



St Hugh of Lincoln
Catholic Primary School
In faith and love, we learn and grow



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Dear parents and carers,

I hope everyone had a lovely half term break and enjoyed the fantastic weather! We've had a great start to the term and our wonderful friend Mr Jones has been building equipment for our reception class again. Over the Easter holidays he built a brilliant mud kitchen for the children and now he's built the children an absolutely fantastic outdoor maths station! Mr Jones is the father in law of our lovely LSA, Mrs Jones, so if any of you know him, please say hello and thank you!



St Hugh Olympics – Kindness challenge



We kicked off our St Hugh Olympics this week with a kindness challenge. This challenge is going to run until the end of term and the children have been busy earning stickers by going out of their way to do something kind for a member of our school family. Being kind is something we value hugely at school and your children are amazing at it.

The points for the challenge so far are:

Nazareth – 68
Bethlehem – 69
Jerusalem - 74

Save your newspapers

The next St Hugh's Olympic challenge has an eco-theme which we'll be talking to the children about on Monday, so look out for more news about that next week. Meanwhile, could I ask you to save any old newspapers you may have for our third challenge we'll be launching on 22nd June which has a design technology theme. (I won't spoil the surprise by saying what it is just yet but if children could bring a newspaper to school with them on 22nd June it would be great!)

Teaching kindness by filling buckets!

As part of our kindness challenge this week, we've been using the analogy of "filling people's buckets," by doing or saying kind things. It's a really powerful way to help children understand the power of kindness and how it relates to happiness. Here's a link to a great film we used at school to explain kindness to the children in case you want to use the same language or ideas at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4O7qIG3Fog>



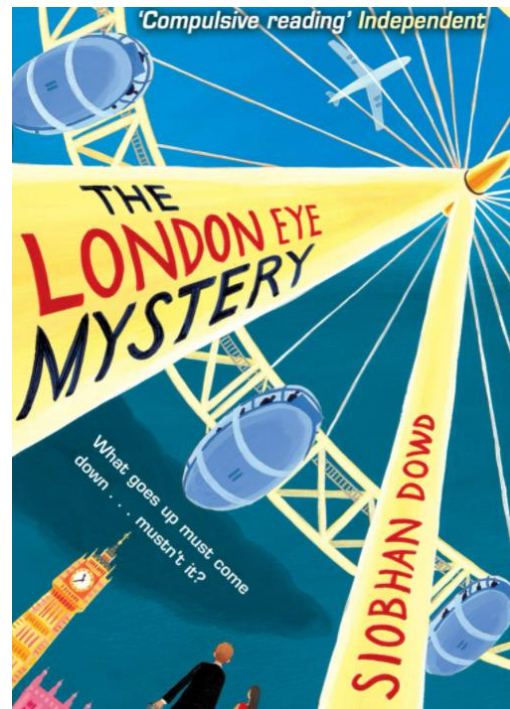
Solar Eclipse

There was a fair bit of cloud yesterday, but year 5 and 6 were still able to go outside to see the solar eclipse using pinhole cameras that they had made to stay safe. Thanks to Mrs Temple for reminding us about it! It's lovely to make the most of an event like that to bring science to life for the children.



Budding journalists in year 5

Year 5 have really been enjoying their class novel, "The London Eye Mystery," by Siobhan Dowd. When I was in their class this week I saw them doing some wonderful hot seating, where the children took turns to sit at the front pretending to be one of the characters in the story while the rest of the class took on the role of journalists asking them questions to try and solve the mystery. I can't wait to read the newspaper reports they're busy writing now.



Sports day

We're not sure whether the school covid regulations are going to be in the coming weeks but we're going ahead with our plans for sports days. Reception and KS1 sports day is planned for Monday 28 June and KS2 is planned for Thursday 1 July. I'm really sorry to have to say that at the minute, I need to plan on the assumption that I won't be able to invite parents. I know many of you will be disappointed, but I promise to look at this again if the school covid regulations change. Whatever happens, please rest assured that we'll all do our very best to make sure the children have a great time and if we can't invite you, we'll share lots of photos!

Covid email

Just a quick reminder that our covid@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk email address is still being monitored during the weekends. Over the last week I know of lots of other children at other schools who have tested positive and bubbles are closing again. I'm not a scientist, but the new Delta variant, does seem to be having an impact on children and those members of the community who haven't been vaccinated so we're still being very vigilant at school. If your child develops any of the covid symptoms, please keep them home and organise for a PCR test (lateral flow tests aren't suitable for symptomatic children). If you, or a member of your family needs to be tested please notify us on the covid email address above.

INSET reminder and multi-sports day camp – 21 June

Planet Soccer are running a Multisports day on Monday 21st June, for all year groups, while the school will be closed for an inset day.

The camp will be run by the children's PE coaches, and will include a variety of fun games and different sports.

For more information or to book follow the link below or contact planet soccer at admin@planet-soccer.info

<https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccercamps/e/ev-swcu-20210621083000>

We hope to see as many of you as possible!

The Planet Soccer Team

Enjoy the lovely weather this weekend. I'm looking forward to wiping the dust off my BBQ!

God bless,
Mrs Harper