

FAMILY MATTERS

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

*"In war there are
no unwounded
soldiers"*
Jose Narosky.



WHOLE SCHOOL MASS



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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

A month of remembrance

November is the month of remembrance in the Catholic Church. We always hold our whole school Mass in November and this week we did so on Thursday afternoon at the Assembly Rooms. As the school has grown (there are currently 1226 students on roll at Holy Family) we are, sadly, no longer able to fit all students and staff in the Assembly Rooms. All our Yr 7-11 students attend the Mass and our Yr 13s attend as it will be their last whole school Mass as well as some representatives of Yr 12. During the Mass we remember former staff and students who have died and also all our own family members and friends. It is always a very moving occasion and this year it is sad that our former headteacher, Mr Breen and former PE teacher Miss Simpson were added to the list.



St Elizabeth House Celebration

Saint Elizabeth was the mother of St John the Baptist and a relative of Mary. Although childless and of advancing years she became pregnant and in her sixth month visited Mary in the hill country of Judea. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice she exclaimed: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!" — Luke 1:41–45.

November may not be a month typically associated with ice cream, but that was the treat which members of St Elizabeth House enjoyed on their saint's day on Tuesday of this week. One Yr 11 student in the queue for the ice cream van told me that "free ice cream on House celebration days is the best idea the school has ever had" - high praise indeed!

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

The General Election

So, we are having a general election on Thursday 12th December 2019. It will be the third election in four years, which is unusual for the United Kingdom. These are, though, unusual times. Mr Shah and his colleagues in the History and Politics Department have prepared some fantastic resources to teach students about the election and we will be holding a mock election ourselves. Some of our Yr 13s will be old enough to vote and we are encouraging everyone eligible to ensure they are registered and that they use their vote. Despite its flaws and the problems we have experienced over Brexit, our democracy is important and precious.

Too many people live in countries where there is no right to vote, no rule of law and no opportunity to choose or remove political leaders. Winston Churchill described democracy as “the worst form of government except for all the other forms that have been tried” and that is an interesting way to think about it.

Sixth Form Open Evening

This takes place next Thursday 14th November at 6.30pm. We have a very successful and high-achieving sixth form and we take applications from our own Yr 11 students and also students from other schools at the end of Yr 11. If you know of any parents who would like their sons/daughters to join our sixth form please let them know about the Open Evening. Applicants do not need to be Catholic or Christian to join our Sixth Form and we welcome applications from everyone.

Parents' surgery

Please note that, because of preparations for Open Evening there will be no parents' surgery next Thursday 14th November.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

Dr Andy Stone

Headteacher



Headteacher **COMMENDATIONS**

This week we have commendations for the following students:

Marquez Lennon Burrell 8E for being an outstanding student receptionist on Monday of this week. Marquez was nominated by Mrs Lazarus and Mrs Thorogood.

Ms Schmidt nominates **Leah Webb and Leon Scott** in Yr 9 for their outstanding presentations in the Step up to English speaking exam.



Headteacher **COMMENDATIONS**

Ms Javaid nominates **Thomas in 7P** for the beautiful work in his art sketchbook.

Ms Del Prada nominates **Alexina Yevu** in Yr11 for outstanding effort with her speaking exam preparation and in Yr 9, **Victoria Szlachta and Liliana Gardzielewska** who are both producing outstanding work and have a fantastic attitude to learning, always going beyond to achieve their best.

Well done to all our students receiving commendations this week!

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Thursday 7th November 2019









Holy Family Catholic School & Sixth Form
ASPIRE TO THE HOLY FAMILY WAY

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2019

6.30PM

Did you know that you don't have to be Catholic to study at Holy Family 6th Form?

Students interested in applying to Holy Family Sixth Form for admission September 2020 are invited to attend our Open Evening to view our brand new facilities and explore the wide range of A Levels and Level 3 BTEC courses we offer.



We are an open access Sixth Form and welcome applications from all faiths and backgrounds. Please visit our website to view our prospectus, course guide and application form.

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SOCIAL MEDIA CATCHUP



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The Acting High Commissioner, Ms Janet Charles attended the flag raising for Dominica's 41st Anniversary of Independence at Waltham Forest town hall along with The Mayor Chris Robbins & 10 Holy Family School students participating in the Sports & Culture project 2020 @HFCSWaltham



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hfcswaltham Year 11 Art class prepping for their mock exams - so much talent in the room! 🎨 #aspire

21 October

Chaplaincy Corner



This week we celebrated the Feast Day of St Elizabeth House.

Thank you to our readers and offertory for their participation in the Mass celebrated at Our Lady & St George parish.

St Elizabeth is the mother of John the Baptist and cousin to Jesus' mother, Mary and shares her Feast Day with her husband, Zachariah.

St Elizabeth, you were a person who patiently waited – may we like you have faith to realise that God has a unique plan for each of us. With confidence help us in times of doubt and unbelief.

Amen



We will remember them

Holy Family Year of Sustainability – Live Simply Tip No.7
Make sure you take an empty bag with you when you go shopping so you don't have to accept a plastic carrier bag.

Pope Francis writes in his encyclical Laudato Si
#202 Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change.

Mrs Grierson, Chaplain



On the subject of sustainability.

**HAVE A LOOK AT THE FANTASTIC
PUMPKIN THAT WAS GROWN IN OUR
PEACE GARDEN BY MR AZIZ.
PUMPKINS COME IN ALL SHAPES,
SIZES AND COLOURS.**

**WE'RE VERY PROUD TO HAVE GROWN
OUR OWN!**



Young, Gifted and Black Awards

The Young, Gifted and Black Ceremony awards students of schools in Waltham Forest with excellent academic achievement at GCSE from the Black Caribbean, Black African and North African community.

In the lead up to the event we had many healthy discussions with our students about the event. On the one hand, some students felt it was a much needed celebration of a community that is often underrepresented and often negatively portrayed in academia. On the other hand, students feared the event would be tokenistic and unfairly celebrate achievement from only one section of society.

Having attended, the students reflected very positively about the award ceremony. Many were grinning from ear to ear upon receiving their rewards. They were treated with excellent entertainment – from street dance to R'n'B singers – as well as inspirational speeches.

The event was really positive and one that the students deserved.

A special shout out to **Hilme** and **Chuk** who were given an extra award for being among the highest achievers in Waltham Forest.

YGAB STUDENTS



**Hodan Ali
Vanessa Fordjour
Ann-Marie Ibiabuo
Pauline Ssemugumbe
Hilme Yosef
Princess Lewis
Sade Cowan
Kylie Coffie
Rebekah Da Silva
Stefan Elias
Charles Kibuuka
Djamila Conceicao**

**Adeyosola Akinyemi
Gladys Mbenga
Anthony Kusi Mittoo
Joshua Masila
Annael Nzuzi-Temo
Reese Campbell
Pearce John-Baptiste
Jessica Okyere Agyei
Andrew Kyere
Chuk Madukwe
Anthony Ezech
Brianna Noveal**



YEAR 8 SUPERSTARS



Danielle
Fennel 8A



Wiktorija
Matejek 8EL



Katrine
Otomewo 8EL



Samuel Huet
8EL



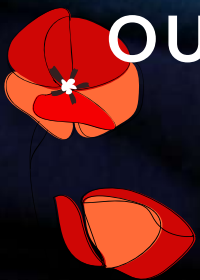
Jericho Gonzales
Sabarias 8EL

**For being an exceptional student and contributing
to the Holy Family Way**

FIRST MEETING OF FASHION & TEXTILES CLUB



AFTER THEIR AMAZING APPLICATIONS
THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES CREATED
THEIR OWN POPPIES JUST IN TIME FOR
OUR WHOLE SCHOOL REMEMBRANCE
MASS ON THURSDAY





YEARS 7 & 8
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY
CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

DESIGN AND MAKE A 3D SANTA

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th place

REQUIREMENTS:

- **CAN BE ANY SIZE**
- **MUST BE 3D**
- **USE ANY MATERIALS:**
RETHINK, REUSE, REDUCE, RECYCLE
- **BE CREATIVE! BE IMAGINATIVE!**

Submit to any member of staff in
the D&T department

Make sure your name & form are on it!

Submission by
Friday 29th november 2019

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

**CHANGE
STARTS
WITH**



#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

FROM **MONDAY 11TH** - **FRIDAY 15TH**
NOVEMBER 2019



We're holding
ODD SOCKS DAY
for Anti-Bullying Week
again this year

WOOHOO... TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER IS ODD SOCKS DAY!

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day forms part of Anti-Bullying Week. It is a chance to celebrate that we are all unique. All we ask is that you wear odd socks on Tuesday 12th November. Millions of children and adults will be taking part across the country.

We are delighted that Andy & the Odd Socks (CBBC / CBeebies) are with us again this year. Have a listen to the song they have written especially for Anti-Bullying Week!



"We can't wait to see everyone rocking their odd socks for **Odd Socks Day!**"



WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message to people that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.

WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?

It's so easy ☺
Here's what you do:



- 1. Wear odd socks** to school, work or wherever you are going on the Tuesday 12th November
- 2. Donate £1** to help the Anti-Bullying Alliance carry on important work
- 3. If you want to, you can share a photo online using #oddsocks #antibullyingweek'**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Every penny goes to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help continue all their work. We can't wait to see all the Odd Socks on Tuesday 12 November...

SafeToNet is an online safety solution for families, and they are supporting Odd Socks Day this year. The app detects cyberbullying and harmful content on children's smartphones and notifies parents of potential risks.

**FREE
FOR
60
DAYS**

SafeToNet are offering access to their app FREE for 60 days. Use the promo code 'ABA2019'
www.safetonet.com/oddsocksday

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

ODD SOCKS DAY



**TUESDAY
12TH
NOVEMBER**

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Year 7 Update

How I've settled in



My name is Jemuel and I will be explaining my first few weeks at Holy Family.

On the first day, I felt excited to meet new people and make friends. 2 weeks in and I realise homework is a lot to handle but it feels nice to be in Holy Family.

At Holy family, there are many extracurricular activities. I go to Latin club, Football club and Basketball club. Your teachers will encourage you to go to a club and you can do as many clubs as you want.

There are a variety of different classes in Holy Family but for me, my favorite subject is Science. This is because I love talking about chemicals, space and different variables.

As you move in to secondary, you might think “I don’t need a book”, but you’re wrong. You will need some sort of book so that you can always practice your reading. The book that I have is called Once. It is about an orphan boy called Felix and how he wants to leave and see his mom and dad again.

I hope you picked up information from my experience so far and I hope you make a good start to secondary school.

By Jemuel Omango 7A

TIPS

A YEAR IN TO HOLY FAMILY,
YEAR 8 PROVIDE SOME TIPS
AND ADVICE FOR THE NEW
YEAR 7S

THIS WEEK WE HEAR FROM
TIARA DAVIES 8RI



My advice to year 7 is:

- Stay out of trouble
- Always do your homework
- Stay on task
- Focus on yourself
- Be the best that you can be
- Treat people how you want to be treated
- Help others

MFL

Seneca Champions!

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Questions Answered

Damien C & Wiktor R

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Questions Answered

Perry K & Cino J

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Time Studied

Priscilla A & Anabel C

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Time Studied

Duncan R & Keenan C

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Sessions Completed

Eva P & Keon W

SENECA



Seneca
Champion

Most Sessions Completed

Aishah



PROJECT POLAND

Year 8 were lucky enough to take part in Project Poland before the half term break.

This ongoing project was started in 2018 to mark the centennial of Poland gaining it's indepedence in 1918 and will end in 2021.

Throughout the day students learnt a brief history of Poland, about it's people who have enriched our lives. community cohesion, migration, interview skills and much more.



Students were lucky enough to have our own Mrs. Pietrzyk and Miss Maslowska on hand to answer questions about the Polish experience

HCPT BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER
7PM

VENUE

OLSG JUNIOR
SCHOOL,
SHERNHALL
STREET,
WALTHAMSTOW
E17 3EA

ENTRANCE

ADULTS £3
CHILDREN £1

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS
AND NIBBLES
ALL THE FAMILY ARE
WELCOME!

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£6 FOR 3
£10 FOR 6

YEAR 11 ENGLISH MASTERCLASSES

○ **Thurs 7th Nov** - Approaching ○
○ Poetry (Power & Conflict and ○
○ Unseen) ○

Thurs 14th Nov - Sitting Literature
Exams

Thurs 21st Nov - Drop ins

Thurs 28th Nov - Drop ins

Thurs 5th Dec - Writing Workshop:
Language Paper 2

Thurs 12th Dec - Showing your
understanding of texts (AO1)

LECTURE THEATRE 3.20PM START



OST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL
ANNUAL

Firework Display

Saturday 9th November

4.30-6.30pm

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINER
(MR. SKITTLEMAN) PLUS LOTS OF OTHER
ACTIVITIES.

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR OR IN
ADVANCE VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR
EMAIL:
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AFRICAN CATHOLIC MISSION IN BRITAIN

Cordially invites you to

22ND PAN-AFRICAN ANNUAL MASS -2019 (MASS FOR AFRICAN COMMUNITIES)

THEME: "African Catholic Youth in the Church Today and Tomorrow"



**At St George's Catholic Church
132 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow, London, E17 9HU
On Sunday, 10 November, 2019, at 3pm prompt**

CHIEF CELEBRANT

RT. REVD. MSGR KEITH NEWTON

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OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM)**

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IN THE PARISH HALL, WALTHAMSTOW E17 9HU
ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

**CONTACT PERSONS: Deacon Joseph: 07786501371; Deacon Alfred: 07429124369;
Sarah Ndebele: 0790387 4230; Matthew Karemera: 0790490 7617; George Davis:
07903724168; Chris Neziyanya: 07464933181; Teresa Owusu-Bonsu: 07507619179**

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of the African Chaplaincies & Associations in Great Britain**

PAN-AFRICAN ANNUAL MASS:FACT SHEET : 1998-2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CELEBRANTS</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
12 Aug. 1998	*Visiting Priest	Battersea
12 Sept. 1999	*Rt. Rev Patrick O'Donoghue Bishop of Lancaster, and Chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Migrants in England and Wales	Walthamstow
24 Sept. 2000	*(1) Cardinal Laurent Monsengwo Pasinya President of the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa & Madagascar and Archbishop of Kisangani, Congo (2) Rt. Rev. Thomas McMahon, Bishop of Brentwood, England	Walthamstow
23 Sept. 2001	*Rt. Rev. James O'Brian Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, England	Walthamstow
22 Sept. 2002	*Rt. Rev. Thomas McMahon Bishop of Brentwood, England	Walthamstow
21 Sept. 2003	*Most Rev. Peter Kwasi Sarpong Archbishop of Kumasi, Ghana	Walthamstow
19 Sept. 2004	*Rt. Rev. Howard Trip Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Southwark, England	Walthamstow
18 Sept. 2005	*Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor Archbishop of Westminster, & President of CBCEW, England	Walthamstow
17. Sept. 2006	*Cardinal John O. Onaiyekan President of the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa & Madagascar and Archbishop of Abuja, Nigeria	Walthamstow
16. Sept. 2007	*Rt. Rev. Thomas McMahon, Bishop of Brentwood England	Walthamstow
21. Sept. 2008	*Rt. Rev Patrick Lynch (Archdiocese of Southwark) Chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Migrants in the UK	Walthamstow
20. Sept. 2009	*Rt. Rev. Kieran Conry, Bishop of Brighton & Arundel, and Episcopal President of CARJ	Walthamstow
26 Sept. 2010	*Most Rev. Peter Kwasi Sarpong Archbishop Emeritus of Kumasi, Ghana	Burnt Oak
18 Sept. 2011	*Rt. Rev. Paul Hendricks Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Southwark, England	Walthamstow
16 Sept. 2012	*Rt. Rev. Alan Hopes Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, England	Walthamstow
15 Sept. 2013	*Rt. Rev. Paul Hendricks Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Southwark, England	Southwark
21 Sept. 2014	*(1) Rt. Rev Patrick Lynch (Archdiocese of Southwark) Chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Migrants of Eng/Wales (2) Rt. Rev George Howard Tripp, Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark	Southwark
20 Sept 2015	*Rt. Rev Patrick Lynch of Southwark Chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Migrants in Eng/Wales	Southwark
18 Sept 2016	*Most Rev. Peter Smith, Archbishop of Southwark	Southwark
17 Sept 2017	*Rt. Rev. Alan Williams SM, Bishop of Brentwood , Rt. Rev Charles Kasonde (Zambia) & Rt. Rev Paul McAleenan	Walthamstow
28 Oct. 2018	*Rt. Rev. Paul McAleenan (Archdiocese of Westminster) Chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Migrants in Eng & Wales	Wanstead
10 Nov. 2019	*Rt. Revd. Msgr Keith Newton Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham	Walthamstow ✓

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GIRL'S CRICKET SESSIONS

**Wanstead Leisure
Centre, E11 2JZ**

Wednesdays
5:30pm to 6:30pm
Ages 10 to 18 years

Contact:
sabanasim@hotmail.com
07738 090948

**Leyton Urban Cricket
Hub, E10 6RJ**

Tuesday (from Nov 5th)
4pm to 5:15pm
Ages 10 to 15 years

Contact:
claire.smith@essexcricket.org.uk
07834 829086

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Fridays 6:00 - 7:00 (9 - 16 years old)

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