



## Diary Dates

### Sun 6th July

School Summer Fayre 12-3pm

### Mon 7th July

Beginners chess with Colin (Yrs 1-6)

Summer sports club (Yrs 1-4) 3-4pm

### Tues 8th July

Intermediate Chess club Yrs 1-6 3-4pm

Racket Sports Years 3-6 3-4pm

Irish Dancing 5-8pm

# NEWSLETTER

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4th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

In whole school assembly this week I spoke to the children about the Feast of St Peter and Paul which was celebrated on Sunday 29th June.

I told the children that they are foundational Apostles of the Church and together spread the word of God to the whole world. Paul, in particular, made it his mission to take the good news to the gentiles who were considered, at that time by the Jews, to be unclean.

He went against the grain. I told the children about how, when I was younger, we put a bird feeder up in the garden and at first attracted all sorts of beautiful birds until the crows, magpies and squirrels muscled in and ate it all. We stopped refilling it. Looking back we should have seen all of the animals as beautiful and worthy.

Peter and Paul are examples of how we should live. They were both surprising choices by God. Their lives show how God's love is shared with everyone.

Have a lovely weekend. See you all on Sunday at the Summer Fayre!

Mr Doherty



## New Headteacher visiting next week

Next week our new Headteacher (Mr Booth) will be in school to work alongside myself and Mrs Phaure as we ensure a smooth leadership transition for September. Mr Booth will get to meet the children and teachers and will be on the playground at the beginning and end of both days (Tuesday and Friday). Please give Mr Booth a warm St Catherine welcome.

## Attendance

Attendance this week was 94.7%

This week's top class for attendance with 97.5% was Year 4.

Well done Year 4!



# We are the champions!

## District Sports Champions!



2024/25

What can I say? What a way to end a year of sporting excellence at St Catherines.

We are gaining quite the reputation!

This was the most impressive performance by any school I have ever seen at District Sports. The children did us more than proud by taking home the District Sports shield for the 2nd time in 3 years! This was a team effort and nothing said this more than the fact that we won each of the four relay events. Unprecedented.

A very special thank you to Mr Ryan (our PSD coach) and Miss McCormack, who led the athletics coaching sessions with the squad this term. The hard work certainly paid off! Can I also say thank you to all the staff who helped out on the evening and especially Mrs Doherty for organising what many said, was the best run District Sports in years. Well done!

Congratulations children! You are a very very special group.

# We are the champions!

## Results:

Mixed relay sprint (Year 3)  
1st place—Isabella, Shiloh, Jenson, Ciaran

Mixed relay sprint (Year 4)  
1st place—Louie, Elia, Marilyn, Iwo

Mixed relay sprint (Year 5) 1st place— Ciara, Lukas, Theo

Mixed relay sprint (Year 6) 1st place—Riley, Filip, Noelle, Emmie

Girls 600m (Year 5 and 6) 2nd place - Emmie

Boys sprint (Year 6) - 1st place—Riley

Boys vortex throw (Year 6) 1st place - Timmy

Girls tennis ball throw (Year 3) 1st place—Emma

Boys running long jump (Year 5) 3rd place—Jace

Girls vortex throw (Year 6) 3rd place—Karolina

Girls running long jump (Year 6)  
3rd place—Katalynna

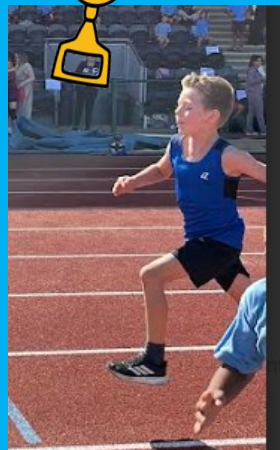
Girls sprint (Year 5) - 3rd place - Natalie

Girls sprint (Year 3) 3rd place—Isabella

Boys sprint (Year 4) 3rd place - Louie

Girls sprint (Year 4) 1st place—Elia

Girls tennis ball throw (Year 4)  
1st place—Hanna





# FSCS News

4th July 2025



We **STILL NEED** volunteers to help set up and run stalls during our **Summer Fayre** on **Sunday 6th July** (even just 1 hour on a stall makes a difference!)



Help make this a great event for all and spread the love!



*Many hands make light work.*

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

# Thank You

.....to all the children and parents for your bottle donations today.

*We really appreciate your support!*

## Coming up...

**Sunday 6 July**

**Set up from 8am-1130am.**  
**Summer Fayre, 12-3pm,**  
School playground

**Thursday 18 September**

**FSCS Meeting, 7 pm, School Library**



St Catherine Catholic Primary School



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## Silent Auction



Join in with our Silent Auction again at the Summer Fayre. 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 some of the auction prizes you could bid on! Good Luck!

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



BLETCHLEY PARK



Good Time GOLF IN




HACS





# 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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## Diary Dates

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### Wed 9th July

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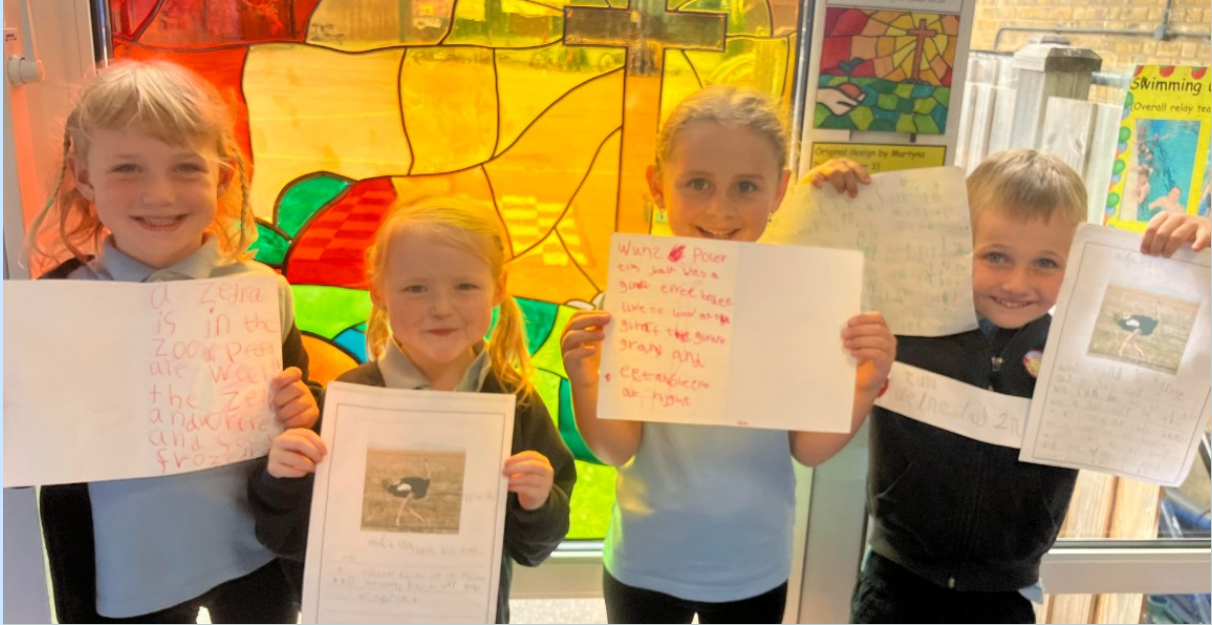
Year 1,2,3 Sports Day on school playground. Starts at 8.45am

Lego club  
Years 1-4  
3-4pm

Year 2 going into Year 3 transition information session at in Year 3 classroom @ 6pm

Year 5 going into Year 6 PGL information session in library @ 6pm

## Reception animal facts



I had the loveliest of visits from the children in Reception who came to see me with their incredible writing about animals. Not only had they written beautifully but they were able to tell me so many facts about their chosen animal. Well done Reception.

### Thurs 10th July

Look Who's Talking final at 2pm in school hall

Summer Sports club  
Years 3-6  
3-4pm

Singing and signing club  
Years 1-4  
3-4pm

Transition workshop for Year 6 parents with Elinor at 4.30pm in school hall

## Look Who's Talking Final

Well done to Karolina in Year 6 who joins Luna from Nursery, Sara from Reception, Noah from Year 1 and Hallie from Year 4 in the final of Look Who's Talking on Thursday 10th July. The family of finalists are very welcome to attend. Assembly starts at 2pm. Please arrive by 1.50pm so we can seat you.





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Year 4,5,6 Sports  
Day on The  
Green from 9am

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## Well done Iwo

Not only did Iwo win gold (this week) as part of our District Sports team but last Saturday he was awarded 'most improved payer' in his Townmead U9s team for 2024/25 season. A wonderful achievement Iwo and only possible by putting in lots of hard work in training. Well done. You should be very proud.



## Year 5 PGL trip information session

Apologies for this weeks cancelled PGL information session for next year. This has been rescheduled for Wednesday 9th July at 6pm.



## Challenging Behaviour Workshop

Thank you to all of our families who attended Elinor's 'Challenging Behaviour' workshop this week. We hope you found it useful. Thank you again to Elinor and the Hillingdon Mental Health Support Team for their continued work in our school. It is appreciated so much.



# COMMUNITY STAY AND PLAY

Thank you to all of the families who attended last Saturday's Community Stay and Play. It was a wonderful turnout (once again) and it was so lovely to see lots of our children who will be starting in September in EYFS. As Mrs Phaure likes to say 'there is no first day at St Catherines'.

A special thank you to all the staff who gave up their time to help out: Mrs Doherty, Mrs Murray, Mrs Kilmartin, Miss Simmonds and especially Mrs Phaure for organising the event. I would like to say a very special thank you to Jacinta Buckley (Family Development Worker) who came to share some of the amazing services available to families through Hillingdon's Children Centre Service and Hillingdon's Family Hubs.

Thank you Jacinta!





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## Reception trip to Hounslow Urban Farm

On Friday the Reception class visited Hounslow Urban Farm. The children were thrilled to see and handle the huge range of animals. They delighted in feeding the sheep and goats and impressed us with their factual knowledge of animals. They were both gentle and brave while holding a Giant African Land Snails, Sudan Pleated Lizard and Fancy mice. Their enthusiasm was infectious and we were so proud of their behaviour. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff who made this a truly memorable trip Mrs Phaure





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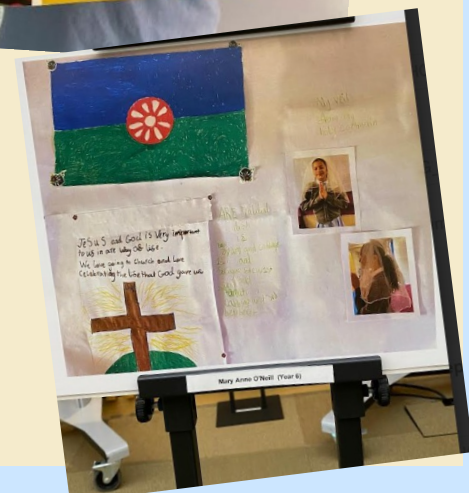
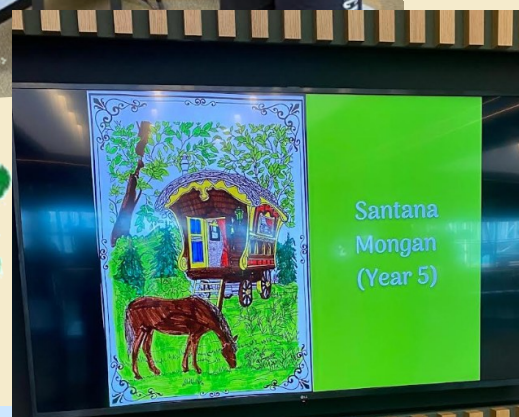
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## Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Art Exhibition

On the 27th of June we were honoured to be invited to attend the GRT Art Exhibition at City Hall where three of our talented children were awarded prizes for their amazing artwork.

This event celebrated all aspects of GRT culture and was hosted by the Deputy Mayor for London Debbie Weeks Barnard. We were entertained by superb traditional musicians and singers from the Roma and Irish Traveller community and we were also treated to a colourful Roma fashion show.

Congratulations to Mary Ann O'Neill, David and Michael Hufkie who came second and third in the U12s category. Mrs Bryant





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## Pedestrian training

Thank you to the Hillingdon Road Safety team who came to work with Year 4 and 5 this week on crossing the road safely. The children were reminded to stop, look, listen and think. Our instructors were so complimentary about the children and said that they love coming to our school because the children really listen and engage. Isn't that wonderful to hear?



## **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.

3<sup>rd</sup> 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

10<sup>th</sup> 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

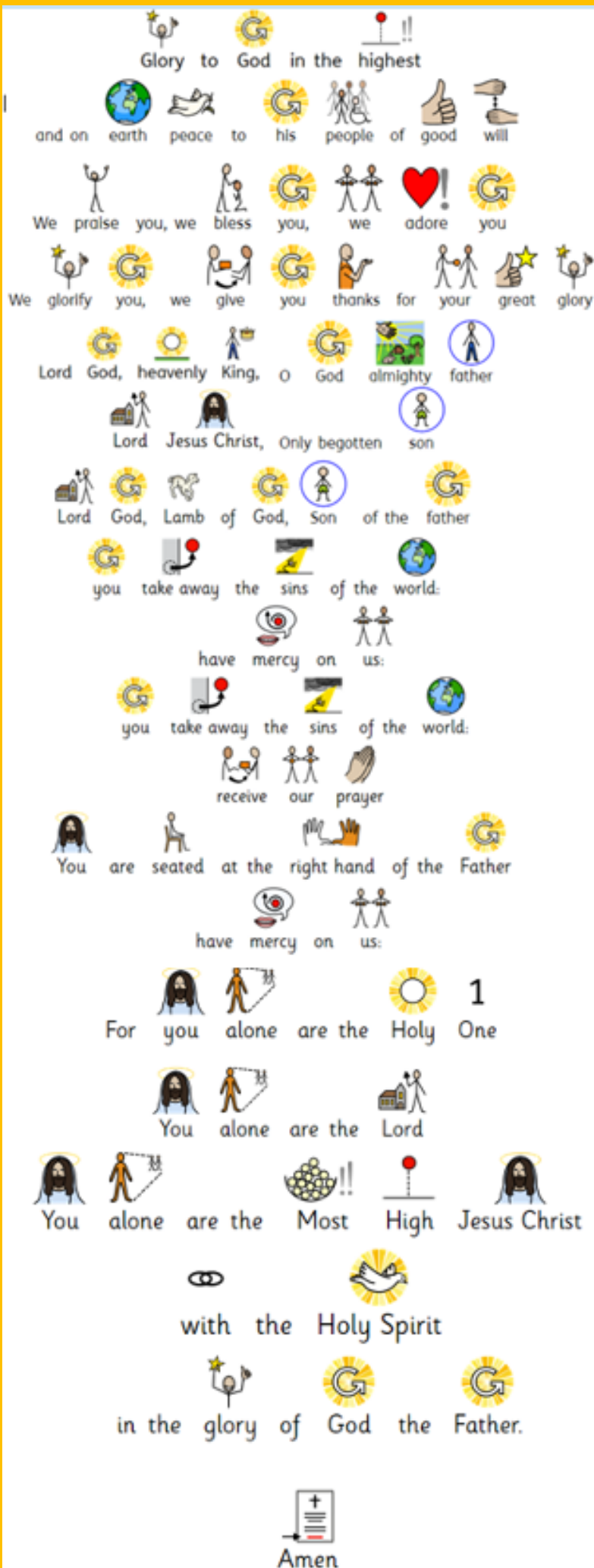
17<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm



**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 July



## The Gloria

Our prayer for July is The Gloria.

It is a prayer of praise that is said at Mass each week so all of our children should try to learn it by heart.

If your child can learn it please make sure they tell their class teacher so they can receive an Headteachers award.

# 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.

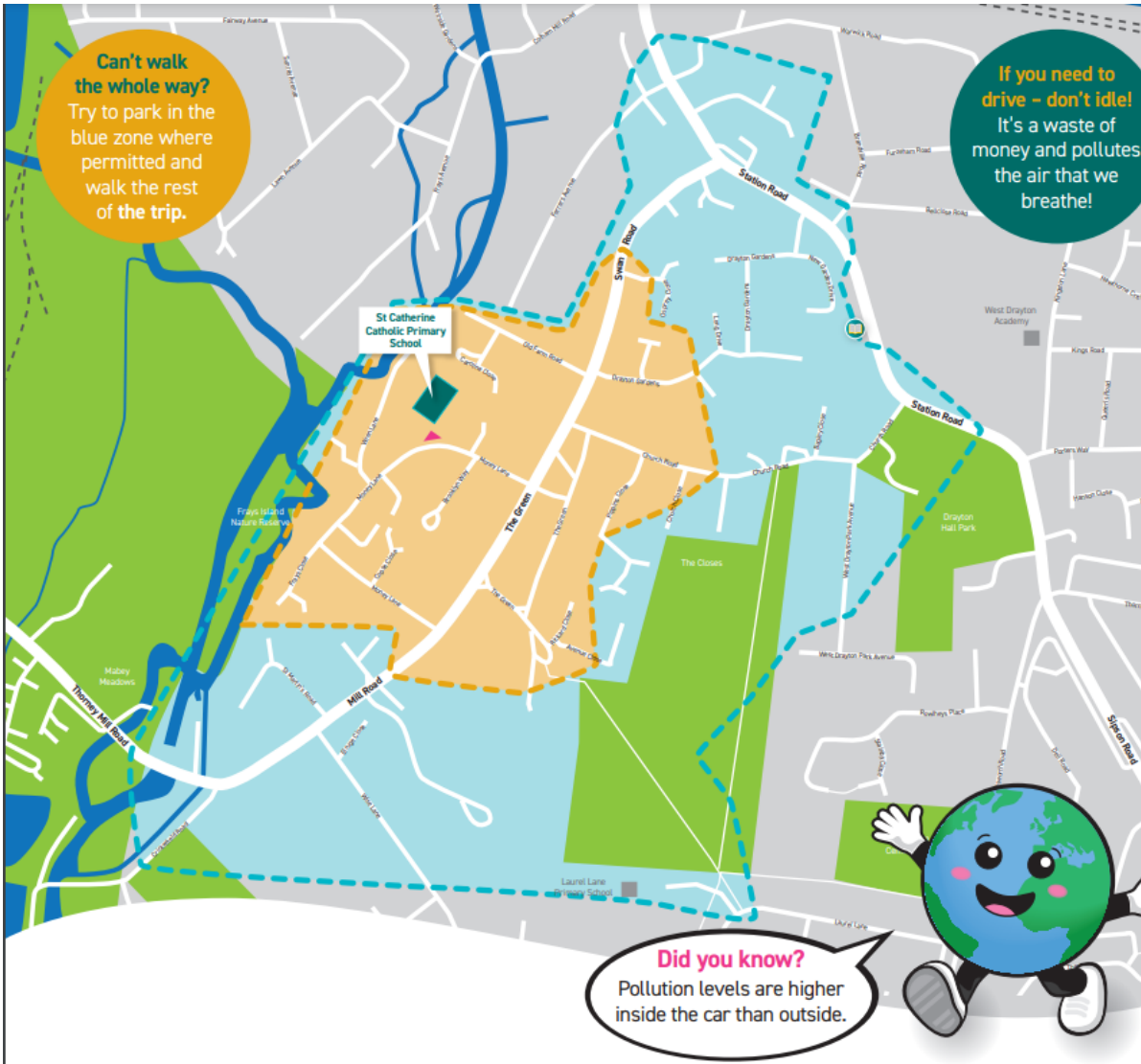
Your children have been introduced to the initiative today and are excited to get going! There are 11 badges to be earned from September 2024 – July 2025. Each badge has been designed by a pupil from across the UK as part of the annual WOW Badge Design Competition. WOW 2024/25 encourages pupils to Walk 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

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

Wednesday 9th July—Yr 5 PGL 2026 information session 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

