



St. Edward's NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/ Carers and the St Edward's Family

It is such a pleasure to be sending you this final newsletter of the year, as it is packed with the wonderful achievements and events that our children have enjoyed this Summer term.

It is so nice to see that we have been able to celebrate activities across the whole school, from our eldest children in Y6, all the way to our Nursery children. The pandemic did restrict us over the last couple of years, but this year we have held events like our Graduation, Achievement Awards, Y6 Prom, Science Selfies and Teddy Bears' Picnic. So it's business as usual at St Edward's. Plus our choir have continued to be amazing this year, taking part in a whole host of prestigious Royal Jubilee celebrations. Also, our Sports teams have won a whole series of trophies and taken part in numerous events. Plus our PTA have been absolutely brilliant in putting together so many great fundraisers.

I am delighted to tell you that we have achieved a wonderful set of results in 'End of Year' Formal Assessments. The data will be officially published in the Autumn term, but I can tell you that we have scored very highly in Y6 Sats, Y2 Sats, Y1 Phonics and Reception Profiles. Plus, we did extremely well in the new Y4 multiplication test and we achieved the 'Inclusion Quality Mark' for the whole school.

I thank you for all of your support this year and to all of our staff for these wonderful achievements and for making St Edward's such a fun place to be. I know that we can continue to achieve great things at St Edward's working together with you for all of our children.

So I wish you a lovely summer and we look forward to our new year in September.

God Bless

*Paul Underwood
Headteacher*



Congratulations to Miss Taylor

Congratulations to Miss Taylor who will be getting married during the summer holidays. We wish Miss Taylor every happiness as she embarks on this journey of marital bliss. Have a wonderful day and we look forward to welcoming you back as Mrs McLellan in September. Best Wishes from your St Edward's family.

Goodbye to Ms Cox

Ms Cox joined St Edwards at the start of the pandemic and fulfilled her role as a Teaching Assistant primarily in Early Years. Through her expertise and knowledge, Ms Cox supported the children in achieving their goals as well as encouraging them to develop their independence. We thank you Ms Cox for all your hard work and wish you every success and happiness as you move on in your career journey. We hope that you have enjoyed your time at St Teddie's. Good Luck and God Bless.



Goodbye to Mr Poon

Mr Poon's association with St Edward's goes back many years having first joined as a teacher in 1997 working in the old school. Through the first few years, Mr Poon taught children in a range of different classes and quickly took on the role of a subject leader before becoming an Assistant Head and an Acting Deputy Head. Mr Poon taught many children some of who are now adults themselves. They often come back to St Edward's to visit or complete a work placement and recall fond memories of being in Mr Poon's class.

In 2003, Mr Poon decided to explore other areas of education and joined UEL to work with their team on training teachers. After a number of years, Mr Poon became an ITT Lead with PLS and continued with his passion for developing teachers for the future now also returning to St Edward's as part of the Teaching School team.

Alongside his teacher training pursuit Mr Poon continued his Tai Chi lessons. His Tai Chi academy goes from strength to strength and Mr Poon has even made it to ITV very recently displaying his Tai Chi skills on Kate Garraway's Good Stuff show.

Mr Poon is now reducing his role at PLS to concentrate more on his Tai Chi enterprise and although he will be leaving St Edward's we will still see him in school as part of his teacher training role.

We thank you Mr Poon for your commitment and service to St Edward's over the last 20 years.

We wish the very best of luck, God Bless!

Dear Year 6,

You have been an absolute pleasure to teach and you are a truly great cohort! We all wish you every success in the future. You will very much be in our thoughts and prayers as you take the next step in your lives. There is an exciting world of learning and exploration that is about to start. We want you to keep in touch with us and tell us about the many successes you will go on to have. Thank you, for all that you are and have brought to St Edward's.

God bless you all.... St Edward's Class of 2022!



**STAY
classy.**
ST. EDWARD'S
YEAR 6
LEAVERS 2022



The school held a prestigious graduation ceremony for the pupils in Year 6 on Wednesday 6th July. Every child wore their special St Edward's graduation gown and Mr Underwood read out every child's individual speech. These speeches reflected the children's personal journey and were very emotional, as well as including some funny school moments. Every child got the opportunity to pose for a photo with the Year 6 staff. As part of the graduation ceremony, Mrs Casely led an achievement awards ceremony and some children were presented with trophies for their exceptional commitment to the school. These varied from prefect awards to awards for effort and commitment to the school. It was lovely seeing so many parents in attendance for this event and we were very grateful that this could be held face-to-face and not virtual, like last year due to the pandemic. The event ended with a buffet for parents and children which was supplied by the PTA. The graduation was truly a lovely ceremony and enjoyed by all!

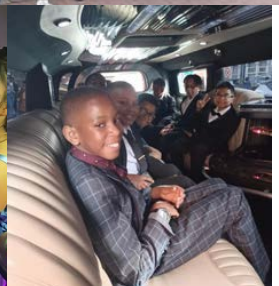
MRS CASELY, MR HARMER AND MR CALLENDER-FERRIER



"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"



Year 6 dazzled on the dancefloor at their prom held at Crowne Plaza. They arrived in style and were greeted by Mrs Casely, Mr Harmer and Mr Morgan at the door. Emma, our wonderful photographer held a photoshoot for each child before entering the prom. Children partied the night away and there was even a special award ceremony whereby the children had voted for these nominations. The whole night was a resounding success and numerous St Edward's staff attended. We would like to thank Friends of St. Teddy's in particular for organising this phenomenal event



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The Children Commonwealth Choir performed two songs at the Guildhall. The children also performed for 3 nights at the 'Beating the Retreat' ceremony at Horse Guard's Parade. It was a magnificent evening and a beautiful end to our academic year.

MRS DOURADO-ALFONSO



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Teddy Bear Picnic

On Friday 8th July Seedlings hosted their first ever Teddy Bears' Picnic.

The children made 'teddy bear' invitations for their parents who came along to share a picnic lunch with their children. The children enjoyed lots of tasty goodies, and music, fun and games in the sunshine. We finished it all off with a tasty ice lolly! What a huge success!

Mrs Morgan would like to thank all parents for coming along to share this memorable event with us.

A special thanks to: Karen from John Lewis for her generous donations of time and decorations.




 The graphic features the word 'SCIENCE' in large, colorful, block letters, each with a different colored pushpin (green, blue, red, yellow, white, green, red) pinned to its top. To the left of the word is a stylized atomic model with a red nucleus and three yellow electrons orbiting in blue elliptical paths. Below 'SCIENCE' is the word 'Selfie' in a large, black, cursive font, and 'COMPETITION' in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

SCIENCE

Selfie COMPETITION

A huge thank you to all the children who participated and sent in entries to our school's yearly

'Science Selfie' competition.

We had over 100 examples of science occurring outside and at home and it was truly amazing to see how engaged and enthusiastic the children were!

The winners were:

Year 2 - Janelle

Year 1 - Mason

Year 4 - Saim

Year 2 - Alise

Year 1 - Stephanie

Reception - Patrick

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Callender-Ferrier
Science Lead



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On Sunday 15th May 2022 15 members of our school sang as part of the Her Majesty's Children's Commonwealth Choir at the Windsor Horse Show as part of the Queen's 70th, Platinum Jubilee celebrations that was televised live on ITV and viewed by over a billion people. The BBC has also been in touch and were so impressed with our children's performance that invited them to perform on a Breakfast TV special show

A sincere congratulations to them,
we are extremely proud of them all.

To watch the full performance, click the link below:

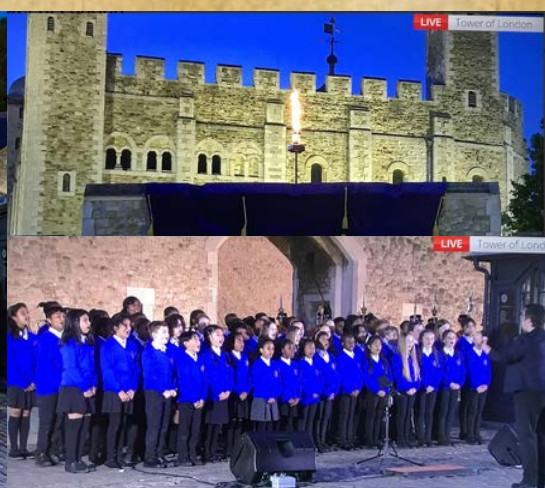
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On a separate occasion, the children from St Edward's and St Winefride's had the honour of performing at the beacon lighting ceremony at the Tower of London as part of the Commonwealth Children's Choir.

Following the lighting of the beacon the children sang a song for the Commonwealth commissioned specifically for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, their performance was televised live on Sky News.

Well done to all of our children on their fantastic performance.



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Pupil Parliament were invited to attend a Clean Air Day Awareness Event, at Newham Dockside, Thursday 16th June.

The day was about learning how we, especially children, can protect themselves and the environment from air pollution and take positive action.

Pupil Parliament had the opportunity to drive Formula E simulators, make a nutritious smoothie by using bicycle power. They also participated in an Air Pollution and Me presentation, focusing on Asthma and Lungs, which was opened by the Mayor of Newham, Rokhsana Fiaz. Prizes were given to the children and Shuya won a Boss gift set for the correct answer to a Formula E quiz. All the children walked away with a Boss athleisure hat and t-shirt, Formula E keyring and miniature race car.

Well done Pupil Parliament!



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Your Speak out. Stay safe. certificate

Awarded to:

St Edward's Catholic Primary School

A massive thank you and a big well done to all pupils for being such great listeners and taking part in Speak out. Stay safe. with Buddy.



Peter Wanless
Chief Executive

Date: 27th June 2022

Thank you for
helping to keep
more children safe!



NSPCC

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EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

As the UK's largest children's charity, the NSPCC are committed to making sure that they help schools around the country keep their pupils safe. The aim of the NSPCC is to empower and help children and to provide teachers all across the UK with the tools to do that because we know that through working together, the NSPCC and the whole school community can have a tremendous impact in preventing abuse and keeping children and young people safe.

Due to the effects of the Covid pandemic, one element of the NSPCC's service is the online 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme. As part of our safeguarding procedures, the school delivered the online assemblies to the different year groups for children from Reception to Year 6. These assemblies have been specifically designed and adapted depending on the age of the children. The assemblies were delivered in a child-friendly manner to inform the children about speaking out, staying safe and getting help when they need it. Children should also know the trusted adults they can speak to if they are sad or are worried about something.

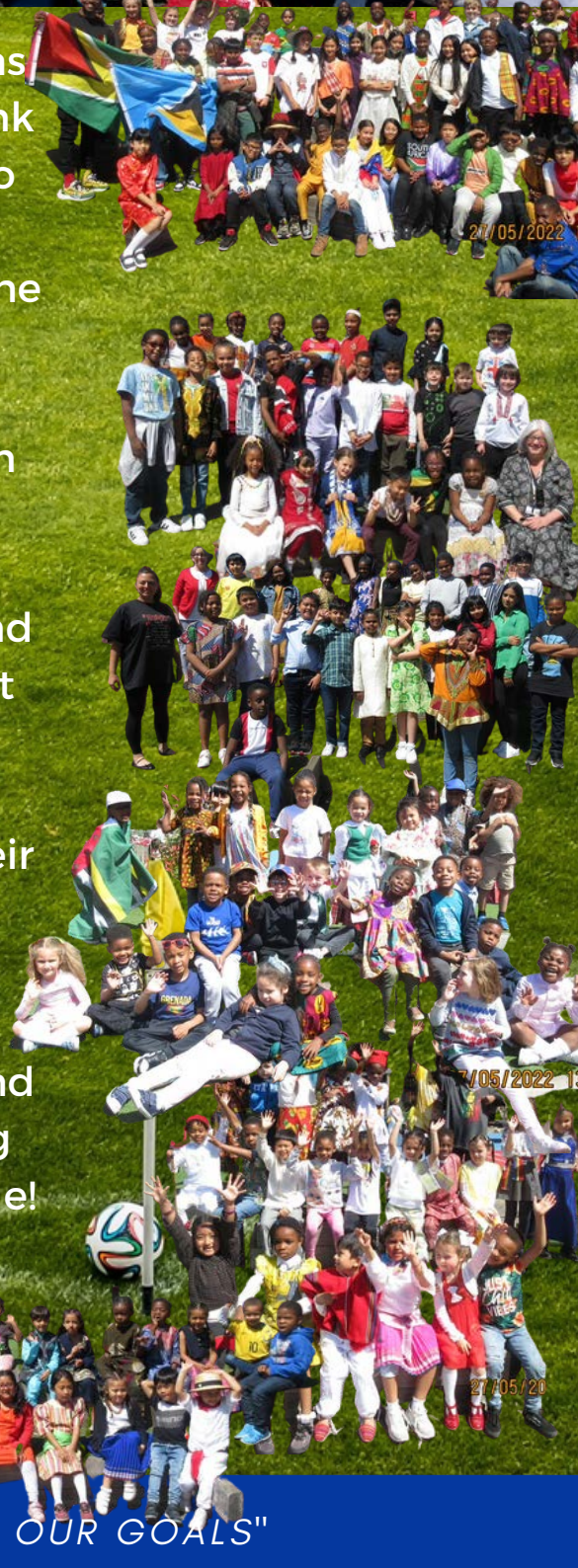
The children were introduced to Buddy who is represented as a speech bubble signifying that children can use their voice. Buddy tells the children about different types of abuse and what rights they have. The children really enjoyed taking part in the assemblies and did some follow-up lessons and activities when they went back to class.

Once the assemblies have been completed the NSPCC presents schools with a certificate as a reward for the children and recognition of the work the school does to ensure that their children stay safe and are well informed of key issues.



International Day was a huge success - thank you to everyone who participated in our food sharing event. The food as always was delicious!

The children had fun researching facts about various countries from around the world, looking at art and religion, designing flags and had a quiz to test their knowledge. The children looked amazing in their traditional clothes and enjoyed showcasing this during our parade!



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Friday 27th May to celebrate
International Day!

For young people, teachers, group leaders and parents, PGL is the UK's leading outdoor education provider, delivering inspirational learning through adventure.

There are lots of PGL sites in the UK. Our Year 6 pupils went to Windmill Hill in Sussex.



The Year 6 pupils stayed in small groups of around 6 in cabins like the one in the picture. We had bunk beds and our own toilet and shower. We were in charge of looking after and tidying our rooms (some of us did this better than others...)

Even the teachers had to share! The walls were quite thin! So they learned lots about the pupils next door.



Year 6's favourite activities!

Raft Building



Camp fire with marshmallows and singing!



Wall climbing



Climbed Jacob's Ladder



Our Year 6 had a fantastic time all around and experienced happy memories to take with them and treasure.

Plenty of photos are available in the website which can be accessed via the link below:

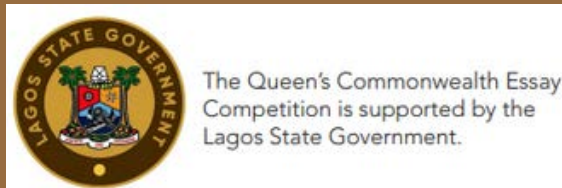
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DIOCESAN CITIZENSHIP AWARD



We are delighted to announce that Haniya Ahmed won the Good Citizen Award for our school. She joined a hundred of award winners across Brentwood Diocese in recognition for her exemplary role model behavior as a member of the St. Edward School community. Congratulations Haniya we are all so proud of you!



COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION

The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is the world's oldest international writing competition for schools, established in 1883. With thousands of young people taking part every year, it is an important way to recognise achievement, elevate youth voices and develop key skills through creative writing.

In 2022, on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee year, Her Majesty The Queen will celebrate 70 years as Head of the Commonwealth. The Queen's seven decades of service to the Commonwealth are an inspiring example of the steadfast commitment and important contribution we can all make to our societies. The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition 2022 will ask entrants to explore the positive impact that can be achieved through dedication and selfless commitment to our Commonwealth.

All successful entries will receive a Certificate of Participation and a number of entrants will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards for excellence in writing. The top two winners from each category will be awarded with a trip to London for a week of educational and cultural events, culminating in a special Awards Ceremony at a royal palace.

Junior category (Born on or after 1 July 2008 (under 14 years of age), maximum word count: 750 words

Imagine you are a grandparent in 2022. Tell your grandchildren a bedtime story about an inspirational person.

What are the best ways for young people to serve the Commonwealth in your view?

Our Commonwealth community.

Write a job description for a superhero needed to solve a problem in your community.



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Year 6 Champions in Handball.



Our year 3 and 4 tennis team finished 3rd in the Newham Tennis Finals.



St Edward's recently played host to 8 schools in the partnerships 1 and 2 handball competition. Our team won through to the final without losing a game but after just a few minutes, found themselves down by 2 goals to nil before staging a tremendous run of play to win by 5 goals to 3.

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NOTICE TO PARENTS

Support and advice services - Newham

OUR COMMUNITY CARES

Get housing advice and support| Mediation| Weekly women's group| Counselling| Life coaching| Employment support| Coffe mornings| Trainings
Pop in for a chat:
55 Roscoe Road, Canning Town, E16 1JA

FOOD BANK THURSDAYS

St Luke's Community Centre
Tarling Road
Canning Town
E16 1HN
Between 12PM - 2PM



Contact Rose (Lead Coordinator) 07861647346 | Facebook.com/ourcommunitycares | Instagram.com/ourcommunitycares

Newham Uniform Swap Shop

Support is available for you if you need help in obtaining uniforms for your child for the start of the school year. An organisation called DICE - Defend Inclusive Comprehensive Education - is a group of parents, grandparents, teachers and community activists who support children and their families in all aspects of education.

They will help you source new or good condition used uniforms.

All used uniforms are clean and blazers dry cleaned by Madinah Dry Cleaners in Forest Gate.

They can also help you source coats, jackets and shoes too!

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- If you need a uniform for your child, please send an email to suniforms@outlook.com
- If you have an item to donate please email them and they will be happy to collect your donation from you.

Well done Asda

To help tackle holiday hunger at a time when the cost of living is higher than ever, children aged 16 and under can access a hot or cold meal for just £1 at Asda cafes - with NO minimum spend! Asda has announced that, in a bid to keep children fed over the summer holidays, they'll be able to grab a meal at their in-store cafes seven days a week, with no minimum adult spend requirement.

The brand revealed the £1 meal deal for Scotland last month, further rolling it out to Wales and England in a follow-up announcement today.

The Kids Eat for £1 initiative is available all day, every day from July 25 until September 4 in England and Wales, as long as the café is open. And dependent on the store, a hot meal or cold meal, or both, will be on offer.

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A Weekly Gift to you and your family from your Catholic School

THE Wednesday
WORDSHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL
WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

Loving God and our neighbours is the foundation of a good life. But it is only through loving God first, that we are really able to love our neighbours as God intends.

Who is our neighbour? In this Sunday's Gospel we read about the Good Samaritan. Through this parable, Jesus answers a question from a lawyer and tells us that our neighbour is any person who needs our help, regardless of who they are or where they come from.

Wednesday 6th July 2022

At the end of the Gospel, Jesus then tells the lawyer to go and act as the Good Samaritan did. It's a message for us today. Who will I be a good neighbour to this week?

Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **NEIGHBOUR**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough



To see this week's Parish Version of The Wednesday Word: wednesdayword.org - Parents' Pages - Lectio Divina with Fr Henry.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH
Sunday 10th July 2022

There was a lawyer who, to unsettle Jesus, stood up and said, "Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" The lawyer replied, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself." "You have answered right," said Jesus. "Do this and life is yours." But the man then said, "And who is my neighbour?" Jesus replied, "A man was robbed on his way down from Jerusalem. He was badly beaten and left for dead. Two people passed by without helping him. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He bandaged his wounds and took him to the inn and looked after him and paid for him to stay there. Which person proved himself a neighbour to this man who fell into the robbers' hands?" "The one, who took pity on him," the lawyer replied. Jesus said to him, "Go, and do the same yourself."

Adapted from

Luke 10: 25-37 (the 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C)

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel
in Church - all are warmly invited.

"To live as true children of God means
to love our neighbour. Like the Good
Samaritan, let us try to heal those
who suffer." Pope Francis



WORD CONNECTING HOME, SCHOOL AND PARISH THROUGH SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Good News
for Families

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1 Enjoy reading the Gospel

Jesus agreed with a teacher of the law that, to live with God forever, we must love God and love our neighbour as ourselves. Then the teacher asked, "who is my neighbour?" Jesus replied, "A man was robbed and badly beaten. Two people passed by and left him for dead. But a Samaritan traveller stopped, felt sorry for him and bandaged his wounds. He then paid for him to stay at an inn and looked after him. Who then was a 'neighbour' to this poor man?" "The one who took pity on him," the teacher replied. Jesus said to him, "Go, and do the same yourself."

What did the teacher ask Jesus? Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? See the Sunday Gospel picture opposite. What does it make you think about?

2 Wednesday's Word is ...

NEIGHBOUR

3 Loving God & Each Other

"Anyone who needs me, and whom I can help, is my neighbour."

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

The Good Samaritan teaches us how to be a good neighbour. Ask your child what the word 'neighbour' means to them. What makes a good neighbour? Do you ever find it difficult to 'love your neighbour as yourself'? Can you remember a time when someone was a good neighbour to you? Who are the 'Good Samaritans' in your community?

"We must not fail to help our neighbours, because in them we are serving Jesus."

St Rose of Lima

Good neighbours are caring, generous, kind and compassionate. How can we show these qualities and be 'Good Samaritans' to those around us in this coming week? Perhaps we can: visit an elderly or sick person together as a family; be welcoming to new people in our community; try to include someone at school who may be feeling lonely or left out; learn about and help our neighbours abroad - see: cafod.org.uk/Education/Kidz-Zone



Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for teaching us how to be good neighbours. Help us to show our love through our actions and so to be respectful and caring to all we meet. Amen.

Gospel Gallery

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WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN

- ☒ MAN BEATEN
- ☐ PEOPLE PASS
- ☐ SAMARITAN STOPPED
- ☐ LOVED NEIGHBOUR

SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY

Whilst thinking about this week's Gospel, search for at least three differences between this picture and the colour one. Then draw them in before colouring.

Cross out the letters **a c l** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words:

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A Samaritan traveller _____, felt _____
for _____ and bandaged his _____.



This Sunday is 'Sea Sunday'

This Sunday we especially remember fishermen and all those who work at sea including the chaplains and many volunteers of the Apostleship of the Sea who, like the Good Samaritan in today's Gospel, care for seafarers. Find out more at: stellamaris.org.uk

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Smiley

This week I will try my best to...



More at: wednesdayword.org & catholicchurch.org.uk

"FOLLOWING CHRIST WE REACH OUR GOALS"



GOSPEL - LUKE 11:1-13



1 Now it happened that he was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'

2 He said to them, 'When you pray, this is what to say: Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come;

3 give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,

4 for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test.'

5 He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves,

6 because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him;"

7 and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you."

8 I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

9 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you.

10 For everyone who asks receives; everyone who searches finds; everyone who knocks will have the door opened.

11 What father among you, if his son asked for a fish, would hand him a snake?

12 Or if he asked for an egg, hand him a scorpion?

13 If you then, evil as you are, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The prospect of the righteous is joy, but the hopes of the wicked come to nothing.

Proverbs 10:28

Lord our God, we wait for you night and day.
 We believe in you and we long for your righteousness.
 You will answer our prayer. Bless us, we pray.
 May your name be kept holy and your kingdom come.
 O Lord our God, may your will be done among the nations.
 May your will be done in each of us and be plainly seen,
 as it is in heaven. Look upon the nations.
 Watch over all humankind.
 Let a new path be broken so that a peace that passes
 all understanding may come, a peace from you,
 the Lord our God.
 Amen.

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