

- 10<sup>th</sup> Mar Reception @ Pizza Express
- 11<sup>th</sup> Mar Y5 & 6 Football @ UEL
- 19<sup>th</sup> Mar 10am Jules Verne Celebration Assembly  
NurAM,Y1,3,5, 6
- 20<sup>th</sup> Mar 2pm Jules Verne Celebration Assembly  
NurPM,Rec,Y2,4, 6
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar 10:15am Y3 Assembly
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar 3:30-6:30pm Parents Consultation Evening
- 25<sup>th</sup> Mar Y1 & 2 Boy's Handball @ St Angela
- 26<sup>th</sup> Mar 3:30-6:30pm Parents Consultation Evening
- 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 9:15am Whole School Lenten Mass
- 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 10:00am Easter Story Drama Club



**1<sup>st</sup> April- End of Term-School Finishes at 3:15pm**  
**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of April to Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April-Easter**

**Holidays**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Pupils Return to School**

**16<sup>th</sup> Apr 9am Topic Information Morning**

- 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr 9:15am Whole School Mass-International Day
- 28<sup>th</sup> Apr 10:00am Y5 Assembly
- 28<sup>th</sup> Apr Y2 @ Stratford Pizza Workshop
- 29<sup>th</sup> Apr Y3 & 4@ Langdon Mixed Dodgeball

### Reminders ~Parents' Consultation Evenings

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 3:30-6:30pm**

Letters for the consultation evenings will be sent out next week. Please ensure that the reply slip is returned to the teacher, with the preferred time, as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. **KS2** children are invited to attend the meeting with their parents to discuss their progress and attainment.

### Termly Punctuality and Attendance

Attendance since 5<sup>th</sup> January to 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %	Number of lates
YR	97.2	0.52	9
Y1	99.0	0.63	11
Y2	97.0	0.29	5
Y3	95.3	0.46	8
Y4	98.4	0.34	6
Y5	97.7	0.93	16
Y6	98.6	0.38	6



**Excellent attendance by Y1**  
**Great punctuality by Y2!!!**

**Don't forget parents that children must be in school at 8.45am, or even earlier if they attend one of our morning clubs.**

## From the Headteacher



### Dear Parents and Friends,

It is really good to see the progress our children are making as I walk around the school and watch lessons. The children are really getting into the Jules Verne projects and producing some lovely written work. We look forward to the celebration assembly for this topic, which parents are duly invited to.

Following, on from the previous newsletter about e-safety, I recently listened to a programme on Radio 4 called **Face the Facts**, which was looking into gangs and gang culture. The police spokesman and the other professionals speaking on the programme stated that we should be educating our children about this at primary school. At first I was rather dismissive about this, thinking that our children are far too innocent for this, but then they spoke about the nurturing of children from 8 years old through rap songs listened to on Youtube among other things as part of the process in recruiting gang members, older boys on the streets buying children sweets as part of a grooming process .... We had a number of children who were sharing such inappropriate music videos with each other. Parents of these children were totally unaware. I would highly recommend parents listen to the programme; it will be quite alarming but it could certainly help us to protect our children better. The children who are most at risk are those whose parents are least informed.

Finally, I just want to welcome a new member of staff Mr Bennett who will hopefully be leading lots of sporting activities with the children and taking off from where Ms Adams left.

**James Allen**



### Milk for Children

Children under 5 have been provided free milk for a while, which is paid for by the government. The government has told schools that they should provide milk for all children who require it. This will not be free or funded. However, St. Joachim's is going to pay for the milk until July for all children who request it. We will then review if we can continue to afford paying for it or whether our parents will need to pay in September. The cost of milk is around 22p a day per child.

### Admissions

Throughout the year we do have families move out of the area and so from time to time we have vacancies at St. Joachim's.

If you know anyone who has a child that would like to send their child to our Catholic school, please let them know that they need to apply in order for them to have a chance for a place. Applications can be downloaded from our web site [www.st-joachims.newham.sch.uk](http://www.st-joachims.newham.sch.uk) or you can come into our reception to ask for forms.

# Sports News

## Upcoming Events:



Y5/6 Boys Football at UEL-11<sup>th</sup> March  
 Y1/2 Boys Handball at St. Angela's -25<sup>th</sup> March  
 Y3 & 4@ Langdon Mixed Dodge ball-29<sup>th</sup> April

### Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Match

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>, Our Year 5 and 6 girls played a league football match against Kaizen Primary School. The first half was a closely fought encounter, though the girls soon showed their strength through goals from Tais and Victoria. After a professional second half performance, Tais scored a cleverly worked goal and the match finished **3-0** to us.

**Well Done Girls!!!**

## Hot Potatoe Competition

Langdon Academy Sport Partnership															
KS1 Year 1/2 Hot Potato Competition															
Thursday 26th February 2015															
Participating Schools															
Central Park			St Edward's			St Helen's			St Joachim's						
St Michael's			Today's Pupils are Tomorrow's Leaders			St Stephen's			St Michael's						
Court One						Court Two									
St Helen's	2	V	0	St Joachim's	0	V	2	St Edward's	0	V	2	St Michael's	0	V	2
St Michael's	0	V	2	Central Park	0	V	2	St Joachim's	0	V	2	St Michael's	0	V	2
St Helen's	2	V	1	Central Park	0	V	0	St Edward's	2	V	0	St Michael's	0	V	2
St Michael's	0	V	2	St Stephen's	0	V	2	St Joachim's	1	V	2	Central Park	0	V	2
St Helen's	2	V	0	St Stephen's	0	V	0	St Edward's	2	V	0	St Joachim's	0	V	2
St Stephen's	1	V	2	Central Park	0	V	0	St Edward's	2	V	0	St Helen's	0	V	2
St Edward's	2	V	0	Central Park	0	V	0	St Joachim's	2	V	0	St Michael's	0	V	2
Fortune Favours the Brave						St Helen's 2 V 1 St Michael's									
League															
League	P	W	D	L	F	A	G	Pt	Semi-Finals						
St Edward's	6	6	0	0	10	0	10	16	St Helen's	2	V	1	Central Park		
St Helen's	6	4	0	1	8	4	4	18	St Edward's	2	V	0	St Joachim's		
Central Park	6	3	0	3	7	0	1	11	3rd & 4th Place						
St Joachim's	6	2	0	3	6	0	-1	9	St Joachim's	2	V	1	Central Park		
St Stephen's	6	1	0	4	3	0	-5	7	The Final						
St Michael's	6	0	0	6	1	10	-8	6	St Helen's	0	V	2	St Edward's		



## Red Nose Day Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March



Children can pay a £1 and wear something red to school.

Red noses will be on sale at £1.00

Toast will be on sale starting from 30p - extra cost for toppings

Face Painting - 50p.

Please give your child some change to support this worthy cause.

## Lenten Mass for everyone at St Anne's Church Every Friday at 7am

1<sup>st</sup> April – 9:15am Lenten Mass - Whole School



## Paris Trip 2015

Once again, we are organising our very popular Paris Trip. This year the school is taking 40 children from year 3, 4, 5 and 6 to Paris on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2015. The purpose of the trip is to give our children the chance to use French, the language they have been learning, whilst at the same time gain a valuable cultural experience. *Book a place now if you don't want to be disappointed.*

Cost: £40

## The Jules Verne Project

This week sees the continuation of our very exciting Jules Verne Project. Last Monday saw the launch of the assembly; which was led by actual explorers - Cindya Jones (apparently the grand-daughter of Indiana Jones), and Lamb Grylls! They shared their adventurous exploits with the children, and taught them all about volcanoes, Earth and how to survive in the wild!

As part of the project, the children are currently studying Verne's novels, and using his writing to inspire them in English. They are also exploring the lives of famous explorers - including Shackleton, Scott, Livingstone and Levison Wood. The whole project is crammed with learning, and the pupils have taken to it with great enthusiasm!

At the end of the project, we will celebrate it with class dramas and announce the winners of the competition entries. What an exciting time!



## School Uniform

This is a reminder that children should wear shoes for school. If for any reason children need to wear boots, they will have to change into shoes when they arrive at school. Thank you for your support.

