



Diary Dates

NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Carers,
In Mondays assembly we talked about Trinity Sunday and the importance of the Holy Trinity— God the father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

I explained that this is one of the mysteries of our faith and is hard to explain. John Wesley once said 'bring me a worm that can comprehend a man, and I will bring you a man who can comprehend God'.

I talked about what might be the most important words in the Bible and I said that for me it's 'I will be with you always' (Matthew 28:20).

What we do know about God and can see with our eyes is how God works through us and others in the form of the Holy Spirit. When, for example, we see aid workers supporting those most in need, feel the love of a parent, learn about scientists making medical breakthroughs. This is God working through us. Knowing that God is always with us and is on our side should bring us great joy and hope.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mr Doherty



Toy donation and bottle donation days
Please remember your toy donations next Friday and your bottle donations (3rd July). The children can wear their own clothes on both days.



Attendance

Attendance this week was 94.7%
This week's top class for attendance with 99% was Year 2.
Well done Year 2!



Thank you to everyone who attended our Coffee Afternoon on Tuesday afternoon to hear about parenting workshops, courses and support for families from different local providers.

Some families asked us to share the key information. Please see the notes and links below:



St Catherine Catholic Primary School

Support for Parents and Families



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The Parenting Apart Programme

Zihannah and Sophina from Incredibly ELEV8ED described the range of parenting courses and workshops that they offer to support local families.

For example:

Parenting Apart course to support families co-parent whilst going through or after separation [Parenting Apart Programme - Hillingdon Council](#)

Triple P Parenting - a 6-week programme full of strategies to encourage positive behaviour. This is the course which CAMHS are directing parents towards before assessing for ADHD.

To see the schedule for all their courses and to sign up, go to [COURSES AND WORKSHOPS | Incredibly ELEV8ED](#)



Stronger Families HILLINGDON

I need help and support for my family
Our Stronger Families Hub is here to help and support you with information, advice and support any time of the day or night.



Building Strong Families

Suzy and Dean from Hillingdon's Stronger Families Key Worker Service described how they work in partnership with families at home, empowering parents to enable children to reach their full potential.

The programme is decided on by the parent(s) and the key worker, who collaborate to create a plan and work towards the identified goals. They also support families in accessing other services and advocating for their children.

Parents can self-refer or speak to Ms Gallagher (SENCo) who will make the referral for them.

For more information go to

- [Stronger Families Key Working - Leap](#)

Hillingdon Youth Offer

What are you looking for?

Advice and support for young people

Family hubs and children's centres

Health and wellbeing

Hillingdon Youth Offer

Learning, education and employment

Things to do

Sylvia from Hillingdon's Family information Service shared the Hillingdon Directory.

This is a great webpage with links to hundreds of services, clubs, sports facilities, drama opportunities, events for young people with SEND, holiday playschemes and so much more that is available for all Hillingdon residents.

You can filter according to the local area or according to whatever interests you!

To search what is on offer, go to [Young people | Hillingdon Directory](#)

Our next community Stay and Play event will be held this Saturday 28th June from 10am. Please share this with friends and family. We look forward to seeing you and your children there.



St Catherine Catholic Primary School and Nursery

*Our next community Stay and Play morning
for Nursery and Reception aged children
and siblings will be held on:*



Saturday 28th June

10am until 12 noon

This event is open to children children
currently attending our school and children in
the local community. If you have a questions
please contact our office:

office@stcatherine.co.uk

telephone: 01895442839



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!



We are just **two weeks** away from our Summer Fayre on **Sunday 6th July**. Can you come along and help us make this a great day!

We still need volunteers to help prepare for the summer fayre on Friday 4th July between 10-12pm and to help set up and run stalls during the fayre including:

- * Tin Can Alley
- * Beat the goalie,
- * Pitch and Putt
- * Craft Stall
- * Bouncy castle
- * Face Painting

Please contact one of the FSCS representatives (via your WhatsApp Class Rep or on the playground) for more information.



DONATION DAYS!

**Friday 27th June
Toy Donation**



Please remember that the children can wear own clothes in exchange for a bottle and toy on the donation days for the school fayre. Can we ensure that any toys that are donated are either new or in immaculate condition.





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FSCS News

20th June 2025

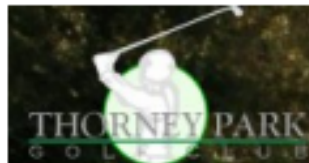


Silent Auction



We are running our Silent Auction again at the Summer Fayre. We would like to take this opportunity to say a thank you to all of the businesses and members of our local community who have kindly given us a prize for our silent auction or a donation. These are just some of the auction prizes you could bid on!

All Silent auction bids will be taken on *Sunday 6th July* between 12-2:45pm.



BLETCHLEY PARK



Good Time
GOLFIN



AIRHOP





St Catherine Catholic Primary School



FSCS News

20th June 2025

Coming up...

Friday 27 June
Toy Donations

Thursday 3 July
Bottle Donations

Friday 4 July
Preparations for Summer fayre
(including folding raffle tickets),
10-12pm, School Hall


Sunday 6 July
Set up from 8am. Summer Fayre,
12-3pm, School playground

Wednesday 18 September
FSCS Meeting, 7 pm, School Library





ST CATHERINE'S SUMMER FAYRE



Sunday 6th July
12:00–3:00pm

IN THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
MONEY LANE, WEST DRAYTON

£1 ENTRY
(CHILDREN FREE)

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!
ALL WELCOME!

- tombolas • fun games •
- fully licensed bar • BBQ
- food and cakes • silent auction
- glitter tattoos • face painting
- raffles • great shows and entertainment •
- music by Radio Hillingdon and much more!

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Holy Communion

Congratulations to our children who will make their First Holy Communion this Sunday:

Olivia Bray
Ciaran Doherty
Isabella Coleman
Leon Jones
Oskar Powell
Beatrix Stonebanks
Jenson Simmonds
Artur Straebler
Alexandra Straebler

We will be thinking of you all on your very special day.



Year 6 PGL

We wish the staff and children, who will be attending PGL next week, the best time ever on the Isle of Wight. We will see you all next Friday!



New to Nursery information workshop



Thank you to all of our new parents who attended the 'new to Nursery' information workshop for children starting in September.

Thank you also to Miss Bain and Mrs Phaure for leading the session. Our school strongly believes that positive transitions, involving collaboration between parents and staff, build a strong foundation for our children's future learning and development.



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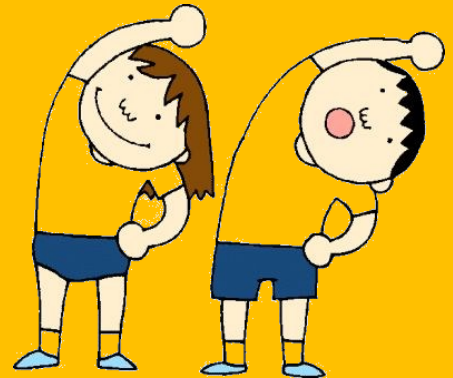
Perfect 10!



Well done to Gracie-Mae in Year 1 who got 10/10 for the first time on her weekly spelling test. A wonderful achievement. I asked Gracie-Mae how she did it and she told me 'Lots of practice'. As my first violin teacher once told me— 'The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is practice'.

Year 4 extra PE

Year 4 will have an extra PE lesson with our PSD coach next week on Tuesday, as Year 6 are away. Please ensure your children come to school in their PE kit on Tuesday. Thank you.



Year 3 class Mass

A reminder that Father Brian will be celebrating Mass with Year 3 in school at 2pm on Tuesday July 1st. Family are very welcome to attend. Please aim to arrive at school no later than 1.50pm so we can take you to the classroom and seat you.



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Look Who's Talking class winners and runners up

Well done to everybody who took part in this years Look Who's Talking public speaking competition. The following children were the winners and runners up in each class:

- Nursery: Winner: Luna Runner up: Arthur
- Rec: Winner: Sara Runner up: Angela
- Year 1: Winner: Noah Runner up: William
- Year 2: Winner: Michael P Runner up: Kristian
- Year 3: Winner: Ciaran
- Runners up: Isabella and Elliot
- Year 4: Winner: Hallie Runner up: Nicole C
- Year 5: Winner: David H
- Runners up: Melanie and David D
- Year 6: Winner: Karolina Runner up: Veronika

The winners from each class will now compete in phase groups and the winners from each phase (Years 1/2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6) will present to the whole school in our 'Look Who's Talking' assembly at 2pm on Thursday 10th July. Phase finals will take place this Monday. Yr 5 and 6 phase final will take place on Monday 30th June after PGL.

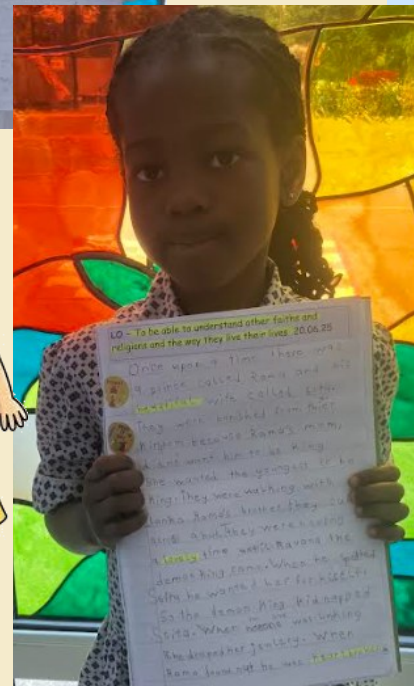
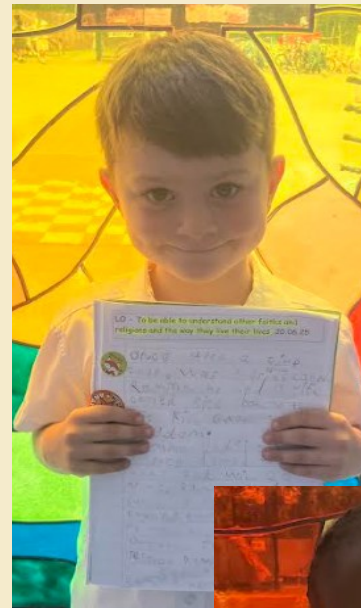
Nursery and Reception winners go straight through to our Look Who's Talking assembly on 10th July. Well done Luna and Sara.

Winners from Years 1-4 make sure you are ready to present again on Monday!



Super storytelling

Well done to Simon and Ewurasi, who were sent to see me with their AMAZING retellings of the story of Rama and Sita. The children have been learning about the Hindu religion in RE lessons. Simon was even brave enough to read his to the entire Year 5 class! Well done both of you.





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Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to raising money for The Passage by sponsoring the children running the TCS London Marathon. This week I saw this lovely social media post by the charity about our amazing little school. You should all be very proud.





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Visit from DHL

A massive thank you Mr Fernandes (one of our amazing parents) and his team from DHL who came into school this week to teach our children about being safe around lorries. The children learnt, for example, that you should never ride bikes alongside trucks and should stand back from the kerb if a lorry is turning left.





Chess tournament runners up

Well done to our chess team (Deivi, David D, Sovereign, Lukas, Erin, David H, Timmy, William, Cailyn and Samuel Murray) who took part in the Hillingdon and Ealing District Chess Tournament on Sunday. We came 2nd overall. Well done children. Another wonderful accomplishment. Thank you to Mr Hughes for all of his hard work in preparing the children in chess club this year.





Practical Pedestrian training (Years 2 and 3)

Thank you to the STARS (Sustainable Travel: Active, Responsible, Safe) team, who came in today to work with Years 2 and 3 on how to cross the road safely. It essential to remind our children regularly, that roads are a place where they need to be extra careful. The children learnt to Stop, Look, Listen and Think before crossing.



PARENT COFFEE MORNINGS AND WORKSHOPS JULY 2025

Challenging Behaviour Workshop

How to support your child with managing big emotions, following instructions, and behaviour that is challenging.

3rd of July at 2:15pm



Year 6 Transition to Secondary School

Supporting your child with worries and anxieties related to moving to Secondary School and how to prepare for this

10th July at 4:30pm

Sleep Hygiene Stay and Play

Tips on supporting your child if they have difficulty sleeping, bed time routine, and general tips on how to support your child over the summer holidays

17th July at 1:30pm



All workshops will take place at St Catherine's in the school hall

Even if these topics do not apply to you, please feel free to come along for further information on the Mental Health Support Team and how we may support you!

Our school prayer for June

Our prayer for June is the Glory Be. This is a prayer that all of our children should be able to recite off by heart.

The Glory Be



Glory

be to the



Father



and to the

son



and to the

Holy Spirit



As it was in the

beginning,

is



now



and

ever



shall

be



World

without



end



Amen

ST CATHERINE'S AMAZON WISH LIST



Dear parents and carers,

The school has opened an Amazon Wish list account to enable us to provide even more for our children in school. Please see link at bottom of page. There is also a link on the 'Quick Links' section on the homepage of the school website.

If you, or friends or family, are able to contribute please do so.

Once again your support is greatly appreciated.

Mr Doherty

<https://amzn.eu/12fuUtV>



WOW Walk to school challenge

We are excited to take part in this year's **WOW walk to school challenge** which is an initiative from Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, to help as many children as possible experience the benefits of walking to school.

What are the benefits of walking to school?

- Children feel happier and healthier.
- They arrive to school refreshed and ready to learn.
- Helps reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates.



Your children will self-report how they get to school every day. If they travel actively (walk/wheel, cycle, scoot or park and stride) **at least once a week for a month**, they will be rewarded with a badge.

Park and Stride – If driving, park and stride can help your child earn their WOW badges. **Park at least 10 minutes away from the school and walk the remaining journey.** If using public transport, hop off at least 10 minutes away and walk. Use the map below to see suggestions for areas to park and stride. Parking in the blue zone, where permitted, and walking the rest of the way will count as park and stride.

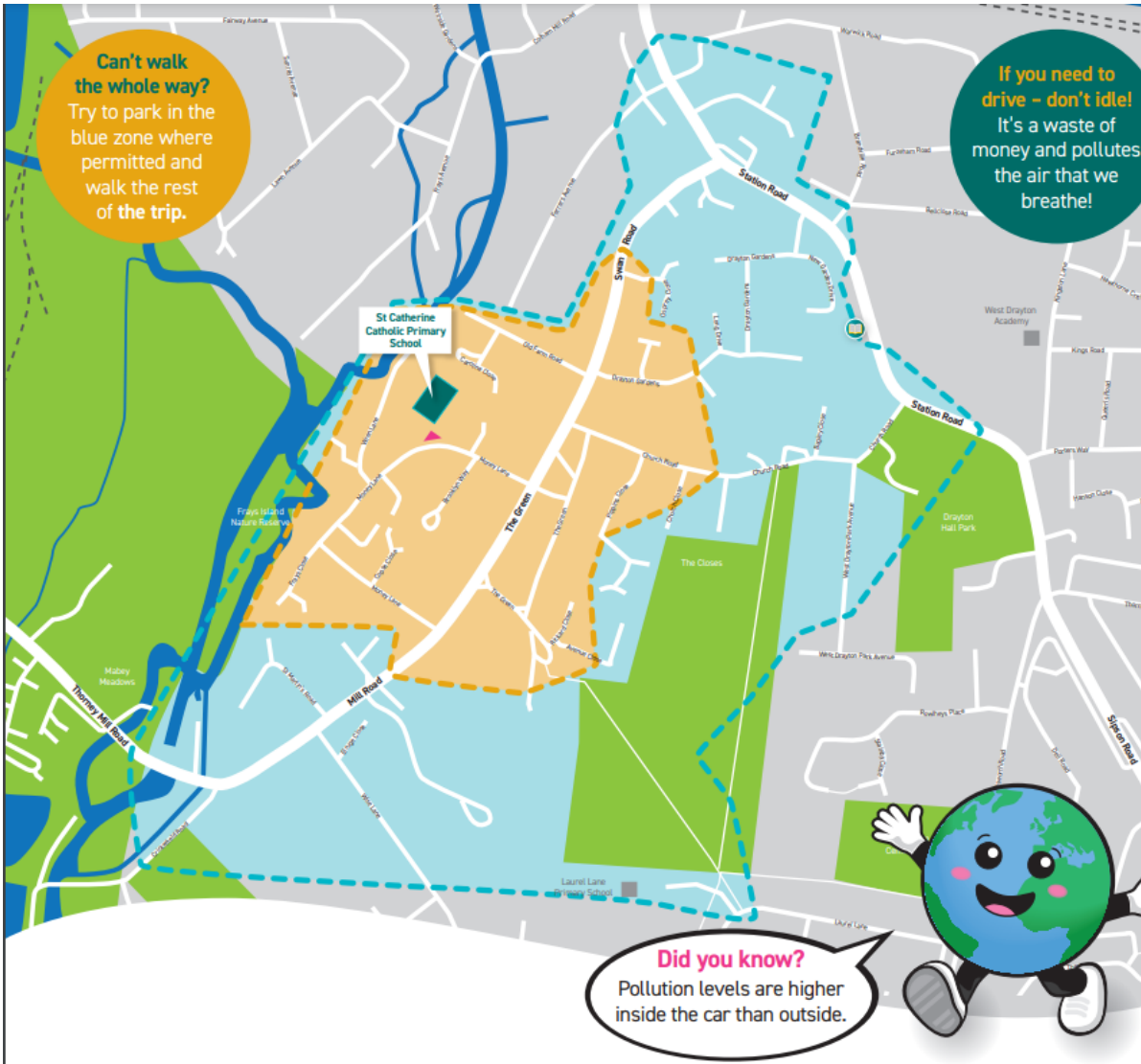
Your children have been introduced to the initiative today and are excited to get going! There are 11 badges to be earned from September 2024 – July 2025. Each badge has been designed by a pupil from across the UK as part of the annual WOW Badge Design Competition. WOW 2024/25 encourages pupils to Walk with Imagination, with a selection of badges ranging from a Bird's Eye View to Road Surfing up for grabs. The badges are made in Cornwall from material that was otherwise destined for landfill, including fridge trays, plastic plates and yoghurt pot off-cuts.

To launch this, next week we will hold a **walk to school week** where you can earn your first badge by walking to school at least once. From the following week you will need to **walk at least once a week during each month**.

Find out more about the challenge here: <https://youtu.be/op0zWJw1Hs0>

We look forward to hearing all about your travels. Happy Walking.





Can't walk the whole way?
Try to park in the blue zone where permitted and walk the rest of the trip.

If you need to drive - don't idle!
It's a waste of money and pollutes the air that we breathe!

Did you know?
Pollution levels are higher inside the car than outside.

skip
your ride,
take a
stride

ST CATHERINE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WALK ZONE MAP

Let's make walking part of your daily routine!

- Key:**
- 5 minute walking zone
 - 10 minute walking zone
 - Bus stop
 - Zebra crossing
 - Pedestrian crossing
 - School entrance
 - Library



EXPLANATION OF TRAVEL MODES ON THE WOW TRAVEL TRACKER



Cycle: Select this icon if you have cycled all the way to school. 'Cycle' counts as an active journey and contributes towards earning a badge.

Other: This icon counts as an active travel trip and will contribute towards earning a badge. Choose this for any active journey that does not fit into the other categories.



Walk/Wheel: Select this icon if you have walked or wheeled all the way to school. We support disabled pupils and those with special educational needs to enjoy walking. This icon includes pupils walking with the use of mobility aids, including wheelchairs or wheeled walkers. 'Walk/ Wheel' counts as an active journey and contributes towards earning a badge.



Park and Stride: Park and Stride is a great way for pupils who live too far away from school to still earn a badge. Simply park the car at least 10 minutes away from school and complete the journey by foot, wheelchair, bike or scooter (any active mode of travel used to complete the journey counts!). 'Park and Stride' counts as an active journey and contributes towards earning a badge.



Bus: Select this icon if you took the bus (including school bus) or used public transport to get to school. 'Bus' does not count as an active journey, so it will not contribute towards earning a badge. If you choose to use public transport but still want to earn a badge, you can hop off at least 10 minutes from school and walk the rest of the way. If you choose to do so, instead of 'Bus' select 'Other'.



Scooter/Skate: Select this icon if you came all the way to school by scooter, skateboard, etc. 'Scooter/Skate' counts as an active journey and contributes towards earning a badge.

Driven: Select this icon if you drove all the way to school. 'Driven' does not count as an active journey so it will not contribute towards earning a badge.



Absent: Select this icon for any pupils who are absent (for every day of their absence). It is important absences are recorded correctly to give pupils a fair chance to earn a badge.

Delete: If you accidentally select the wrong travel mode, use the delete icon to clear it and start again.



Taxi: Select this icon if you travel by taxi the whole way to school. 'Taxi' does not count as an active journey so it will not contribute towards earning a badge.



Important future diary dates

Mon 23rd June - Fri 27th June—Year 6 PGL trip

Wed 25th June—New Reception Parents information session at 6pm

Fri 27th June—Toy Donation day for Summer Fayre/ own clothes day

Saturday 28th June—Community Stay and Play morning 10am-12 noon

Tuesday 1st July—Reception to Yr 1 transition Evening at 6pm

Tuesday 1st July—Year 3 class Mass at 2pm

Wednesday 2nd July—EYFS Sports Day in school 9-10am

Wednesday 2nd July - District Sports at Hillingdon Athletics Stadium from 4.15pm

Thursday 3rd July - Bottle Donation day for Summer Fayre/ own clothes day

Thursday 3rd July - Year 3 trip to British Museum

Thursday 3rd July—Year 5/6 transition evening including info about PGL 2026

Thursday 3rd July—Reception trip to Hounslow Urban Farm

Friday 4th July—training day (school closed)

Sunday 6th July—School Summer Fayre 12-3pm

Wed 9th Jul—Year 1,2,3 Sports Day on school playground 8.45—10am

Wednesday 9th July—Yr 2 transition to Yr 3 parents meeting at 6pm

Friday 11th July—Year 4,5,6 Sports Day on The Green (9-10.30am)

Tuesday 15th July—Leavers Mass at 9.30am

Tuesday 15th July—Optional Parents Evening 3.15pm-4.30pm

Thursday 17th July—Year 1/2 trip to The Lookout Discovery Centre

Thursday 17th July—Year 3/4 trip to WWT London Wetland Centre

Thursday 17th July—Year 6 production from 6pm

Monday 21st July—Year 6 Leavers BBQ from 1pm (parents welcome)

Tuesday 22nd July—last day of term— 1.30pm finish

