

Catholic Life of Pield Heath School 2019-20

A New School Year



Sr Julie welcomed staff and students back to school after the Summer break. To mark the start of the new academic year each class was presented with a candle.

Masses / Services



Fr Kennedy celebrated Mass for us on 11th September. He also said Mass for us in October. The theme for this Mass was to celebrate the canonisation of John Henry Newman on 13th October.

All families are welcome to attend our Acts of Worship. Our next Mass will be at 9.30am 6th November 2019.

Deanery Mass - 1st October



Staff and Governors attended the Annual Hillingdon Deanery Mass celebrated by Fr Nicholas Schofield the Dean at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Michael Parish, Uxbridge. The Mass was jointly prepared by Pield Heath and St Mary's School, Uxbridge. The theme for the Mass was 'I have a Mission'.

RE Ambassadors



We are delighted to have our new RE Ambassadors who come from both the lower and upper school. This year the team includes Yash, Mason, Khushi, Aisling, Casey and Jamie. They meet regularly and are playing an active role in supporting the ethos of our school.

Upper School Retreat



All students in Key Stage 4 and 5 were invited to participate in a special retreat on 9th October. The theme for the retreat was called 'We are Called'.

The day started with Mass after which there were activities which focused on the importance of our name and how we each have a special gift. The retreat ended with a sharing service in the Chapel.

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Faith Week - 10th - 17th November 2019



We marked Inter Faith Week which this year was in November. This initiative is a great opportunity to strengthen and develop understanding and cooperation between people of different backgrounds.

Our RE Ambassadors visited a Synagogue in London, courtesy of The Levenfiche Foundation. We had a talk given by the Rabbi and were given a tour of the Synagogue.

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Advent



We marked the Season of Advent in various ways to help us prepare for the great Feast of Christmas. Francis Thomas, a Seminarian in Sacred Heart Parish, Ruislip led an Advent Service

We also had a joint Advent Service with students and staff from Douay Martyrs School, Ickenham.

Christmas Performances



We welcomed all the Friends of Pield Heath to our Christmas performances. They were a celebration of drama, dance, music and song entitled 'Magical Moments of Christmas.

Special thanks to Antony Colagrossi, Petra Voniatis, Daisy Gilder

Christian Unity Week	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020 Unusual kindness	We had a service to mark the Octave of Christian Unity Week on 18th - 25th January.
		The theme for this year was 'Unusual Kindness'.
The Year of the Word –		Sunday 26 th January was designated 'Sunday of the Word of God'. At Masses there was a blessing of Bibles.
The God who Speaks	GOD WHO SPEAKS	In our local Parish, Our Lady of Lourdes and St Michael there was an opportunity for people to have their Bibles blessed at Mass.
R.E.	FAST	Students enjoyed pancakes on Shrove Tuesday this was followed by a whole school service on Ash Wednesday which was led by Sr Julie where we had the blessing and distribution of ashes
Easter Lego Challenge		All students and their families are invited to join our Easter Lego Challenge!
		We all love to build with LEGO brick. Together with your siblings or parents build a Cross or some Easter Eggs—using just the basic bricks, so the whole family can have some fun together. Send us your design by email to admin@pieldheathschool.org.uk with a photo of your creation and we will share it with other families. The Challenge ends on 17 th April 2020. Everyone who takes part will get a special certificate.
WE Day 2020	WE DAY	On Wednesday 4th March students were delighted to join in the celebrations at WE Day at Wembley Arena. WE Day is a special event that empowers students to create a change in the world. The students enjoyed talks and entertainment from a range of guests which included Jamie Oliver, Lewis Hamilton and Leona Lewis. One of the central themes was reminding us of how we can make a big difference in the World around us by looking after our world. The students enjoyed the day and came back feeling very inspired and motivated.
Easter Craft Sale	A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	On Thursday 19th March students held an Easter Craft Sale selling some of the lovely work that they created. Well done to all.
St Joseph		We had a whole school Mass to mark the Feast of St Joseph in March which is also a special day for all our youngsters and staff in St Joseph's House.

Francis Thomas	The Structure of the Moss	Thank you to Francis Thomas, a seminarian at Sacred Heart Parish, Ruislip for leading our staff community in a Lent Service and also for doing a presentation on the structure and significance of the Mass for all our staff.
Thanks to Sr Rosemary		A very sincere thank you to Sr Rosemary Clerkin who has provided us with weekly reflections on the theme of Tips for the Road Ahead. Not only have these been helpful and inspiring, but they have also provided real comfort for the wellbeing of our whole community, as we have been journeying together at this time.
Caritas 'Love in Action' Programme	LOVE IN ACTION Description Westminster For Step forward in love Pope Francis "Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action" 130m 338	Love in Action is an engagement programme designed by Caritas, Westminster to introduce Parishes and Schools to the principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST). There are 6 Principles that we will be looking at over the programme. Dignity Solidarity and Peace Option for the Poor Creation Community and Participation Dignity of Workers In Spring Term 2 we have been looking at 'Creation'.
Month of May		We marked May as the special month of Mary. We looked at the prayer of Mary called The Magnificat. Students under the supervision of Nicky Grieve our Outdoor Learning Development Manager have maintained the Grotto so that when we all go back we can continue to pray and worship in our beautiful grounds. This certainly is Faith in Action, so thank you Nicky and Well Done everyone!
Laudato Si Week 16 th – 24 th May	Landato St. Week. 2020	Laudato Si' Week honours the fifth anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical on care for Our Common Home. The theme of the week is "Everything is Connected." The week launched a yearlong journey of transformation, as we grow through the crisis of the current moment by praying, reflecting, and preparing together for a better world to come tomorrow.
Pentecost		We started the half term by marking The Feast of Pentecost – The Birthday of the Church
Reopening of Churches		We were delighted to hear the news on 15th June about the reopening of churches for Private Prayer. On Thursday 18th June it was a privilege to join with all the schools in the Diocese as Cardinal Vincent Nicols celebrated a special Mass in Westminster Cathedral for Schools We are pleased that since 4th July Churches are now open for Services and Masses.
Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus		On 19th June we marked the Community Feast Day of The Sacred Heart of Jesus