



Message from the Headteacher

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control...
(Galatians 5:22-23)

Yet again, we have started this half term celebrating our fantastic pupils and students. After stellar performances in school competitions, a number of pupils in Years 7 and 8 have been selected to represent Wandsworth in the London Schools' Athletics Competition. The success of our Innovate Team has finally gone live on the V&A Museum website, and the winners of the Queen's Portrait competition are announced. I won't ruin the surprise announcement, so do read on to see if your child produced the winning entry!

As a geographer myself, I am delighted field trips have resumed. Year 12 students have been out and about this week in the local area, and next week Year 7 are off to hone their fieldwork skills along the Southbank.

We continue to enjoy a deep and close connection with the former pupils of Wandsworth Boys' School, originally located

on the school site. Les Herbert and Roger Holland, both trustees of the Old Wandsworthians Memorial Trust, visited school with the family of the late Ken Dore, who so kindly bequeathed funds to the school for our therapy dog.

Finally, a request for your support in ensuring uniform standards remain high. Please remind your children they must be in full and correct uniform at all times, including on the journey to and from school. This includes wearing their school blazer and tie, and not wearing hoodies. If there is a forecast of prolonged very hot weather, pupils will be informed they may relax their uniform by removing their blazers.

Thank you for your support and have a joyful week ahead.

God bless,

Renata Joseph
Headteacher

Chaplain's Corner

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and that you enjoyed the Platinum Jubilee celebrations over the long bank holiday weekend.

In the Christian calendar, last Sunday (5th June) was Pentecost Sunday - the celebration of when God kept His promise and sent the Holy Spirit to live in ordinary everyday believers. On Wednesday, our pupils and students (except Years 11 and 13) had the chance to visit local churches for Worship in the Community to hear more about the significance of this day and the difference the Holy Spirit makes (see pictures).



In our Collective Worship this half term, we will focus on the Fruits of the Spirit as our theme. We started with 'Love' this week.

'Love is the selfless, giving, devoted love of God and others. It's an active display and compels us to put others' needs above our own. Love honours others and celebrates truth no matter how difficult it

is to hear it. It gives of self even when it doesn't feel like it. Love doesn't allow feelings to dictate its choices. Love is hopeful, persevering, and trusting. Loving people keep hatred, apathy, and self-preservation far from them.' (Youversion Bible)



Many blessings to you in the week ahead.

Alex Shoderu
School Chaplain

Jubilee Celebrations

On Friday 27th May we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with our special art-based House event. Pupils and students submitted pieces of art of their own creation, and these were judged by Mrs Joseph. Everyone who entered a piece of artwork were invited to have cake with the Headteacher, whilst having a chance to look at the other entries.

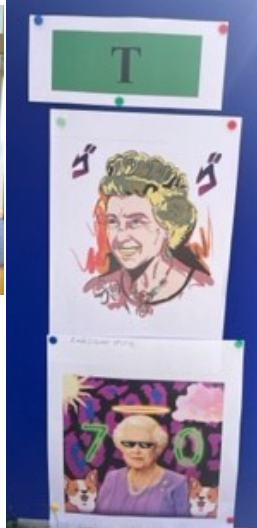
We would like to say a huge thank you to all the pupils and students who helped to make this event a huge success!

Official Results:

- 1st: Schubert **Sura** (Year 7)
- 2nd: Ives **Miyian** (Year 9)
- 3rd: Newton **Joel** (Year 7)
- 4th: Carter **Evie** (Year 7)
- 5th: Archimedes **Daniel** (Year 9)
- 6th: Turing **Zach** (Year 7)



Sura's winning portrait (left)



Francisco Jimenez Aranda
Teacher of MFL and Newton House Leader



Mathematically Minded

Best selling maths author Dr Simon Singh, MBE, is on a mission to increase the number and diversity of excellent mathematicians. He runs the website: <https://parallel.org.uk/> and each week, for a limited period is running specific events for different age groups that are free. For the mathematically curious, please encourage your child to log on and have a look.

parallel
by Simon Singh

First Intermediate Parallel Circle (45 mins, ages 13-16) 📅 Sunday, 12th June 2022 5:00 PM BST

First Junior Parallel Circle (45 mins, ages 11-13) 📅 Sunday, 12th June 2022 6:00 PM BST

First Primary Parallel Circle (30 mins, ages 9-11) 📅 Monday, 13th June 2022 5:00 PM BST

First Senior Parallel Circle (60 mins, ages 16-18) 📅 Monday, 13th June 2022 6:00 PM BST

Intermediate Parallel Circle (45 mins, ages 13-16) 📅 Sunday, 19th June 2022 5:00 PM BST

Sohang Tang
Teacher of Mathematics

Saint Cecilia's innovators feature in V&A film

We have now been sent the official film from the V&A National Schools Innovation Challenge. Please click on the link to see 'Team Manyen' who feature. It is a brilliant reflection of a creative project undertaken by some outstanding budding entrepreneurs and eco warriors. Well done to the team: **Zach, Sophia, Sura, Bianca, Tintin, and Shayden** in Year 7, and **Patrick** in Year 9.

<https://youtu.be/w0UfBGxnNyM>

Victoria England
Teacher of Art and Design



Artist of the Week

This is a lampshade designed and made by **Tori** in Year 10. **Tori** painted and embellished teabags and then handstitched them to create this very effective piece. Definitely my Artist of the Week.



Victoria England
Teacher of Art and Design

Year 12 Geography Students out and about



Year 12 geographers have started to think about the Non-Examined Assessment component of the A Level course. This week, they have been trialling a range of geographical fieldwork techniques including Clone Tone Surveys, Environmental Quality Surveys, Shopping Basket Surveys and Psychogeography. They have spent some time comparing Southfields and Wimbledon Park and spent a day looking at the regeneration of Battersea Power Station.

Jo Osborn
Teacher of Geography and Year Leader for Years 12 and 13



School Therapy makes an impact



Ken, our school therapy dog, was visited by Dave Dore on Tuesday 7th June. Dave donated the money to the school to enable us to purchase Ken, in memory of his father Ken. Ken Dore lived locally and was a pupil at Wandsworth School, which was previously on the site that Saint Cecilia's School was built on 19 years ago. Dave is a firm advocate for the importance of prioritising care of mental health in children. He was accompanied on his visit to the school by two ex-Wandsworth pupils, Les Herbert and Roger Holland, who are regular visitors. It was an emotional moment as Dave met Ken for the first time and was delighted to learn about the important role Ken already plays in our school community.

Ken comes into the school once a week to spend as much time as he can in the Bethany Centre as well as meeting staff and pupils.

Andy Barrett
Premises Manager

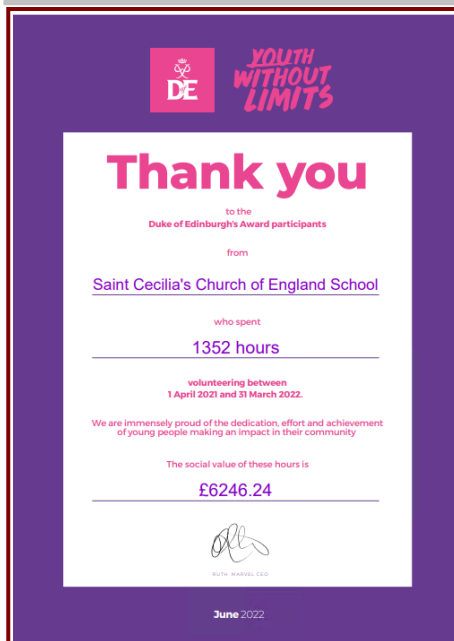
Best in Chelsea Flower Show

Every year exhibitors at Chelsea Flower Show generously donate plants and flowers to worthy causes and communities once the show is over. We are delighted that Heather Ring, Founder and Director at Wayward Plants, arranged for us to receive a wonderful collection that has already been planted around the school. Visit wayward.co.uk to see their stand at Chelsea.



Andy Barrett
Premises Manager

Vast Volumes of Volunteering



We are very pleased to have received an email from the head office of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award regarding the social impact of our DofE pupils at Saint Cecilia's. Each year, they total the amount of volunteering hours from Bronze, Silver, and Gold participants and assess how much those hours might be worth, creating social value. Our pupils have done numerous activities to help our communities, whether it was helping with a club at school, litter-picking in a local park, helping at their church, or even working in libraries and charity shops. We are so grateful for the people who have given them these opportunities and I am sure that volunteering in particular, has helped our pupils and students grow and find their own value in making their community a little bit better.

Our certificate reads: "We are so proud that pupils and students from **Saint Cecilia's Church of England School** dedicated **1,352** hours to volunteering between April 2021 and March 2022, with a social value of **£6,246.24**."

This is an incredible achievement and we hope that you are as proud of them as we are!

Rachel Skinner and David Sugden
DofE Coordinators

Year 7 and 8 Athletes

Congratulations to the following Year 7 and 8 pupils for being selected to represent Wandsworth at the London Schools Athletics Competition at Battersea Park this coming weekend. They were selected due to their impressive performances at the Wandsworth Athletics competition last month. It is a great achievement to have pupils from Years 7 and 8 at Saint Cecilia's being chosen. We wish them all the best of luck in the next round.

100m: **Ella**

800m: **Elizabeth**

Long Jump: **Ella**

Hurdles: **Henry**

100m: **Nashorn**

200m: **Amaru**

Long Jump: **Nahshon**

Hurdles: **Sebastian**

Shot Put: **Harry**

Harriet Field

Teacher of PE

Open Days for Year 7 Admission 2023

If you have a child in primary and would like to attend an open event for Year 7 entry in September 2023, our dates have just been announced:

Monday 4th July 9am - noon

Thursday 15th September 5 - 8pm

Monday 19th September 9am - noon

Monday 10th October 9am - noon

These events will be ticketed so we can manage the number of visitors to our school. Tickets will be free and bookable via our Eventbrite page. We will open the bookings in June 2022, when our new prospectus will also be published. Please join [our mailing list on our admissions webpage](#) to be sent an alert when these are live.

Please share these details with friends, family or neighbours who are looking for secondary schools for their children.

Kelly Turner
Marketing

Call for Volunteers!



Volunteers needed – Various Events June – July 2022

We need your **HELP** with the following upcoming events:

Parents Welcome BBQ Year 6 (Year 7 2022) – 16th June 2022

Secondhand Uniform Sale – Date TBC

Summer Concert – 7th July 2022

You can access the volunteer sheet via this [link](#).

Let's make these last few events special.

Any amount of time will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your help supporting the school community in this way.



My Fair Lady Trip - Wednesday 22nd June

There are still a few spaces left to see the highly acclaimed musical 'My Fair Lady' at the London Coliseum on the evening of Wednesday 22nd June. If you would like your child to attend, please email me at jwells@saintcecilias.london by Monday 13th June and I will arrange for the trip to appear on ParentPay for you. The reduced price is £27.50 for extremely good seats!

Places are very limited!

John Wells
Curriculum Team Leader for Music

Year 7 Geography Field Trip Reminder

As part of our Key Stage 3 Geography curriculum, all pupils are required undertake in fieldwork exercises during their first three years in secondary school. This important piece of work focuses on a variety of tasks around the school and local Southfields area to develop investigative skills. In addition to this, we are running a one-day field trip to the Southbank in central London to investigate the role of tourism there.

Pupils will be surveying the local area to investigate what tourist sites exist on the Southbank, and will quantify their popularity. This will require pupils to complete field sketches, count pedestrian flows, engage in questionnaires with tourists and undertake evaluative observations to help them to draw conclusions of tourism provision in London.

Each class will be going on a separate date as detailed below. I would be grateful if parents could check ParentPay for the relevant permission slips, which need to be completed and returned.

7E – Monday 13th June
7G – Tuesday 14th June
7H – Wednesday 15th June
7P – Thursday 16th June
7R – Monday 20th June
7J – Thursday 23rd June

David Iannarelli
Teacher of Geography and Ives House Leader

Activities Week 2022 - Payment and Permission Reminder



Activities Week: 11th - 15th July 2022

- Ride the rollercoasters at Chessington World of Adventures Years 7 - 10
- Craft some pottery to take home in the pottery masterclass Years 7 - 10
- Enjoy Hollywood Bowl Tolworth and an afternoon at the Wetlands Centre Year 7
- Play in the Inter-House Rounders Tournament Years 8 - 10
- Catch a movie at Cineworld, Southside Years 7 - 10
- Go bowling and play street golf at Gravity, Southside Years 8 - 10
- Compete in the Inter-House Sports Day in Wimbledon Park Years 7 - 10

Book on ParentPay from 5th April

Saint Cecilia's Church of England School

This is a reminder to ensure you have given your permission for your child to participate in Activities Week via ParentPay. Please ensure your payments are up to date.

Activities Week will take place between Monday 11th and Friday 15th July and is an opportunity for the school community to come together and celebrate the end of the academic year. The activities will involve pupils being out of school for part or all of the day. Between Monday and Thursday, year groups will be able to:

- ◆ Ride rollercoasters at Chessington World of Adventures
- ◆ Go bowling and play street golf at Gravity in Wandsworth (Years 8–10)
- ◆ Enjoy Hollywood Bowl Tolworth and an afternoon at the London Wetlands Centre (Year 7)
- ◆ Craft some pottery to take home in the pottery masterclass
- ◆ Catch a movie at Cineworld in Wandsworth
- ◆ Play in an inter-house rounders competition

The whole school community will come together on Friday 15th July to take part in our annual Sports Day held at Wimbledon Park.

Andy Gillespie
Assistant Headteacher

Upcoming Event Reminders

- **13th -16th June, 20th and 23rd June:** Year 7 Geography Field trips
- **Thursday 16th June:** Astronomy Club trip (Years 9 and 10) to the Greenwich Observatory from 8.50am to 4.30pm
- **Thursday 16th June:** Putney High School to visit for Debate Club from 3:30 - 5:30pm
- **Wednesday 22nd June:** Years 7-12 trip to London Coliseum to see *My Fair Lady*
- **Thursday 23rd June:** Year 7 trip to Mexican Genius' Immersive Exhibition
- **Thursday 23rd June:** Year 9 trip to Wimbledon Synagogue
- **Friday 24th June:** Year 13 Prom at The London Rowing Club from 7pm-midnight
- **Wednesday 29th June:** Year 11 Prom on a cruise from Millbank Pier leaving at 6.45pm and returning 10.30pm