



## Newsletter

**WEEK ENDING: THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026**

Dear parents,

As we come to the end of our first half term of Spring 2026, we look back at all we have achieved so far. Our New Year's resolutions are most likely now a thing of the past, as is Christmas. We are now looking ahead to Easter Tide and the coming of our Risen Lord. Lent begins next Wednesday and rather than thinking of giving something up for Lent, I always like to encourage the children to do something extra. This could be as simple as praying for those in need, or giving time to help others. Of course, helping our parents at home to complete chores!

God bless, Mr Campling

### Stars of the week!

Reception	Nana	For being kind and trying his best.
	Mackayla	For her independent writing!
Year 1	Tahirah	For always being such a kind member of our class
	Cairo	For great work this term and trying even when the work gets tricky.
Year 2	Duong	For being helpful and kind to his peers
	Yididiya	For showing great resilience in her learning and managing her emotions.
Year 3	Pearl	For always showing great enthusiasm towards her learning.
	Terrell	For always trying his best in whatever he does.
Year 4	Kaja	For confidently using the new techniques taught in art
	Marcus	For approaching every day with enthusiasm and effort.
Year 5	Sonia	For creatively experimenting with materials and techniques in art.
	Bennett	For his willingness towards supporting his peers during maths lessons.
Year 6	Israel	For working really hard on his handwriting and always trying his hardest in every lesson.
	Zion	For working really hard in maths lessons and asking for help when needed.



Within their RE lessons over the last two weeks, Year 6 children have been preparing Visio Divinas to share with other classes. The Visio Divinas focussed on prayer, reflection and a chance for quiet meditation within the classes. The children worked together in groups to build the prayers, reflections and music, creating prayerful atmosphere's for reflection in the classrooms. A delight to see our older children sharing worship with younger children.



Today Fr Jamie came into school to concelebrate mass for our Key stage 2 children. Mass was prepared by the Year 5 children who read beautifully, sharing the message of Galilee to Jurasalem, thinking of Jesus' journey of faith. This reminded us all of the people who followed him as his disciples and how we can also be disciples in our everyday actions.





Our Year 6 netball team took part in the Barking & Dagenham netball finals at Barking Abbey this week. They played 4 matches in the group stage, winning 3 and drawing 1, which meant they qualified for the semi finals as group winners. In the semi final, they had a hard-fought 2-1 victory over James Campbell which meant they would face Beam in the final. Unfortunately, they lost 2-0 in the final to a very strong Beam side but they can be incredibly proud of their fantastic performances throughout the day and the silver medals they returned to school with. Well done Patricia, Olivia, Tani, Analiese, Imani, Aaron and Edward!



Our girls' football team have gotten off to a flying start in Round 2 of the Ballerz Girls League. Last week, they played two games, winning one and losing one. This week, they played Southwood and Parsloes, winning both. A 2-1 victory over Southwood and a 1-0 win over Parsloes currently sees them sitting at the top of their group on 9 points. This is a fantastic achievement given the high standard of football across Barking and Dagenham. Well done girls!

## School dates - Spring 2026

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> HALF TERM			
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Children return to school. Young voices choir visit to O2	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	CAFOD Big Lent Walk
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	School photographer in school – Individual and Class photographs.	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Stations of the cross artwork available for parents to view after school.
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Book look for parents (15:15 – 15:45)	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Last swimming session (Year 5)
MARCH		Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Passion for Parents (Years 3 & 4) 14:00
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	National Book week	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Spring Term.
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	World book day (Children invited to dress up as any character from a Julia Donaldson book)	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April Easter Break	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Science week begins	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to school, start of summer term.
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 trip to Houses of Parliament		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last week of teacher clubs (Music, Dodgeball, Arts & Crafts) Stations of the Cross at Lunch times for pupils (Led by Chaplaincy Team)		