



### Our School Mission Statement

Christ is alive at the centre of our school.  
He leads us to our love of learning and creativity, inspiring us to enquire broadly and deeply.

We share the journey together in a welcoming, loving and forgiving way.  
Through prayer and reflection, we reach out to everyone, accepting their uniqueness and encouraging them to grow their gifts and talents.

Working together we are changing the world for the better.

### Home School Liaison Officers (HSLO)

We are beginning to prepare for the Christmas Raffle. If anyone has any contacts to shops or local businesses that would like to donate a prize please see Miss O'Hara or Miss Wilkes who are at the school gate daily.

If there is anything you would like to discuss with us please contact the school office on 020 8856 2708 alternatively we will be on the school gates daily.

### Upcoming Events

**Monday 20th November - School Nurses in to check Heights & Weights - Rec & Year 6**

**Thursday 23rd November - School Photographer Individual & Siblings**

**Tuesday 28th November @ 2.15pm - Musical Showcase**

**Parents are invited to attend.**

**Wednesday 13th December - Christmas lunch.**

**Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas jumpers to school and donate £1 towards Save the Children Fund**

**St John Fisher Church Nativity - Father Anton has invited pupils to be part of his Nativity Play on Sunday 17th December after Mass. If your child would like to be part of this, please give your name to Father Anton by 12th November.**

**Monday 18th December @ PM Time to be confirmed - Christingle Carol Concert  
Parents are invited to attend.**

### Menu

Please find attached a  
[link](#)  
to our delicious new menu.

### PE Days

EYFS - Tuesday  
Year 1 - Thursday  
Year 2 - Wednesday  
Year 3 - Tuesday  
Year 4/5 - Thursday  
Year 6 - Wednesday



## HOLY FAMILY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: 17th November 2023

### Clubs

Breakfast Club from  
7.50am-8.40am - £5.00 per  
day, Stay and Play  
3.30pm-4.30pm £6.00 per day,  
After School Play Club  
3.30pm-5.45pm, (incl. snack)  
£12.00 per day.

These clubs run for children  
from Reception age to Year 6

Please ensure that your child is  
booked onto the system for all  
clubs as well as making payments.  
These are two separate bookings.  
We need to know numbers to  
cater for children. If you cannot  
get onto the system, please  
contact the school so that your  
child can be added.

### Polite Reminders

The school day ends at 3.30 pm, all children must be collected by this time. Children who are not collected promptly will be sent to After School Play Club and parents will be charged. After School Play Club finishes at 5.45 pm, there will be a late fee charged for any children not collected after this time. Parents will be unable to book children into the After School Club until **all outstanding fees are paid in full.**

School gates open at 8.45 am and close promptly at 8.55 am. Parents **MUST** bring their children to the office to sign them in and give a reason for lateness.

### Cultural Day

Follow our Instagram @hfkidbrooke to see what we got up to.

### Parking

Please ensure that you park considerately and not directly outside the school gates across the keep clear signs, as this blocks the road for others causing congestion and would stop emergency vehicles having access should the need arise.

### Wednesday Word

The "Wednesday Word" contains the Gospel that will be read the following Sunday and some points and actions to consider regarding our faith.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/wisdom?pid=MTA101634&v=108.1>



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### **Catholic Life & Mission**

#### **Governors Visit**

We were delighted to host our school governors, who visited to observe our Religious Education (RE) lessons and witness a pupil-led Liturgical assembly. They were highly impressed by what they saw and provided very positive feedback about the children's engagement in their RE learning and living out of our school Gospel values.



#### **Anti-Bullying Week**

We marked Anti-Bullying Week by wearing odd socks to show how unique we all are and had a special assembly. This connects to our Catholic values by promoting acceptance, diversity, and kindness for everyone.



Children celebrating Diwali adorned in their traditional attire shared their rich cultural experiences during a special whole-school assembly. They shared their traditions, offering insights into the significance of Diwali festivities.



### **RE**

Year 3 (St Teresa of Calcutta) had a special visit from a parent who shared insights into Jewish traditions, showcasing the customs and rituals of Shabbat. They had the opportunity to experience Challah bread and grape juice, symbolising elements of the Shabbat meal.



### **Collective Worship**

#### **Liturgical Assembly**

Our Faith Council led a thought-provoking Liturgical assembly centered around the theme of wisdom. Our mission going forth is: How will you grow God's gift of wisdom?

Year 3 (St Teresa of Calcutta), Year 4 and 5 (St Josephine Bakhita) have been making prayer stones for our prayer garden. By using words from our school mission, Catholic Social Teaching principles, and Gospel values on the prayer stones, we're reminded of these important beliefs during our prayer times. It helps us focus on what we value together and guides our thoughts during worship time.



#### **Hymn of the week**

'Our God is a great big God'



### **BBC Children in Need**

Our support for BBC Children in Need demonstrated Catholic social teaching by showing solidarity and compassion towards disadvantaged children, reflecting our values and school mission of charity and support for those in need. Thank-you to everyone who donated.



### **Parent Questionnaire**

Mr Holdsworth, our Chair of Governors, has put together the following [questionnaire](#) and we would be grateful if you could all complete this before Friday 24th November.

We really value your feedback and as always, appreciate your support.

### **School Photos**

On Thursday 23rd November the School Photographer will be in to take individual and siblings photographs.



### **The Mayor's "Love your Lunches" School Challenge**

*This week the Mayor launches his **"Love your Lunches" School Challenge**. The challenge invites London's school children in years 3 to 6 to celebrate all that is amazing about school lunches by making a creative piece of work on the theme "The best thing about school lunch is...."*

*By entering the challenge, pupils will have the chance for their work to feature on the Mayor of London's communication platforms with further fantastic prizes to be announced shortly. Updates will be posted online.*

*Please follow the link for more info on how to enter.*

<https://www.london.gov.uk/who-we-are/what-mayor-does/priorities-london/free-school-meals/mayor-londons-love-your-lunch-challenge>



This Weeks Percentage Attendance



Year 2 had the best overall attendance this week and as a reward they can wear their own clothes to school next Friday (24th November)



*All things Music.... Dates for your diary*

Friday 1st December the Gospel Choir will be performing at Sparkle in the Park at Avery Hill Park - 4:30 - 4:50pm.

Sunday 3rd December the Gospel Choir will be performing at Pegler Square for the Kidbrooke Christmas Lights switch on at 6:00pm.

28th November - Christmas Concert - start time 2.15pm

6th February - Gospel Choir - start time 3.00pm

19th March - Gospel Choir - start time 3.00pm

21st May - Gospel Choir - start time 3.00pm

2nd July - Music Festival



Dear Parent/Carer,

**GREENWICH  
PARENTS & CARERS  
TELL US ABOUT  
YOUR CHILDCARE  
NEEDS**

FILL OUT THIS SHORT ONLINE SURVEY  
SO WE CAN PLAN CHILDCARE PROVISION

FIS@royalgreenwich.gov.uk  
or 020 8921 6921

ROYAL borough of  
GREENWICH

The Royal Borough of Greenwich wants to hear your thoughts on childcare for children and young people of all ages.

This is important because of the government's recent announcement that more parents/carers will be supported by an extension of the free childcare offers.

The Royal Borough want to hear how this may affect the way you use childcare, as they need to make sure that there are enough places in early years settings to meet the demand. Plus we would like to hear feedback about childcare for older children/young people

They would be extremely grateful if you could complete this short survey before Friday 24th November 2023