

Our Lady & St Joseph Primary School

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Dear parents: Week started out with us welcoming parents to our Coffee Morning for Reception and Year I. Good turn out and yes there were some decent biscuits as well. Thanks to the PA who also showed up to share the work they are doing to support and help our school. Enjoyable morning and useful information for parents on new Early Years Framework and the teaching of reading and phonics. We have invested huge amounts of money via work I have done over many years on inspections, NAHT work and consulting and mentoring heads in other schools. Completely upgraded our Infant resources with range of brand new books. All books carefully matched to young children's knowledge of letters and sounds. We are recognised by the DfE as being in the top 2% in the country for our Phonics teaching of reading and outcomes over the years. Wednesday saw our first return to live class assemblies with parents and other children in attendance. We did not know what to expect but the turn out was terrific with every child represented. Year 6 were great and lovely atmosphere in the hall and in the playground after. Some good laughs too !! busy weekend ahead. Plus will be pretty much fully opening up as we were before very soon. So 'don't worry, be happy' as Year 6 sang to us on Wednesday.



Pics of the week: Ms Chiara Scarpini, Ms Sarah Woodhouse and Ms Emma Sharpe introduce our Coffee Morning on Monday, Year 6 parents in the playground and hall to see an assembly and look at their children's work in the playground. The new Year 6 singing and reading some lovely poems and writing about our Queen Elizabeth Peace and Prayer Garden...... the late and great Jimmy Greaves RIP at Wembley playing for England (read below) and Aussie Olympic gold medal swimmer Madi Wilson who is campaigning for everyone young and old to get vaccinated bless her!! She is currently recovering in hospital from Covid and says that having the vaccine has saved her life..... brave and inspiring young woman.













Appeals and helping people: The E5 charity appeal thanks everyone who gave toys, prams etc to Afghan refugee appeal and October 3rd is Harvest Sunday we start our Harvest Appeal ... see Ms Cahill's letter+ thanks from the PA for the De Beauvoir Trail and Summer Party and funds raised. Do please read.

and finally some weekend coming up The Times this week described the American Ryder Cup golf fans as the most obnoxious in sport so could be a fun few days in Wisconsin Millwall fans would probably challenge that .. their anthem is 'Nobody likes us, we don't care' Russian Grand Prix ... Man City v Chelsea and of course AJ vs Usyk. My next door neighbour used to spar with AJ when they were younger reckons the Ukrainian is too light had a long chat last week to a man who once fought Mike Tyson true story and great conversation and Jimmy Greaves RIP my mother's favourite player. First ever England game I was taken to was Wembley England v Hungary 1965 Jimmy scored the only goal ... a true legend in football ... oh and West Ham beat Man U this week ... don't worry be happy!!