

Newsletter

Summer Term: 19th June 2026



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

Dear Parents,

School has been a buzz of learning this week with so much going on! Started off brilliantly by celebrating our Year 3 children and their First Holy Communion, as well as enriching trips for Year 1 to Chelsea physic Gardens and Year 4 to the Science Museum and then finished off brilliantly by our wonderful Year 1 assembly this morning.

Next week will be our 'School Council Week' with lots of exciting plans, including the much-anticipated Oratory's Got Talent on Friday afternoon.

The forecast is very hot for next week so please be sure to send your child into school with their house-coloured cap and their water bottle...particularly our Infant children with their Sports Day on Monday afternoon.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

With my very best wishes,
Mrs Steinart

Upcoming dates

June

- 20 June** Oratory Summer Fete 12-5pm
- 22 June** Infant Sports Day 2pm (St Luke's Pitches)
- 26 June** Reception Class Assembly 9.15am
- 29 June** MapQuest Fortnight begins
- 29 June** Coffee Morning & Uniform Sale 8.30am

July

- 1 & 2 July** Parents' Evening
- 3 July** Summer Mufti Day
- 3 July** Y1 Cake Sale 3.30pm

July (cont.)

- 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: Special Journeys

This week in assembly our theme has been Special Journeys for which we have been focusing on the very special spiritual journey Year 3 have taken for their First Holy Communion and the excitement and adventure that Year 6 experienced for their recent School Journey. We reflected on how both are special journeys of growth – growing together on God's journey. We enjoyed looking at photos of both special occasions and then looked at the Catholic Social Teaching principles that Year 3 and Year 6 have lived out: Community – showing The Oratory Way; Solidarity – supporting one another; and Human Dignity – knowing that every person matters and that we are much stronger when we work together.

Story of the Week

Learning about Special Journeys
By Year 6



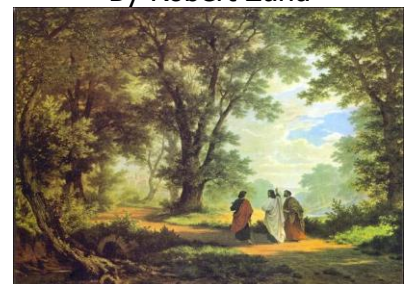
Music of the Week

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
By Nina Simone



Art of the Week

The Road to Emmaus
By Robert Zund



More Special Memories from School Journey



A Wild Adventure with Sir David Attenborough!

Year 1 transported us into the wonderful world of animals and nature as we met Sir David Attenborough himself and they shared their learning about caring for our planet. With brilliant rapping, poetry and fascinating animal facts, the children taught us how we can all play our part in living out the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Care for God's Creation. It was a joyful and informative assembly that showcased the children's confidence, enthusiasm and love of learning. Well done, Year 1!



Year 1 at Chelsea Physic Garden

Year 1 had a wonderful morning at the Chelsea Physic Garden on Wednesday, where they took part in the Plant Hunters workshop. The children explored the beautiful gardens, discovered how plants from around the world have been collected and used throughout history, and developed their knowledge of the different plants that help to sustain life on Earth. It certainly brought their science learning to life and they all demonstrated The Oratory Way brilliantly – what a busy week for Year 1!



School Council Week

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

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

Wednesday 24th June: Sponge School Council! Don't miss the opportunity to sponge your school council (who willingly put themselves forward!) for their chosen charity. Well done, School Council! (Although we might all be a bit jealous of them given the forecast next week!)

Thursday 25th June: Sponsored Skip

Get practising those skipping skills as we'll be skipping our way to fundraising for School Council's chosen charity: War Child.



Friday 26th June



Oratory's Got Talent!

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School Council will be delighted to host our much-anticipated annual 'Oratory's Got Talent' on the afternoon of Friday 26th June. Auditions are being held at this very moment!

Most importantly, School Council have chosen the charity: War Child to raise important funds for throughout the week. It is set to be a superb School Council Week!

Debating Success!



Well done to these brilliant Year 5 and Year 6 children who took part in a debating competition and all placed either first, second or third in the competition. Developing excellent debating skills and all showing The Oratory Way in an exemplary manner, we celebrated them all in assembly this morning.
Well done, Oratorian Debaters!

Brilliant Maasai Necklaces By Year 2



Chaplain's Corner - Fr James

The Gospel assigned to this Sunday contains Our Lord's assurance that every hair of our head is counted by God. This means that God knows us through and through, better than we know ourselves. Every moment of our lives is either willed or permitted by God to lead us to Heaven, so we should live our lives fearlessly, knowing that we have a Father in Heaven who constantly looks out for us and leads us toward Himself.

Wednesday Word

Please see the link for this week's Wednesday Word: [17th June 2026](#)

Owl & Owlet Reading Time



Infants' Sports Day Monday 22nd June 2pm

On Monday 22nd 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!

We will have gazebos for the children to sit under in order to provide some shade whilst they wait for their races. We will also have plenty of water available for the children.

Music Concerts



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music hub



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 8th 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.

Coffee Morning & Uniform Sale



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

HOT WEATHER

With the warm weather continuing, please ensure that your child comes to school with:

- Their house-coloured cap in their bag for use at playtimes.
- A named water bottle so they can stay hydrated throughout the day.

Please remember to apply sun cream to your child before they come to school each morning.

During this period of very hot weather, boys are permitted to attend school without their tie and have their top button undone.

We will continue to encourage regular water breaks and make use of shaded areas wherever possible.

Reminder: Holiday dates

Please may we take this opportunity to remind you that term ends on **Friday 17th 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.

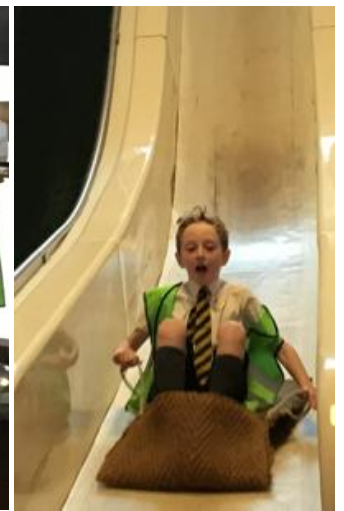
First Holy Communion

What a very special week it has been for our Year 3 children who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday on what was a truly memorable day for all. Celebrations continued in school on Monday where the children enjoyed a delicious lunch and then put on a very reflective assembly in which they received their certificates and medals from Father James. A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who put so much thought and effort into making the day so memorable - from the preparations to the celebrations. Special mention also to the Year 2 parents who did such a fabulous job of ensuring the reception on Saturday ran so seamlessly – thank you! And of course, a huge well done to all of the children for the reverence, maturity and pride they showed throughout – wonderful representatives of The Oratory Way!



Year 4 at the Science Museum

Year 4 enjoyed an exciting visit to the Science Museum, where they watched the interactive 'It Takes Guts' show and learned all about the fascinating journey food takes through the human digestive system. They then explored Wonderlab, taking part in hands-on experiments and interactive exhibit, bringing their science learning to life! The children were a credit to the school, demonstrating The Oratory Way excellently.



Green Orators Poster Competition

Our Green Orators Eco Team is excited to launch a Poster Competition! This year's theme is Recycling and All Its Benefits. We would love to see your creative ideas showing why recycling is important and how it helps our planet.

Competition Rules:

- Your poster can be created in any medium (paint, pencils, collage, digital printouts, etc.).
- Your poster can be any size.
- All materials used must be recyclable.
- Please make sure your name and year group are clearly written on the back of your poster.

Deadline: Tuesday 23rd June

Please hand your completed poster to any of the Green Orators or to your class teacher by the deadline.

We can't wait to see your fantastic creations and all the amazing ideas you have about recycling!

Good luck, and have fun getting creative!

The Green Orators Eco Team



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

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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

What's been going on in class this week?

Year 6

Year 6 have had a brilliant week back after all the excitement of School Journey! The Year 6s have now switched their focus to the end of year production! This week, the children have done the following:

English: Reading Focus: Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah. Writing Focus: independently selecting a genre, planning, writing, editing and publishing a piece of writing based on School Journey. Drama focus: preparing Year 6 end of term performance.

Maths: interpret and construct line graphs, use them to solve problems, and understand how to represent two variables.

PSHE: Participating in school transition workshop focusing on trustworthy friendship, safe travel, peer pressure and situational awareness.

RE: The Transforming Spirit: To analyse examples from the Pop Art movement and to create own working using photography, water colour paint and collage.

Science: Evolution & Inheritance: To understand that species is a group of similar organisms where two parents can reproduce to create offspring. To understand that variation is the difference between organisms.

Computing: Online Safety: digital citizenship and online safety: focus on avoiding phishing, managing digital footprint, protecting passwords, and preventing cyberbullying.

Latin: To understand prepositional phrases.

Art: To analyse examples from the Pop Art movement and to create own working using photography, water colour paint and collage.

PE: Tennis & Athletics

Next week is another exciting one - School Council week!



Year 5

What a wonderful week in Year 5! Here is a snippet of our learning:

In English, this week we have started our new text '*The Final Year*.' We have developed our understanding of poetic techniques.

In Maths, we have developed our skills of identifying and classifying different angles.

In History, we have looked at the Mary Rose and built our understanding of the importance of ships in Tudor times.

In Art, we continued working on our beautiful Tudor embroidery.

In PSHE, we have looked at legal and illegal drugs and the risks of drug use.

In PE, we enjoyed practicing tennis in the sunshine!

In RE, we described the actions and signs used in the Rite of Confirmation, using the correct religious vocabulary.

Have a lovely weekend!



Year 4:

Year 4 have had an exciting week, enjoying a fun and informative visit to the Science Museum where we saw practical demonstrations on the digestive system. Here's what we have been up to in class.

English: We developed character descriptions and practised identifying and using proper nouns. We created our own 'Who's Who' booklet based on our story to use as a reference as we read.

Maths: We plotted and identified points on a coordinate grid. We also practised translations of points and shapes. We used lines of symmetry from last week's learning to create fabulous name artwork!

R.E: We started to discuss the conversion of Saul and the importance of his meeting with Jesus.

History: We learned about the Great Heathen Army and King Alfred the Great.

P.E: We continued to practise our forehand and backhand swings in tennis and developed our understanding of aim and precision.

P.S.H.E: We explored what a stereotype is and the importance of challenging stereotypes.

Art: Continuing our sewing, we created beautiful pencil toppers using fabric.

Well done Year 4 on a wonderful week! We hope you all enjoy the weekend.

Year 4 Team

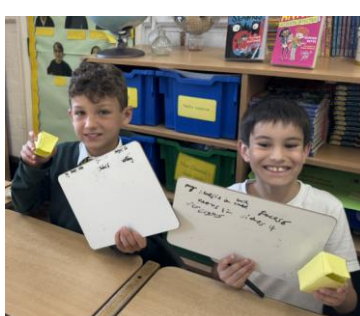


Year 3:

Year 3 had such a special start to their week, celebrating their First Holy Communion with lunch and assembly.

This week Year 3 have learnt:

- In Maths, we recognised and described the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. We even made our own 3D shapes!
- In English, we practised using the present and past perfect tense and time adverbials. We used these in a diary entry.
- In RE, we explored the links between Passover from Exodus and The Last Supper from Luke's Gospel, understanding that Jesus chose this as a special event.
- In Science, we began our new topic of 'Rocks and Soils' by taking a 'rock walk' around our local area and describing the properties of different rocks.
- In Art, we looked at the architecture of the Parthenon and compared it to modern architecture that has been influenced by the Ancient Greeks.
- In History, we learnt about famous Ancient Greek philosophers and the legacies they left behind.



Year 2:

We have had a lovely week in Year 2! The children have been working hard and have been putting lots of effort into their learning. Here is what the children have been up to this week:

In **English**, we retold the story of 'The Flower' in Bear and Bird series. We focused on sequencing the parts of the story and using descriptive language. We also started a new short story from the series – 'The Picnic'. We took part in 'readers theatre' and read out part of the story using expression.

In **Maths**, we have continued with 'Statistics'. We have been using pictograms to read and record information.

In **RE**, we have continued to look at the story of 'The Good Samaritan'. We have been thinking about how we can act as Good Samaritans in our community and we have reflected on the questions 'Who is my neighbour?'

In **Science**, we have learnt about the life cycle of a bean plant.

In **Geography**, we compared the fruits grown in The Gambia and fruits grown in the UK.

In **Art**, we explored and made Masai Necklaces.



Year 1:

We are so proud of Year 1's assembly today, they worked so hard and did a brilliant performance! This is what we have been learning this week:

Maths: This week we have been learning about numbers to 100. The children have been making their number using dienes to focus on tens and ones. They have also been consolidating their skills of recognising 2D and 3D shapes. They have also been practising their skills of counting forward and back.

English: This week we have been practising our handwriting and letter formation. We have been asking questions to find out more about a character.

History: We have been learning about Malala and why she was significant.

PE: In PE we have been getting ready for sports day by practising our running, throwing and balancing skills.

Science: We enjoyed a trip to Chelsea Physics Garden and learnt all about specific climates, plants and flowers.

Art: We made our beautiful animal hats for our Year 1 assembly.

Phonics: We have been practising writing our tricky words.

Have a lovely weekend, Year 1 team.



Reception:

Reception have had another busy week of learning!

Phonics: We have been reading and writing words with consonant blends such as clap, slippers and plank.

Literacy: We have begun our new class text "Splash". The children have been writing seaside words and have enjoyed using adjectives to describe what they have seen at the beach.

Maths: This week, we have focused on recognising odd and even numbers.

C&L: The children have been using new vocabulary to create their own seaside stories.

RE: This week, we have been discussing how everyone is welcome to be a friend of Jesus.

PD: The children have been busy practising for their sports day!



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
Reception	Samuel	Matilda
Year 1	Freddie	Alberto & Tomas
Year 2	Sienna	Juan
Year 3	Myles	Dominic
Year 4	Freddie	Kaitlyn
Year 5	Gabriel	Philip
Year 6	Daphne	Genesis
Special Act of Kindness		Ms Mark

House of the Week	Class of the Week
Red House	Year 1 (For their fabulous assembly!)