



# St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

#### SUMMER 2 WEEK 3

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think – Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was Refugee Week and the theme was "Our Home". We looked at the power of simple acts like having a chat, walking together, or sending a message of welcome that can help everyone feel like they belong. On Thursday 20th June we joined schools across the country for a live broadcast hosted by Sanctuary Foundation – a charity advocating for the needs of refugees. This Big Live Assembly, celebrated the inclusion of refugee families in our schools and communities and the voices of refugees.



On Friday afternoon, Y4-6 were visited by Eugene O'Toole who has written a novel, 'Land of Waves'. His book highlights the plight of unaccompanied child refugees who face many dangers in their search for a new life.

Eugene read some extracts from his new book and then the children took part in a physical "Migrant's Journey" exercise in which they made progress but also faced problems (i.e., two steps forward, one step back). This may sound chaotic but that's the idea – these journeys are chaotic, disorganised, huddled and uncomfortable!

#### Y6 Cricket Competition

On Wednesday, our Y6 girl's cricket team attended the London Youth Games and particited in Dynamos Cricket. The girls were representing Waltham Forest and were an absolute credit to the school. They showed our value of tenacity in abundance and were commended on the sportsmanship and manners throughout the day. Well done to Amira, Anshita, Carnes, Lois, Jasine, Chioma, Aaisha and Mikaylah – we are incredibly proud of you!



#### Reception Colchester Zoo

On Thursday, Reception took a trip to Colchester Zoo. The children enjoyed seeing all of the amazing animals and we were so impressed with how well all the children behaved. The reception team would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents that volunteered and made this trip possible.

#### Willows Activity Farm

On Friday, some of our children attended Willows Activity Farm and enjoyed a day on the farm and playing with the diggers!

I would like to end with a quote about tenacity from Malaya Yousafzai who shares what home means to them: *To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished."- Malala Yousafzai* Yours faithfully,

Miss Cherry

# REFUGEE WEEK 2024 'OUR HOME'

From the places we gather to share meals to our collective home, planet earth: everyone is invited to celebrate what our Our Home means to them. Home can be a place of refuge, a feeling or a state of mind. It can be found in smells, tastes and sounds. From the clothes we wear to the words we grew up with. It's in food, music and arts. It's in our cultures and in our landscapes. Home can be more than one place and finding it can be a journey, as it is for so many of us who have to leave our countries and rebuild our lives. Sometimes we can find home in a single person. Other times it's in a whole community.

And often, it's in a single gesture of care and welcome.

What would happen if this Refugee Week we extended our warmth and hospitality beyond our own homes and made entire neighbourhoods more welcoming?

Simple acts like having a chat, walking together, or sending a message of welcome can help everyone feel like they belong. Together, we can work in solidarity to ensure all our neighbours, new and familiar, have safe and welcoming homes.

Together, this Refugee Week let's practice our solidarity and make Our Home a more welcoming, safe and sustainable place for all.

## Let us know what simple acts you decide to share and we will share them in the newsletter next week.

#### Simple Acts

Simple Acts are easy, everyday actions we can all do to stand in solidarity with refugees and make new connections in our communities.

Whether you build your own event or activity around a Simple Act or simply take part during the week itself, you'll be part of a movement of people everywhere taking small steps to create a big change.



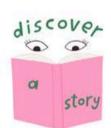
















# What does 'home' mean to you?

The world's largest arts & culture festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees. www.refugeeweek.org.uk

To me,	Our	Home	means:
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#### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

This week in collective worship we continued to look at parables. We learnt that a parable is a simple story which has a special religious or moral meaning at the end. People can learn from parables because the stories are easy to remember and they remind us of things we do in our own lives. Jesus told many parables as a way of teaching people important things about God and how God wanted people to live. This week we looked at the parable of the Lost Coin.

The Parable of the Lost Coin can be found in Luke 15:8 - 10 and tells the story of a woman who loses a precious silver coin. This Parable teaches the importance of hard work and searching attentively when you lose something, before blaming others. The story is seen by many as redemptive, as the woman makes up for her carelessness in losing her silver coin by finding it again. We can take this as an important life lesson. It's ok to make mistakes as long as you learn from them and transform your thinking to make better choices next time.

### **VALUES CARD AWARD**

Well done to

Bing who has
collected 5 value
cards for
consistently
showing our
school values.
Keep up the great
work!







#### **YEAR 2 CLASS CORNER**

This week, Year 2 has been fully engaged in our topic and science lessons. In science we have been learning about forces and how an object moves. We tested out different materials to identify whether it was a tension force or compressive force. We looked at pulling and pushing activities that we do and identified the differences.

In topic, we have been learning about the amazing Florence Nightingale and how she helped many soldiers and nurses over the world. We are discovering some of the great achievements she's made and how much of an impact she has had.

Do you know why they call her the lady with the lamp?





In Literacy, we have enjoyed writing about George's grouchy grandma and the marvellous medicine he produced for her using powerful verbs and adjectives!





# STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception
Denny & Alba



Year 1 Kataleya & Isaac



Year 2
Toviel & Shaiawn



Year 3 Julian & Sid



Year 4
J'Cole & Sebastian



Kiara C & Alex



Year 6
Evaya & Edith



Saturday School Nyiarah





# PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done to **Eliana & Alex** who are this week's Progress Cup winners!





## **ATTENDANCE AWARDS**

Well done to

Y1 Jane Goodall 98.33%

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Year 6 Stevie Wonder

98.64%

who have won the attendance mascots this week.







## **CULTURAL FESTIVAL 2024**

We continue to be extremely proud of being a School of Sanctuary and the work we do as a community to support those in need, particularly the collaborative achievement in sponsoring a family. We can be particularly proud of this achievement (recognised in the London Faith awards, the BBC and the interview on LBC) as this family has not had to go through a dangerous ordeal to find safety.

The Home Office has approached us to see if we would support another family who are in great need of finding a safe and lasting home and are keen to continue their collaboration with us. We are honored and delighted that the good work we have started can continue. It also means that we can further educate our children about the issues around immigration and trafficking in the hope that their knowledge enables them to be considerate, knowledgeable and compassionate humans.

This brings us to our Cultural Festival which happens every year in the summer. We ask you to join us to fundraise for the resettlement of the new family so we can find a home for them and set it up with their happiness and future prospects in mind. There will be a number of ways in which you can support this initiative and of course your participation is completely voluntary. There is no obligation on you to donate or to raise money for this cause.

Our work is guided by the love we show to others so that each of us can flourish in this life.

We are really excited to share our **Cultural Festival and World Vision** celebration will be held again this year on **Friday 19th July 2024 from 2.30pm**. We look forward to seeing you all there.

#### **DREAM CATCHERS**

We are thinking ahead to September regarding after school clubs and or workshops that we would like to offer. We have reached out many times through the newsletters to see if you or anybody you know are able to offer any clubs or workshops.

If you or someone you know are interested and able to offer a service please complete this Google form and we will be in touch

https://forms.gle/sGMbU422XKkHgFmE8



# PARENT CALENDAR JUNE 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Climbing Wall V3. V6	8	9
10	11 KS2 PP Trip to Chessington	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	School Nurse Drop - 9:30am - 10:30am	20 Rec Trip to Colchester Zoo	<b>21</b> Y3 RP Forest School  KSI PP Trip to  Willows Activity Park	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	1	

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	2	3 KS2 Sports Day Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	4 KSI Sports Day YI & Y2	5	6	7
8 Reception Sports Day	9	10	11 Y6 End of Year Performance - School Hall	12 Y6 Leavers Disco	13	14
15	16	17 Y6 Theatre Trip Lion King	18	19 Cultural Festival 2:30pm	20	21
22	23	24 Ice Cream Van for children End of Term 2pm Finish	25	26	27	28
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# Term Dates 2023- 2024



#### Autumn Term 2023

First Half (35 Days)

INSET - Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th September 2023

Start - Thursday 7th September 2023

End -- Friday 20th October 2023

Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023- Friday 27th October 2023

Second Half (38 Days)

Start - Monday 30th October 2023

End - Wednesday 20th December 2023

Holidays: Thursday 21st December 2023 to Friday 5th January 2024

#### Spring Term 2024

First Half (25 Days)

INSET - Monday 8th January 2024

Start - Tuesday 9th January 2024

End - Friday 9th February 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

Second Half (29 Days)

Start - Monday 19th February 2024

End – Thursday 28th March 2024

Holidays: Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April 2024

#### Summer Term 2024

First Half (29 Days)

Start - Monday 15th April 2024

End - Friday 24th May 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024 Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May 2024 (during Half Term)

Second Half (38 Days)

Start - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

End – Wednesday 24th July 2024

This calendar gives a total of 194 (190 pupil days plus 4 inset days – Staff to work twilight sessions to make up 1 inset day).