



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 19th December 2025

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in the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of all the staff, thank you for all your support this term and your kind words and gifts this week. We do not expect it at all, but they are very much appreciated :-)

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year and looking forward to seeing you all back at school on **Monday 5th January 2026**.

Ms Dyson (Head of School) and Ms. Richardson (Executive Headteacher)

An important deadline! If you or someone you know would like a place in our Reception class for September 2026 then applications must be made by **15th January 2026**. Applications to Reception must be made through eadmissions.org.uk and a separate school application form handed in. Please remind your friends about applying for Reception if this applies to their child. Encourage them to name our fantastic school! Do phone the office on **0207 267 1200** if you have any questions. We are always happy to help :-). An admissions policy and application form can also be picked up from the school office or on our website— www.stpatricks.camden.sch.uk



Year 3 visited the **Natural History Museum** to take part in a **Dinosaur Dig** workshop. The children became Palaeontologists for the day, finding unmarked fossils and using identification charts to discover what remains they had. They had to carefully brush away the dirt to ensure they wouldn't damage the fossil, whilst still uncovering enough identifiable features. We then explored the Marine Fossil exhibit and learnt more about Mary Anning – she was only twelve when she discovered a complete fossil of the Ichthyosaur on a Dorset beach! The children had a wonderful day and were perfect role models for St. Patrick's.

I have received and read the St Patrick's Primary School newsletter of 19.12.2025

Signed _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

(PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Important dates for your diary...

22nd December to 2nd January — Christmas holidays. School is closed.

5th January —Pupils back at school. Start of Spring Term

Monday 12th January—'Celebration of the Word' in Class with Year 6 parents.

Wednesday 14th January—Year 3 to British Museum

Thursday 15th—Year 4 to National Gallery

Thursday 15th January—deadline to apply for places in Reception starting September 2026

Monday 19th January—'Celebration of the Word' in Class with Year 5 parents.

Friday 30th January—Non Uniform Day (please remember your donations to our school charities)

Thursday 5th February—Year 6 to virtual farm

Friday 6th February—MOVIE AFTERNOON / MOVIE NIGHT

Monday 9th February —'Celebration of the Word' in Class with Year 3 parents.

Wednesday 11th February—Year 6 to theatre

16th February to 20th February — Half Term Holiday. School is closed.

23rd February — Pupils back at school.

Everyone at some point in their life will struggle with something. If you're affected right now with anxiety, depression, trauma, grief, overwhelm, anger or relationship issues, I can help.

Counselling helps people to quickly figure out their present challenges, get clear on what to change and how, and then bravely take first steps to repair, rebuild or transform their life going forward. I'm Juliette Jackson a counsellor and psychotherapist (HG.Dip.P) www.juliettejackson.co.uk.

I work with parents and carers like you from your child's school for no charge.

Booking a session is easy ☐

Text me on 07887553124 or e mail me juliette@juliettejackson.co.uk and I'll get back to you.

Our School Prayer for the Fourth Sunday of Advent...

Lord, keep your angel by my side
To care for me and be my guide
To be my friend throughout the years
And keep me safe from harm and fears
To stay with me each night
and day,
So from your love I never
stray.
Amen



Attendance...

We are delighted to announce that the winners with the best attendance again this week are **EYFS (YN and YR)** with an amazing **99%**.



As a reward, they will receive some extra play time next week.

Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are really too unwell to come to school. **Every day counts and children who miss school fall behind in their learning.**

Work of the week...

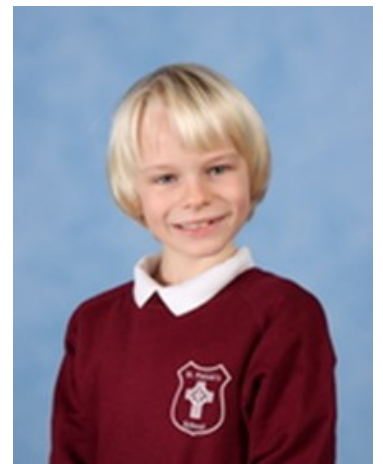
Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).



This week, **Year 3** have been reading different poems written by **Valerie Bloom**. Specifically, we have been focusing on "The People Next Door"

Aleksander has written a fantastic setting description about stepping foot into the neighbour's spooky house after being invited for dinner. He has used a range of fronted adverbials as well as expanded noun phrases to paint a clear picture in the reader's mind. He wrote about different senses to 'show not tell' what it was like at the house.

Well done, Aleksander!
Your hard work has paid off!



Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Ms Dyson or Mr Magill.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.



Christmas 2025 at St Patrick's...

