

# Saint John Wall Catholic School

## A Catholic School For All



### Mission Statement

'To educate each and every unique child in our care to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'



Issue 26

Weekly Information Bulletin

Date: Friday 12 April 2024

Catholic Life - This year we are focusing on 'Year of Live Simply'.  
Termly Theme: Care for Creation  
Termly SJW Values – Curious and Active

**This week in weekly worship...** "We had our Easter service, and it focused on the resurrection of Jesus. During this service, we also thought about our own hopes using the message of the resurrection. Each form group had their own ribbon to put on the cross and these will then be displayed in form rooms on our prayer tables to remind us about our own hopes for our lives".

By Rayna Jassal 9GRE

**This week in Afternoon Prayer...** "We prayed for our new termly values of being **curious and active**. We can become **curious and active** by learning and asking questions in class. We also prayed for individuals who are living with Parkinson's Disease and all those who are sick. We remembered especially Mrs Harms who passed away recently. We also prayed for all those celebrating Vaisakhi and thought about how the festival will be celebrated. Afternoon Prayer is a time for us to reflect and pray for important things that matter to us".

By Priya Kaur 9MAN

### Class Mass

"This week, we attended Mass as a class. The Mass was very peaceful and had a calming atmosphere. Father Subba spoke to us about the importance of always trusting out faith so that we get good grades in schools and continue to be kind individuals".

By Darling Dikoko 9GRE

### Dates to Note

- **Awards Evening – Year 7 & Year 8**  
Wednesday 24 April 2024 – 5pm to 6pm
- **Awards Evening – Years 9, 10 & 11**  
Thursday 25 April 2024 – 5pm to 6pm

### Welcome Back

We hope you all had a restful and happy Easter. As we begin the final term of this academic year, we would just like to remind parents that pupils should be wearing their full school uniform to school everyday.

Attendance and punctuality is vital for your child's learning, so therefore pupils should be arriving to school before the start of the day at 8.50am.

Pupils should also be bringing their equipment to school in a school bag.

By Mrs Crooks



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## Raising Attainment with Wellbeing Gold Award

Since September 2023, we have worked with 'Teaching Times' to further strengthen our inclusive learning environment that supports and nurtures the highest possible levels of emotional wellbeing, accelerating progress and securing better personal outcomes.

We worked with a coach to complete a 'needs analysis' and act on areas identified for development. As a school we were able to demonstrate our progress and were awarded 'gold' for our commitment to both pupil and staff wellbeing. Comments from the company director and our coach included:

*“Incredibly high importance and attention is given to wellbeing at Saint John Wall Catholic School”.*

*“I believe this school is an excellent example of an educational setting being a real champion of wellbeing. They fully deserve a Gold Award”.*

By Miss Guest



### National Wellbeing Award

April 2024

Acknowledging school communities that put wellbeing at the heart of learning, teaching and leadership

Presented to

Saint John Wall Catholic School

By

Dr Nasser Siabi OBE, CEO Microlink PC UK Ltd and Howard Sharron, CEO Teaching Times

This award lasts for three years from the date of issue after which resignation is possible.



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## SJW Supper Club

A reminder of our after-school supper club which started again this week. Here are some key details:

- Monday to Friday every week during term time.
- Pupils do not need to sign-up they just turn up. First come first served, 30 spaces.
- Led by an external company - Bouncing Statistics with support from one of our school pupil coaches.
- 3.15-4.30 enrichment activities e.g. sports, board games, creative activities, jigsaws, homework. Pupils can liaise with Bouncing Statistics staff/ school pupil coach about other activities they would like (Please note- if pupils attend, they will not be able to leave school site until 4.30pm).
- 4.30-4.45 food and drink. This is optional, pupils do not have to stay for this, but it is free of charge.
- If you plan on collecting your child at 4.30pm, please contact the school office, otherwise pupils will be allowed to leave site from 4.30pm.

By Miss Guest



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## School Uniform – Gogna’s

Gogna’s our school uniform provider has provided a direct link to the school’s uniform page on their website. Parents can view and purchase uniform directly from here.

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## Start of Term Services

This week, pupils in Year 7-10 gathered in the hall for their Easter service. Pupils spent some time reflecting on the message of God sending his only Son to be a light in the darkness. The six weeks of Lent prepared us for the resurrection of Jesus and reminded us about the importance of living in hope. Pupils used this message to reflect on what they hope for in their own lives. They left their hopes on our empty cross in the form of ribbons and these ribbons will be displayed in form rooms as a reminder of their hopes. Thank you to all pupils who read, to those who played instruments and took part in our services. Thank you to Mrs Ellis, Mrs Crooks and Miss Antonucci for their support in organising the services.

By Mr Lysaght



## Visit to St Mary’s Coffee Club

After a long Easter break, we were happy to be back at St Mary’s helping out with coffee and tea. Today’s activity was bingo which is always a serious business for the guests. Pupils were lucky to be able to take part along with helping some guests check their numbers. They did very well concentrating under pressure. Next week is Tai Chi.

By Mrs Clayton



## Literacy House Competition

The winners for the Literacy Book Reviews House Competition which took place before Easter are as follows:

Year 7 – Kelly Pham 7BR5

Year 8 – Kavishnan Sanker 8ESM

Year 9 – Erica Agyeman Fosua 9ANT

Year 10 – Alicja Gomes 10RES



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# Year 11 Yearbook

Memories of  
your time  
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Only  
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and  
Photographs

## Class of 2024

**Payments are now being accepted!**

The overall cost of the yearbook is **£14**  
**You can pay in 2 instalments of £7 each.**  
Payment to be made at the school office.

**Deadline: Friday 26 April 2024**



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**Saturday 13th April 2024, 12-2pm**

Join our FREE online Girls in Dance Bootcamp to meet role models from the dance world, discover exciting opportunities & take part in a k-pop class!



**AWA DANCE**

AWA DANCE is a charity dedicated to the leadership development of women and teenage girls, using the transformative power of dance as the tool to empower their voices  
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