

# St Edward's Newsletter 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## Odd Socks Day





Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique! Staff and children joined in the fun and came to school wearing different coloured socks. Some of our children went one step further and made their own socks using pieces of different coloured fabrics. Take a look at our fantastic photos.







#### Commonwealth Choir

In collaboration with other schools, 82 children form part of the Commonwealth choir. Over the past few weeks the children have been practising at St Edward's for a song that will be recorded. The song was written by NHS nurses to teach children all over the Commonwealth how to brush their teeth and the importance of oral hygiene. We look forward to seeing the choir perform at many important events in the coming year.



A huge thank you to everyone in our school community who helped raise the phenomenal amount of £1332.43 in support of Endemetriosis UK. An amazing achievement and we are sure that the money will provide support to those women suffering from this debilitating condition.



#### Langdon Academy Sport Partnership

KS2 Year 3/4 Mixed Handball Competition Wednesday 15th November 2023 @Langdon Academy

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#### The Competition Intent Increase regular participation and motivation



#### **Excellence Through Competition**

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 4 Handball team consisting of Stephanie, Elise, Niyah Rose, Wuroala, Dylan, Lij, Ka-Dair, Chidera, Jacob and Jayden who came top of the group and beat St Antony's in the final. What an achievement.



### Make A Noise About Bullying

During Anti- Bullying Week the children took part in a number of different activities. One of them was workshops delivered by our West Ham partners where children learnt about building resilience and what they can do to stop bullying as well as helping those who are victims. The children looked at famous figures such as Harry Kane who have overcome challenging situations and learned about how to seek support and advice.



## Sir Stephen Timms

St Edward's were honoured to welcome Sir Stephen Timms MP to school on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November. Sir Stephen had a tour of the school led by our Head Boy and Head Girl and their deputies. During an assembly Sir Stephen talked about his job and what inspired him to become an MP in Newham. The children had prepared some questions which Sir Stephen happily answered. It was a wonderful experience enjoyed by staff and pupils. Some of our Year 6 children were honoured to receive their chaplaincy team ties and sporting trophies from Sir Stephen himself. We look forward to welcoming Sir Stephen back in the spring term.













Year 1 went to the Theatre Royal in Stratford to watch Jack and the Beanstalk. The children had a fantastic time and really enjoyed joining in with the songs and dancing along. A pantomime is an excellent way for children to understand the art of storytelling and the visual element really helps them understand how stories are written as well as learning that all stories have a special message.





Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – whole school mass in church – 10.30 am

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS and KS1 Disco – 4.30 pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol Concert in church – 1.45 pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – PTA Christmas Raffle

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – last day of term – ALL children go home at 1.15 pm, Nursery go home at 11.45 am

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – ALL children return to school for start of spring term

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January – Beginning of term whole school mass – 10.30 am

PLEASE NOTE - These dates may be subject to change



