 - Date: 2nd June 2026
 - **Overdue Payment Date: 15th May 2026**
- **Year 2 - Bracknell Lookout Trip**
 - Date: 5th June 2026
 - **Overdue 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

SCOPAY Termination

Please be advised that we no longer use SCOPAY for our Trips, Clubs and Wraparound Care. For any future bookings and payments please use the MCAS app.

Note: We will keep SCOPAY online for half term and for a week after we return to school in June. Please use this time to screengrab your current payment history as after this time you will no longer be able to access SCOPAY.

For instructions on how to book Clubs, Trips and Wraparound Care, please click on the link here: [Parents Guide on how to book and pay for Clubs and trips](#)

School Office Team

Swimming Gala

Children from Year 4, 5 & 6 took part in the Spelthorne Swimming Gala on Wednesday 20th May. The children were very supportive of one another, cheering for the whole of the competition.

Some children won their individual races and the Year 6 boys won the relay. Overall St Ignatius came 3rd and Year 5 won their year group division.

Well done to all the children who took part!

Miss Grady - Year 1 Class Teacher and PE Lead



Rosary

A huge thank you to all of the children that have attended our Rosary sessions this month.

Mrs Vander Vloet - Year 3 Class Teacher



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:

- Hedgehogs - Florence L
- Badgers - Tadhg A

Year 3:

- 3V - Olivia K
- 3BF - Cameron A

Year 5:

- 5W - Kensi W
- 5B - Eva O

Year 1:

- 1OS - Harry A S
- 1G - Caleb H

Year 4:

- 4P - Frederico M
- 4AP - Jaydon S

Year 6:

- 6N - Artem F
- 6S - Lila M

Year 2:

- 2C - Claudia B S
- 2BP - Baxter W

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

Ms Murphy - Headteacher

Half Termly Awards

This half term, our value focus was Persevering Peter. One child from each class was presented with a **Persevering Peter Award** in recognition for outstanding perseverance and demonstrating consistent and admirable effort throughout this half term.

The following children were celebrated in today's assembly:

Reception:

- Hedgehogs - Joseph K
- Badgers - Rudi P

Year 3:

- 3V - Navea P
- 3BF - Rafael K

Year 5:

- 5W - Gia-Laxmi Y
- 5B - Ellis A

Year 1:

- 1OS - Frankie F
- 1G - Ada B

Year 4:

- 4P - Bonnie C
- 4AP - Grace K

Year 6:

- 6N - Ingrid N A K-Y A
- 6S - Dominic P

Year 2:

- 2C - Wynter C-W
- 2BP - Talia F

We are so proud of each and every one of you for trying so hard to live our school values!

Mrs O'Neill - Deputy Headteacher

PE Notices

Years 5 & 6 Boys A Team Football

On Monday the boys played their last league game of the season against Town Farm. In another very close game, the boys displayed their great skills and determination to win 3-2. The winning goal was a fantastic strike by **Christopher M** (5W) and all of the boys agreed that it was the goal of the season! Well done boys for your unbeaten season.

Years 5 & 6 Girls Football

The following fixtures have been arranged:

- **Tuesday 2nd June** vs Echelford - this has been postponed - I will share the new date once it have it confirmed



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Years 5 & 6 Girls Netball League

The following fixtures have been arranged:

- **Friday 22nd May** vs Hawkdale (home game). I will share the result after half term.
- **Friday 5th June** vs Laleham (home game). Letter sent via email.
- **Friday 9th June** vs Riverbridge (away game). Letter sent via email.

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District Sports

District Sports (Athletics) will take place on **Thursday 2nd July**. I will hold the trials as follows:

- Wednesday 3rd June - sprinting and relay events for Years 3-6
- Thursday 4th June - 600m for Years 5 & 6 only
- Friday 5th June - Long Jump and vortex throw for Years 3-6

I will speak to the children about this in assembly on Monday but if your child enjoys athletics please encourage them to come and try out. All trials will take place at 12pm (start of lunch) on the Gaflak. Please make sure your child has their trainers with them on any days they want to take part in a trial.

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Advance Notices:

- Years 5 & 6 Girls and Boys ACAT Football Tournaments will take place at St Paul's on **Monday 8th June**. I will send a letter after 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

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
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> Main Meal </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> OPTION 1 Pea-powered mild chilli with rice </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> OPTION 2 Mild beef & lentil chilli con carne with rice </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> Vegetable sausages & mashed potatoes with gravy </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> OPTION 1 Roast Quorn fillet with roast potatoes & gravy </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> Roast chicken breast, roast potatoes & gravy </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> OPTION 2 Baked creamy mac 'n' cheese </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> BBQ chicken loaded mac 'n' cheese </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> OPTION 1 Quorn dippers, chips & tomato ketchup </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup </div> </div>
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Available Every Day - Crunchy Colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise & Cheese & Beans

KEY

- Wholegrain
- Vegetarian
- Nutritionist's Choice
- Vegan

Wake Up Wednesdays

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about Minecraft

Minecraft remains hugely popular with young players, offering creative freedom and social interaction. This guide explores how features like public servers, in-game chat and multiplayer modes can introduce risks, including contact with strangers, exposure to inappropriate behaviour and privacy concerns linked to independent server hosting.

It also highlights issues such as griefing, in-game spending and potentially addictive gameplay loops. With clear, actionable advice, the guide helps parents and educators set boundaries, choose safer settings and support children in enjoying Minecraft responsibly while staying protected online.

Miss Partington - Year 4 Class Teacher & PSHE Lead

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about MINECRAFT

As the best-selling game in history, Minecraft has made a name for itself by empowering audiences of all ages to harness their creativity. Originally an indie hit, it's become a cultural phenomenon with merchandise, spin-off titles, and wider media adaptations. Even if you don't know your Creepers from your Endermen, this guide will explore the risks of Minecraft in 2026 and explain how to support a safe gaming experience for the children in your care.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

PUBLIC SERVER COMMUNICATION

Many players enjoy Minecraft with others, including friends and unknown players online. In-game text chat is commonly used to coordinate building projects and gameplay, and this can extend to adding friends to voice chat. While often harmless, this creates risks around contact with strangers, and in some cases server hosts may expose IP addresses (if hosting independently), which raises privacy and security concerns.

GRIEFING BEHAVIOUR

Some players deliberately damage or destroy other players' creations. This behaviour, known as 'griefing', is a form of bullying that can undo hours of effort and cause frustration or distress to affected players. Although many servers treat griefing as a serious offence, enforcement varies. Children who prefer to build independently may feel safer working on private worlds or controlled servers.

ADDICTIVE GAMEPLAY LOOPS

Minecraft's creative focus can make it easy for players to lose track of time. The cycle of gathering resources and building projects can be highly engaging, which may challenge agreed screen-time limits. If not managed effectively, this can impact children's sleep, schoolwork, and real-world social interaction.

SCARY GAME ELEMENTS

Although often compared to digital construction toys, some gameplay modes include hostile creatures with unsettling sounds and sudden encounters. While there is no graphic violence, younger players may still find zombies, spiders, or dark environments frightening. These experiences can lead to anxiety or reluctance to play, depending on the child's age and sensitivity.

IN-GAME SPENDING

Minecraft requires a one-off purchase after a free trial, usually around £15, but additional spending is possible. Players can buy cosmetic content or subscribe to Minecraft 'Realms' for private servers. Without supervision, children may make unintended purchases. Subscription services and add-ons can also increase overall costs over time if not monitored.

ONLINE INTERACTIONS

Playing with others can introduce broader online safety concerns, including exposure to inappropriate language or behaviour. Some players may attempt to move conversations beyond the game, which can increase risks to children's safety and welfare. Children may not always recognise these situations, meaning guidance and ongoing conversations about safe interactions are essential.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CHOOSE SUITABLE GAME MODES

Creative or Peaceful modes remove hostile creatures and reduce the pressure during gameplay. These options allow children to focus on building and exploration without fear of attack. They are also ideal for shared play between adults and children, creating a calmer environment to learn the game and enjoy collaborative projects.

USE PRIVATE SERVERS

Setting up a private server helps control who can join a child's game. Access can be limited to trusted friends through passwords or invitations. This reduces the likelihood of unwanted interactions and gives adults greater oversight. While some options involve a subscription fee, they offer a safer and more controlled multiplayer experience.

DISCUSS ONLINE STRANGERS

Children should understand that not everyone they meet online is who they claim to be. Clear guidance about not sharing personal information is essential. Encourage children to report any worrying or uncomfortable interactions and reassure them that they can seek help without fear of punishment. Open, ongoing conversations help build their confidence and awareness of these issues.

SET SPENDING BOUNDARIES

Agree on clear rules around purchases before letting children play, and use device settings or platform controls to restrict spending within agreed limits. Explaining that in-game currency uses real-world money can help children make informed decisions. Regularly reviewing purchases together can also prevent unexpected costs and encourage responsible behaviour.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes spent 7 years in games media, before moving into the games industry via PR and marketing. A parent himself to a Minecraft-loving son, he understands why it's so important to stay safe online.



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Let's Celebrate

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

- Congratulations to **Charlie H** (10S) for being promoted to yellow hat (level 3) swimming and passed his 5 metre swim test last weekend. He was very happy, and showed a lot of hard work and perseverance to progress his swimming skills
- Congratulations to **Tanveer B** and **Dominic P** (6S) for getting to the final of the local Spelthorne Tournament today, losing on golden goal - they came runners up!
- Congratulations to **Amelia L** (2BP) for completing Stage 3 in swimming and is moving on to Stage 4
- Congratulations to **Amelia W** (5W) for completing Stage 5 in swimming last week. She now moves onto Stage 6
- Congratulations to **Jarrell N** (6S) whose team won the Fleet Spurs Tournament on Wednesday and Jarrell scored the highest number of goals

Mrs Tunnicliffe - School Office



Key Term Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 2 nd June	Year 3 trip to Roald Dahl Museum
Friday 5 th June	Year 2 trip to Bracknell Look Out
Friday 5 th June	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 5 th June	Year 6 Mass
Monday 8 th June	Years 5 & 6 ACAT Football Tournament @ St Paul's
Tuesday 9 th June	EYFS New Parents Meeting @ 6pm
Wednesday 10 th June	Singing Schools Festival @ St Paul's @ 6pm
Friday 12 th June	PTA Father's Day Shop
Friday 12 th June	Year 4 Swimming
Monday 15 th June	Reception - Year 4 Skipping Workshop
Tuesday 16 th June	Year 6 Cafe (<i>Tuesday 16th - Friday 19th</i>)
Wednesday 17 th June	EYFS Seaside Workshop
Friday 19 th June	Year 4 Swimming
Tuesday 23 rd June	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day @ St Paul's
Wednesday 24 th June	Back-up Sports Day
Friday 26 th June	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 26 th June	Year 3 Parent Assembly @ 9am

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 **9AM - 3PM**

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- Prizes**
- Games**

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27th, 28th & 29th of May 2026



Girls & Boys Ages 6 - 14



All abilities welcome!



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Drop-Off from 09:30



£20.00 per day (3 days for £50.00)
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Bring water, a packed lunch, a gum shield and shin pads. Hockey Sticks can be provided.

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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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