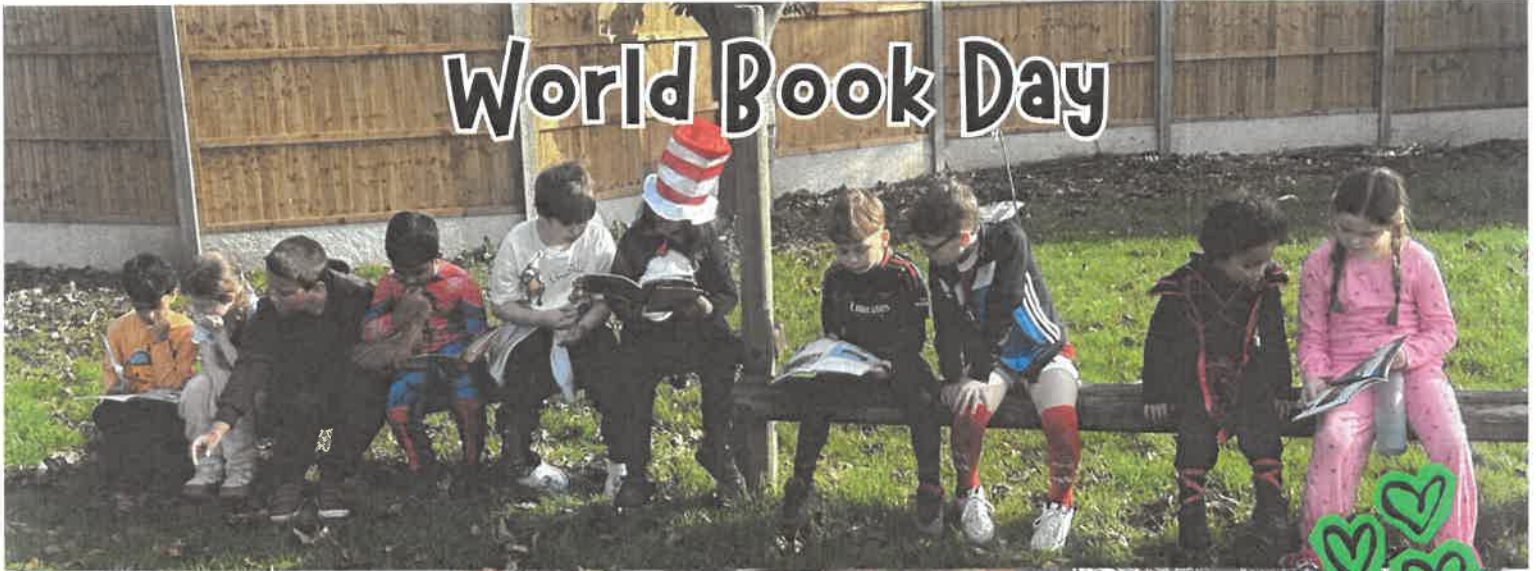




# World Book Day



# School Trips

## Year 1 Visit

This week, Year 1 stepped back in time with a trip to The Milestone Museum in Hampshire. They were able to experience life as it was over 100 years ago and discover how toys have changed.

It was a great day but all the children were glad to be back in 2026.

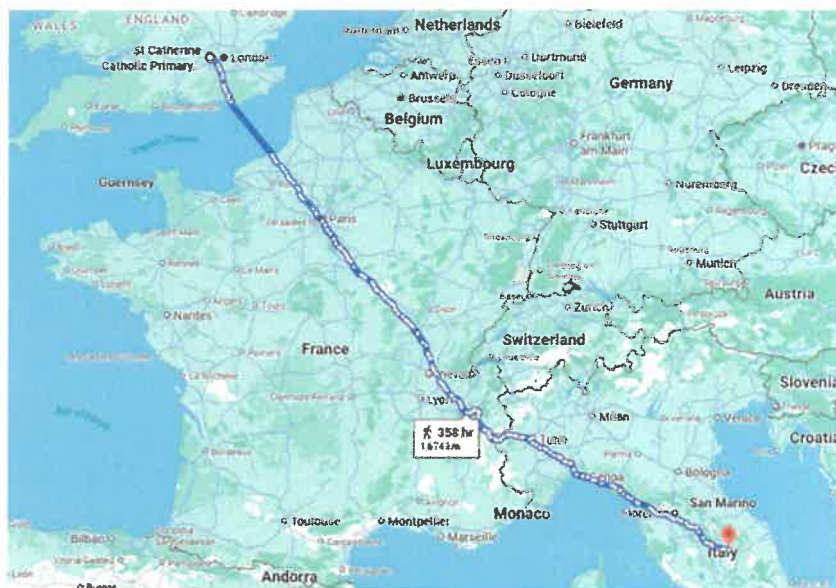


## LENT WALK

This half term children are trying to cover the distance collectively between our school and Assisi in Italy, birthplace of St Francis.

1226 — 2026  
**Franciscus**

To add your donation to our chosen charity 'Mary's Meals', please visit our Justgiving page using the QR code below or visit [www.justgiving.com/page/st-catherine](http://www.justgiving.com/page/st-catherine)



## Parent Governor Vacancy

We are currently require a new parent governor. If you would like more information or think you may be able to help, please contact our Chair of Governors, Micheal O'Brien: [mobrien@stcatherine.co.uk](mailto:mobrien@stcatherine.co.uk)

## Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding at St Catherine, we ask that you note the following information:  
If you have concerns about the welfare of a child in our school please report concerns straight away to the safeguarding staff:

**Mr. Booth** - Headteacher (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

**Mrs. Phaire** - Assistant Head teacher (Deputy Safeguarding Lead)

**Mr. Bryant** - Welfare Officer (Deputy Safeguarding Lead)

If you have concerns about the Headteacher, please contact the Local Authority Designated Officer -

**Hannah Ives** 01895 250975 [hives@hillingdon.gov.uk](mailto:hives@hillingdon.gov.uk)



[office@stcatherine.co.uk](mailto:office@stcatherine.co.uk)



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## PE Uniform

Can we please remind all year groups of the expectations for school PE kit. •

Our school uniform policy states:

Pale blue polo shirt

- Black lace less plimsolls for indoor PE
- Navy shorts for warm weather

Please can we be reminded that cycling shorts on their own are not part of our school PE uniform and should not be worn.

The same standards of PE kit are also expected at any after school clubs where kit is to be worn.

## Upcoming Dates

More information about these dates will be sent to parents of specific year groups closer to the time - these are just some dates for your diary!

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Library visits for Year 3 and 5**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Library visits for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Community Stay and Play**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Year 3,4 5 and 6 Lent Worship (8:40am)

Parents welcome

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February St Patrick's Day - Own clothes day. Children can wear Green, White or Orange in return for a £1 donation to charity.**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Year 6 Way of The Cross 9am.

(Y6 Parents welcome to attend)

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 Class trip**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - KSI Lent Liturgy 2:30pm

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. - Tag Rugby Tournament**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Whole School Lent Mass: 9:30 St Catherine's Parish Church (parents welcome to attend)

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Whole School Walk for Lent**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Reception Easter Liturgy

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

This week's 'top attenders' were Year 3 with an attendance of 98%! A huge well done to you all!

Our whole school target for attendance is 96%. Currently our attendance is 95.5%.

**EVERY DAY COUNTS!**



Parking continues to be an issue at drop off and pick up times with issues for road users, pedestrians and local residents. Please see attached information which has been sent to our school from the local council.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **SCHOOL TRAVEL AND ROAD SAFETY**

## **School Drop-Off and Pick-Up Safety**

We are continuing to receive an increased number of complaints regarding traffic issues at school pick up and drop off times.

The common factors are:

- poor driver behaviour
- lack of consideration for other road users and pedestrians
- illegal/irresponsible parking

Everyone in the community—children, parents and local residents—deserves a safe environment during school pick-up and drop-off times. When individuals take personal responsibility for their behaviour around the school gates, it helps create a safer, more respectful and secure space for all.

Finding a parking space, navigating busy traffic, and maneuvering around pedestrians can be stressful - and stress increases the risk of collisions. Even small changes can make a big difference. If driving is essential, consider parking a little further away from the school and walking the rest of the journey. This helps ease congestion and creates a safer environment for the entire school community. You may also find that, more often than not, this approach is quicker than trying to manage all the challenges right outside the school gates.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## SCHOOL TRAVEL AND ROAD SAFETY



### How to create a safe environment for pick up and drop off at school

Road traffic laws are not optional they are **legal requirements** to keep all road users safe.

#### Drivers

##### School Keep Clear markings

DO NOT STOP on the yellow zig zags, not even for one second. The markings are placed outside school entrances to keep a clear space for pedestrians to cross the road without obstruction.



##### Letting children out of the car

Do not let children out of the car onto the carriageway. This is extremely dangerous. Always ensure children alight onto the pavement and in a suitable space that does not block pavements, driveways or contravene the road traffic laws.



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## SCHOOL TRAVEL AND ROAD SAFETY



### **Pavement parking and double yellow lines**

Driving along pavements and obstructing the pavement is against the road traffic law. Parking on the pavement obstructs the only safe space that pedestrians can walk. Park with all four wheels on the road. If there is insufficient space on the road to park then you must move until you find an appropriate space. Double yellow lines are put along the carriageway to stop vehicles obstructing the road. Parking on the double yellow lines obstructs the flow of traffic and causes frustrations for other road users



### **White zig zags**

It is against the road traffic law to stop on the white zig zag markings even for a second. Stopping here carries an immediate three points on your licence and a £100 fine. These markings are found at controlled crossing places to ensure clear unobstructed view of the crossing for the safety of pedestrians.

### **Dangerous manoeuvres**

Carrying out three point turns and reversing into spaces where children are trying to cross the road puts everyone in danger and creates frustrations for other road users.





# FSCS News



## Valentine's Disco

A massive thank you to all parent volunteers who manned stalls during the event, and of course to all of you who spent money with your children. Well done to Ms Bass, who won the Valentine's hamper.

We are delighted to announce we raised a fabulous.....



## Pancake Flip Fundraiser



Thank you so much for all your support with our events, they will make a great difference to our children's experience at the School.

A special mention to our top fundraiser, Theo in Reception.

Thanks to everyone's efforts in our fundraiser, we have raised this year.....



## Coming up.....





# FSCS News



## Other ways you can raise money for the School

If you are in need of some School parent staples before next term, you may be able to help raise additional funds for the School:



15% of each sale goes to the **FSCS**, as long as you use our unique tracking link, below to access their website:

<http://bit.ly/STAMPUB77NX>

You can get the **StampTastic's Deluxe Bundle** for the same price as the Basic Bundle using our code: **UB77NX**



24% from each order goes to the **FSCS**

Our School ID is **8274**

You must use the school ID above for the School to be credited with your order.

<https://www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=8274>

## First Aid Kits



A first aid kit for parents. Our code is **STCATHERINE**

Use this code at the checkout (as a coupon code) and **£5 per sale goes to the FSCS.**