

# Newsletter

Summer Term: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026



The  
**ORATORY**  
**RC PRIMARY**  
School

We work together, we play together, we laugh together, we pray together.

## Dear Parents,

We have certainly missed our Year 6 class this week but have just greeted 30 very happy looking (and tired!) faces off the coach after a week full of adventure, fun and life-long memories! Huge thanks to Miss Cornes, Miss Oswald and Miss Smith for giving the children such a wonderful week. A special well done to our Year 5 children who stepped up as leaders of the school excellently, taking on the many prefect roles in an exemplary manner and are as a result our very worthy class of the week.

Please keep our Year 3 children in your prayers this weekend as they take their very special First Holy Communion tomorrow which they have been preparing for beautifully. We look forward to celebrating with them in school on Monday. Please also note the change of date for class photos which will take place this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Wishing you a lovely weekend!

With my very best wishes,  
Mrs Steinart

## Upcoming dates

### June

- 13 June** Y3 First Holy Communion 11am
- 15 June** Y3 FHC lunch & assembly 1pm
- 17 June** Whole Class Photographs
- 19 June** Y1 Class Assembly 9.15am
- 20 June** Oratory Summer Fete 12-5pm
- 22 June** Infant Sports Day 2pm (St Luke's Pitches)
- 26 June** Reception Class Assembly 9.15am
- 26 June** Y1 Cake Sale 3.30pm
- 29 June** MapQuest Fortnight begins
- 29 June** Coffee Morning & Uniform Sale 8.30am

### July

- 1 & 2 July** Parents' Evening
- 3 July** Summer Mufti Day
- 6 July** Whole School Mass at Brompton Oratory 10am
- 8 July** Summer Music Concerts –Infants: 2pm Juniors: 2.30pm
- 10 July** House of the Year Party
- 15 July** Y6 Play 6.30pm
- 16 July** Leavers' Mass for Y5 & Y6 2pm
- 17 July** End of Term 1.30pm

### September

- 1 & 2 Sept** Inset Days (school closed for pupils)
- 3 Sept** Children return

*Please note: these dates do not include school trips. Please check on classlist, and in your child's bag, for other letters and announcements*

## This week's theme: Our Talents

This week in assembly our theme has been celebrating our talents, ahead of our much-anticipated Talent Show in a few weeks! We listened to the Parable of the Talents this morning to help us realise how we can nurture and celebrate our unique and God-given talents. We used the quote 'Your talent is God's gift to you.

What you do with it is your gift back to God.' Our artist of the week, Vincent Van Gogh, is an excellent example of how we have to work hard & persevere with our talents, especially when faced with a challenge.

### Story of the Week

Parable of the Talents  
Matthew 25:14-30



### Music of the Week

Somewhere Over the Rainbow  
By Eva Cassidy



### Art of the Week

Sunflowers  
By Vincent Van Gogh



# Year 6 School Journey

Year 6 have been enjoying the most wonderful week making lifelong memories on the School Journey trip to Marchants Hill...more updates and photos to follow next week!



# The ORATORY SUMMER FÊTE

Saturday 20th June 2026

12~5PM

LUNCH, TEA  
DRINKS OF  
ALL KINDS  
To raise funds for  
The London Oratory  
Charity No.240702

GIFTS  
BOOKS  
FASHION  
PLANTS  
GAMES

## Calling all Bakers!

Hello All,

Another year has passed and I was wondering if you can help me again with some baking for the Tea Stall at the Oratory Garden Party the 20<sup>th</sup> of June. if possible making:

- Cakes, muffins, biscuits.. which can easily be sliced and sold to accompany the hot drinks.

The cakes, biscuits, muffins will need to be at the Garden Party by 12am, if you are not able to do so please let me know and can collect them.

Could you also kindly make sure:

- you include a label to explain what they are made of ( Almond and Pear tart...Lemon and Nuts biscuits ...), no need to mention all the ingredients

- you include a label to say for " ROSA".

They don't need to be nuts free.

Please let me know if you have some spare time to do some baking I will really appreciate it!  
Anything you are good at will be perfect.

Many thanks in advance,

Rosa

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## Donations Wanted!

This upcoming **Saturday 20th** is the **Oratory Summer Fete**, raising funds for the London Oratory.

A group of parents from School will be volunteering and running the toy stall, and they would be very grateful for **donations of well-loved toys in good condition, as well as children's clothes.**

Donations can be dropped off either at school (at the main office during drop-off or pick-up) or directly at the main reception at the church.

Thank you very much for your support!

## Drawing distorted images using a cover mirror by Art Club



## School Council TimeGivers Trip

Well done to our School Council children who went on a trip with TimeGivers charity this week to Dimson Lodge. The children demonstrated The Oratory Way in an exemplary manner throughout, sharing their talents of kindness and generosity. Here is what the TimeGivers representative, Lily, said:

*'We had a wonderful time at the centre with your student council. As always, the students were incredibly kind, patient and enthusiastic throughout the visit. They each spent time with an elderly member, creating lavender flowers using pipe cleaners. While doing this, they had lots of lovely conversations which made the session very meaningful. Several of the elderly members commented as I was leaving on how much they had enjoyed the visit and how well-mannered the students were.'*

Well done School Council children!



# Reception playful learning in the sunshine!



## SCHOOL COUNCIL WEEK!

Our brilliant School Council children will be taking over the school for their School Council Week the week beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

They are in the midst of making lots of wonderful plans, including:

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Sponge School Council!** More details to follow but don't miss the opportunity to sponge your school council (who willingly put themselves forward!) for their chosen charity. Well done, School Council!

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June: Oratory's Got Talent!**

School Council will be delighted to host our much-anticipated annual 'Oratory's Got Talent' on the afternoon of Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Auditions will be held the week before this.

Most importantly, School Council have chosen the charity: War Child to raise important funds for throughout the week. They are currently planning sponsored skips, runs and lots more! More details to follow but it is set to be a superb School Council Week!

## First Holy Communion



Please pray for our Year 3 children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time tomorrow. This is a very special day for the children and their families on their spiritual journey and we wish them well. The children had a rehearsal this week so they are aware of where to meet before the Mass and where to sit in Church. Please remember that the children should be taken to the burgundy door at the back of the courtyard between 10.15 and 10.30am and parents and guests should take their seats in the main Church once the morning Mass has finished.

Parents are invited to Monday's celebration lunch in school at 1pm, followed by the assembly at 2.30pm where the children will be presented with their certificates and gifts by Father James.

## Chaplain's Corner - Fr James

The Feast of the Sacred Heart falls right after Corpus Christi, showing the connection between the two mysteries. In the Eucharist is the living Heart of Jesus, beating with love for each and every one of us. In the Gospel Our Lord tells us that in His Sacred Heart we find refreshment and consolation: "come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest [...] for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29). Let us not be afraid to give our whole selves to Him, for in His Sacred Heart we lose nothing that is true and good in our lives, and find that true peace that the world cannot give us.

## Wednesday Word

Please see the link for this week's Wednesday Word: [10<sup>th</sup> June 2026](#)

## Infants' Sports Day Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2pm

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 2pm, the Infant pupils will enjoy their races at St Luke's pitches. Please meet us in the pitch nearest the Church. Parents wait on the left-hand side, and pupils sit opposite, on the right.

Year 6 prefects will be assisting us. **Remember that the children should wear their PE kits to school.**

Sun cream should be applied at home in the morning and they should bring their house-coloured school sun cap and a water bottle. The sports day will finish just before normal pick up and the children will come back to school with their teachers and be dismissed as normal on this day.

Parents- don't forget to wear sensible shoes so that you can take part in the adults' races!

## Music Concerts



### Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

We are very happy to invite parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to a music performance in the hall on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm.**

### Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

We will then be inviting parents of children in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 to a music performance in the hall at **2.30pm.**

This will be an opportunity for you to see just how much brilliant learning the children have been doing in their music lessons with Miss Buller.

### Next Academic Year



If your child will be leaving at the end of the academic year, please let the school know in writing as soon as possible, so that the place can be offered to a child on our waiting list.  
Thank you.

### Coffee Morning & Uniform Sale



We will be having a coffee morning and uniform sale on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June** from 8.30am in the school hall to which we have also invited any new families who will be joining us in September.

### Class Photos – Date change!

On **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**, the children will be having their whole class photographs. The photographs are being taken in St Luke's Park. Please make sure your child comes to school in clean uniform, the correct shoes (no trainers), grey socks for the boys and white socks for the girls. Long hair should be firmly tied up in case it is windy. The children will not wear their cardigans/jumpers for the photos.

## Reminder: Holiday dates

Please may we take this opportunity to remind you that term ends on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm.** Families **should not** book holidays before this date. Sickness absence at the beginning and end of term requires a doctor's certificate. The end of the school year is a vital time in a pupil's academic and social development. Children are being taught particular skills and curriculum content in preparation for the next year group and transitions are important. Pupils who miss time in these last few days are at a disadvantage at the beginning of the next year group. Not only this, low attendance figures reflect badly on the school and cause significantly more administrative work for the school's leaders and office staff. Thank you.

# Parent Allkind workshop



## Allkind Parent Workshop: Self-care and relaxation

We are happy to announce that we are organising a psychoeducational workshop for parents and carers which are going to be delivered by the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) from Allkind.

The workshop topic will be on Self-care and Relaxation. This workshop will be a presentation and opportunities for discussion around the core tenets of self-care, including mindfulness strategies that can be used on a daily basis, and techniques that can be practiced with children or as a family.

The workshop is going to take place at online on the date and time shown below.

**Friday 19th June, 9:30am to 10:30am**

Microsoft Teams:

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 385 056 322 585 45

Passcode: gD327FA3



Allkind  
Charity No. 202708

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

# Holland Park Summer Activity Day

Holland Park

## Summer Activity Day

10.30am to 4pm

Playing Field,  
Holland Park, W8 6LU

Sunday  
28 June  
2026

Learn from experts from football  
and basketball clubs, local gym providers,  
health professionals and others.

### Come and enjoy:

- Football
- Basketball
- Climbing
- Zumba
- Face painting
- Calisthenics
- Yoga
- Running
- Netball
- Cricket
- All ability cycling
- Outdoor gym
- An inflatable assault course
- Physio available

FREE  
admission

Suitable for all ages and fitness abilities.



# Year 2 Pond Dipping at the Natural History Museum

Year 2 braved the rain on Monday and had a wonderful time pond dipping to support their Science learning. They demonstrated The Oratory Way excellently – well done Oratorian Scientists!



The Earl's Courtiers Presents

# SHREK THE MUSICAL

**Location: Beatrix Potter Globe**

\*Bousfield Primary School, Entrance On Boltons Place

## Performance Schedule:

**Wednesday 24th June**

7.00pm – 9.45pm

**Thursday 25th June**

7.00pm – 9.45pm

**Friday 26th June**

7.00pm – 9.45pm

**Saturday 27th June**

2.00pm – 4.30pm

7.00pm – 9.45pm

**Sunday 28th June**

2.00pm – 4.30pm

**SCAN HERE**



# What's been going on in class this week?

## Year 6



## Year 5

Well done on another fantastic week in Year 5!

In English we have been working on developing our prediction skills while beginning our new novel, *The Final Year*.

In Maths we have looked at how to read, plot and translate coordinates.

In History we have continued our work on historical artefacts, looking at what they were used for within the Tudor period.

In RE we built our understanding of the bible being written by multiple authors over a number of centuries.

In PSHE we have been discussing medicines and their uses.

In PE we have been working on our racket skills

In Art we have continued our Tudor embroidery

In Science, we have completed our summer assessment.



## Year 4:

Year 4 have worked brilliantly this week, endeavouring through assessments and finishing our multiplication check! Here's what we have been up to across our other learning.

**English:** We started reading our new novel 'Odd and the Frost Giants'. We compiled a list of qualities that our character Odd displays and practised using subordinate clauses and suffixes in our letter writing.

**Maths:** We continued our work on shape. We classified and compared different quadrilaterals and polygons. We also explored lines of symmetry and challenged ourselves to create patterns for our partners to complete.

**R.E:** After reading the Creed, we discussed the four marks of the Catholic Church and how they describe the Church and its structure.

**History:** We learned about the Viking arrival to Britain and the raid on Lindisfarne and completed our own comic strips based on this event.

**Computing:** We used our problem-solving skills to debug codes and identify flaws in different sequences.

**Art:** We continued to work on our sewing using different stitch techniques.

**P.E:** Building on our introduction last week, we continued to develop our tennis skills.

**P.S.H.E:** We learned about diversity within families and discussed how all families are different in structure.

Well done Year 4 on another busy week. We hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Year 4 Team.



## Year 3:

Year 3 have had a fantastic week with Ms Nuttall!

As well as assessments and final preparations and rehearsals for their very important and much-anticipated First Holy Communion, they have also been learning:

In English Yr3 started a new book: The Thames Tide Club. They predicted the story by looking closely at the cover.

In Maths they were introduced to Parallel and perpendicular lines.

In PE we did tennis skills.

In DT we used vegetables to make natural dyes and used them to dye cotton.

In RE we reflected on the Last Supper and how we can find it in our current Mass.



## Year 2:

We have had a wonderful week in Year 2! We started the week with a fun (and rather wet!) pond-dipping workshop at the Natural History Museum and we finished the week with a wonderful visit to the National Gallery. Here is what the children have been up to this week:

In **English**, we wrote letters of advice to Bear giving him tips on how to look after a flower. We tried to use command sentences and adverbs in our writing. 'Bear and Bird' is a collection of short stories and we also sequenced and planned a retelling of the first of these stories.

In **Maths**, we have started a new unit on 'Statistics'. We have been using tally charts, tables and block diagrams to read and record information.

In **RE**, we listened to the words of 'Come, Holy Spirit' and thought about what it means to open our hearts to God. We also listened to the parable of the Good Samaritan and thought about how the story teaches Christians how to live.

In **Geography**, we identified and compared weather patterns in the UK and The Gambia. We wrote and read our own weather reports for London and Banjul.

In **Art**, we visited the National Gallery for a guided tour focusing on 'Art and Emotion'. We explored how artists link their subject choices, colour and composition to create emotional connections between the viewer and the painting.

In **PSHE**, we discussed the similarities and differences between boys and girls. We discussed the importance of respecting these differences.



## Year 1:

This week the children should be exceptionally proud of their hard work and perseverance towards the Phonics Screening Check, they have done so well! This is what else we have been up to:

**History:** This week we have been learning about Florence Nightingale and why she is significant. We compared her to Mary Seacole and spoke about their similarities and differences.

**Maths:** This week we have been looking at numbers to 100. We have been finding one more and one less than a given number and identifying numbers on a 100 square. We have also been finding missing numbers on a numberline.

**Religious Education:** This week we have been learning about the parish as a Christian community and the people who belong to it. Thank you to Father James who came in today to speak to us about the Brompton Oratory and its part in the Christian Community.

**English:** This week we have been learning about Capital letters and when to use full stops. We have also been retelling the story 'if all the world were' and ordering it.

**Phonics:** This week the children completed their Phonics Screening Check. They did brilliantly!

**PE:** In PE we have been learning about Cricket and have been focusing on our ball hitting skills.

**Handwriting:** We have been focusing on our Capital letters.

We hope you have a lovely weekend, Year 1 team.



## Reception:

It has been another busy week of learning in Reception and although Miss Smith has been away on school journey with Year 6, they have still made her very proud!

**Literacy:** This week, we have been retelling the story of The Rainbow Fish and using our brilliant descriptive words to describe the rainbow fish.

**Phonics:** We have continued to practise reading and writing words with consonant blends.

**Maths:** This week, we have been learning about dividing and sharing into equal groups.

**UTW:** This week, the children have been learning facts about underwater creatures.

**EAD:** The children have been using painting, cutting and sticking skills to create jellyfish and underwater shadow pictures!

**PD:** We have continued playing games for listening and understanding.

**RE:** This week, we have been learning about St Peter and St Paul.



## PUPIL OF THE WEEK & ACT OF KINDNESS

Congratulations to these children who have had an extra special week and received Pupil of the Week and Act of Kindness awards. Keep up the great work!

	Pupil of the Week	Act of Kindness
<b>Reception</b>	Amelia	Maria A
<b>Year 1</b>	The whole class!	Borja
<b>Year 2</b>	At the National Gallery	
<b>Year 3</b>	Kazimir	Yohan
<b>Year 4</b>	Alvaro B	Romy
<b>Year 5</b>	Lydia	Adrian
<b>Year 6</b>	School Journey!	
<b>Special Act of Kindness</b>		Augustas, Noa & Patrick (Y5)

<b>House of the Week</b>	<b>Class of the Week</b>
<b>Green House</b>	<b>Year 5</b> (For being such responsible leaders of the school)