



Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School



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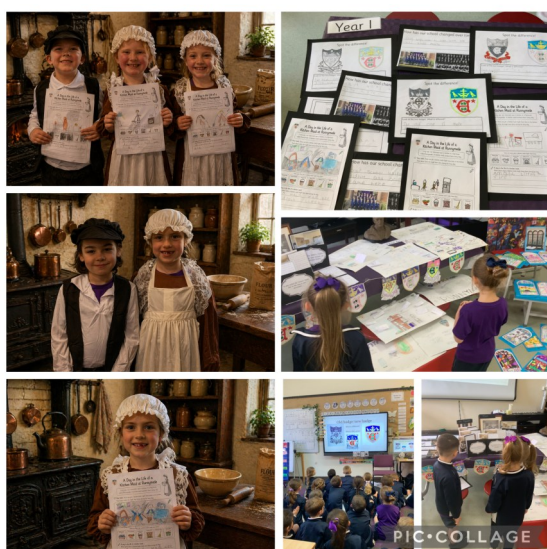
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This week, Preschool have been thinking about how we can take care of our planet and look after the world around us. We have also been history explorers, learning about castles as part of our *Robin Hood* story. We were very excited to discover how our school has changed over the years, and we even enjoyed a visit to the school museum! In RE, we learned that Jesus went up to heaven to be with God. We also talked about God's special gift to us—the Holy Spirit—which helps us to do good things and make kind, thoughtful choices.



What a busy week in Reception! We have celebrated Local History Day learning about Runnymede through the years and had our work displayed in our School Museum. We have enjoyed exploring our new potion station. We have created potions and explained what powers they have - we have had potions that can cure illness and potions that allow us to talk to animals! We also celebrated St George's Day by making our own shields and painting a cross.



Year 1 had an amazing time on Local History Day! Miss Whittle's class were amazed to learn their classroom used to be a *kitchen* — they loved imagining all the busy jobs a kitchen maid would have done. Miss Staunton's class explored old photos of their classroom and our school badge, spotting all the fun changes over time. We finished the day by creating beautiful museum worthy work and then went on a little adventure to see the rest of the school's fantastic displays.



Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed Local History Day, we celebrated our work together in our very own museum.

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To celebrate Local History Day, Year 3 looked at photos and different sources to learn how our school has changed over time. They enjoyed finding out that the school, founded by Edmund Rice, was once for boys only and had very strict rules. They also learned about how classroom tools changed, from chalkboards to using ink and no computers. At the end, the children proudly displayed their work in a school museum alongside other year groups, which was a great achievement for them.



It has been a busy and productive week in Year 4. On Wednesday, pupils took part in Local History Day, exploring the history of our school. They produced detailed sketches of the building as it looked in the 1940s and compared these with its appearance today. World Earth Day was another highlight of the week. Several children carried out their own research at home and shared a range of interesting facts about the Earth and environmental issues. Special thanks to the Beckingham family for their generous and kind donation of flowers and planters to encourage more wildlife to our school site. Additionally, preparation for the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is well underway in Year 4. Please continue to ensure that your child is accessing TTRS at least three times per week.



Year 5 children enjoyed working some mindfulness sessions this week. They worked hard with Mrs Cooper to produce some beautiful dream catchers. Thank you to Dr Rankin (Alex's mum) who kindly donated the wool and craft supplies to our school.



This week Year 6 enjoyed working together in groups to create a poster about Runnymede and how it has changed over the years. We worked collaboratively to create a mini museum and to showcase everyone's fantastic work.

We loved being mini historians for the day.

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Edmund Rice Value—Care for one another and our world.

We were delighted to hear about Lenny from Year 2 who kindly donated his old Playstation and games to a local charity 'An hour for others'.

Lenny, being unassuming, did not tell his Teachers but we were alerted through the Runnymede Community of this gesture of kindness.

Well done, Lenny!



CAFOD Live Simply Litter Pick

As part of our preparations to secure the CAFOD Live Simply Award. Our Edmund Rice Ambassadors and Eco Ambassadors will be working alongside Mrs Minogue on Thursday.

We will be scouring the school site to make our world a better place. In assembly this week, as we reflected on Earth Day we talked about the importance of not dropping litter when we are out and about!



One of our wonderful Year 2 children has been working hard with her family to look after our local community and carry the light of Jesus. We are so proud of her commitment and she is a role model for others to follow. We have all enjoyed looking at her fabulous work this week.



Year 3 Grandparents Coffee Morning

We cordially invite Grandparents of children only in Year 3 to our annual Grandparents coffee morning.

This will take place on Friday 1st May, 9.30am—10.30am in the Bryson Hall.

Grandparents will be treated to refreshments whilst they listen to our children sing some beautiful songs.

Following this, we will stay for a chat and play some traditional games such as chess which our children learn to play on a weekly basis.

We look forward to welcoming you at this event!



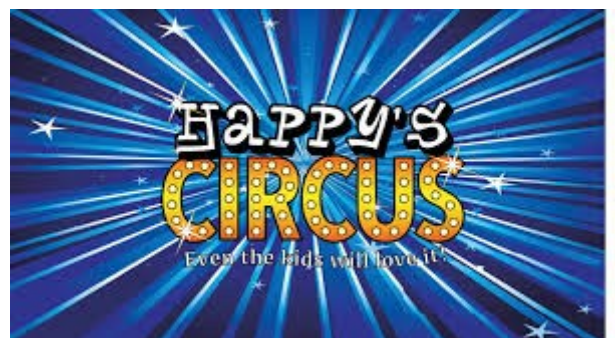
Final chance to purchase the remaining 15 Circus tickets!

School will be closing at 2pm on Monday 18th May for this event.

There will be no After Care on this day (money will be refunded).

There will be no admittance to this event without a ticket.

Only children under 2 years of age are allowed to sit on parents knees. This is a strict stipulation of the Circus organisers.



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- RB:** Eli H for being a kind friend and **Georgia P** for participating in the beginning of lessons.
- RP:** Jack C for always giving lovely thoughtful answers, especially R.E and **Makar K** for trying really hard in Phonics and great enthusiasm in Maths.
- 1S:** Elliot H for trying his best even when something feels tricky and **Indie M** for working really hard in Phonics to learn new sounds every day.
- 1W:** Jorgie-Tia D for trying super hard in English and **Ivy G** for excellent spelling.
- 2H:** Arlo T H for trying his best all week and **Theo C** for thoughtful contributions during lessons.
- 2W:** Lenny D for putting others before himself and **Teddy B** for thoughtful answers in R.E.
- 3D:** Kitty K for great work and contributions and **Ava H** for lovely descriptive writing in English
- 3Mc:** Teddy W and **Leia Mc** for excellent resilience in Maths.
- 4D:** Matilda B for excellent information about bees for World Day and **Seb F** for consistently showing great effort during times table practice.
- 4Mc:** George B for producing excellent work on coastal lines and **Jessica K** for showing fantastic effort in learning her times tables - amazing.
- 5N:** Olivia P for excellent contributions during R.E lessons and **Zach C** for being a great help and supportive teammate at Condoval Hall.
- 5T:** Sienna S for creating a fantastic storyboard in R.E and **Hector B** for supporting and encouraging his friends at Condoval!
- 6D:** Sienna W for her excellent attitude towards learning everyday and **Louie B** for his improved effort this week in all lessons.



Attendance—Our target is 97%

Monday 20th April until Friday
24th April 2026

is as follows:

95.96%

Every day in school is a step towards success—
thank you for helping your child be here, ready to
shine!

RB:	1S:	2H:	3D:	4D:	5N:	6D:
97.5%	99.75%	98%	95.75%	9.5%	97.5%	97%
RP:	1W:	2W:	3Mc:	4Mc:	5T:	
92.6%	94%	96%	97.5%	93%	94.5%	

Happy birthday to all children who have had a
birthday this week! We hope you had a lovely
day!



Harper J, Theo C, Molly Mc, Blossom M, Rudi M &
Nancy L

Week commencing 27th April

- Monday** Y1, Y3, & Y5 PE
Staff led after school clubs commence
- Tuesday** Y2, Y4 & Y6 PE
Sefton Rugby Club after school taster sessions, Chess Club
- Wednesday** Parents/Carers 'Come Pray with me'
Ukulele with Mr Tallant
- Thursday:** REC PE
- Friday** Grandparents Coffee Morning (Y3 only)
KS2 Swimming