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Laleham Lea

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Dear Parents

What an absolutely fantastic penultimate week to what has been a fabulous academic year. We started with a stellar performance of The Rocky Monster Show on Monday which was followed by our Junior Prize Giving. Not to be outdone, our EYFS and KS1 students took to the stage in the Long Room yesterday for their performances of 'Croak' and 'Eddie the Penguin that saves the World'. It was a little warm for Polar Bears and penguins but each and everyone of them sang and performed beautifully. Well done everyone.

Under the expert tactics of Mr Judge, our Football team made it all the way to the final of the Croydon Schools' competition and faced a tough Selsdon School side on Wednesday. Whilst they battled hard in the heat, they were sadly beaten to the title, but to make it to the final two sides out of 60 at the start of the year is a tremendous achievement and we couldn't be prouder of them.

Today I have travelled with our Quiz Team to Oxford University for the final of the National Maths' Quiz we wish them the very best of luck and hope for another trophy to add to the new cabinet we will need to buy!

Our Moving Up Morning has been a great success today with students meeting their new teachers and receiving their summer homework packs. We have also welcomed many new students across the school to the Laleham Lea family; we look forward to getting to know them better in the new year.

We still have much to look forward next week with our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Mass, whole school photo and Catholic Schools Infant Sports Day before we break for summer at 12.15 next Friday.

Before all of that, our highly anticipated PTA Summer Fair takes place tomorrow from 11am-2pm. Everyone is excited for games, a giant bouncy slide and much more. Thank you to all our volunteers who have made this possible, let's have a great day and brilliant end to the year.

Mrs Reece

Acting Headteacher



A huge well done to our Footballers who ended the season as runner's up in the Croydon Schools' competition after a hard fought final against a strong Selsdon School side.

After a long season which saw 60 school teams compete for the 125-year-old trophy, the top two battled it out on a very hot afternoon.

Our boys never gave up and were very unlucky, hitting the post, crossbar and seeing several shots only just glancing wide.

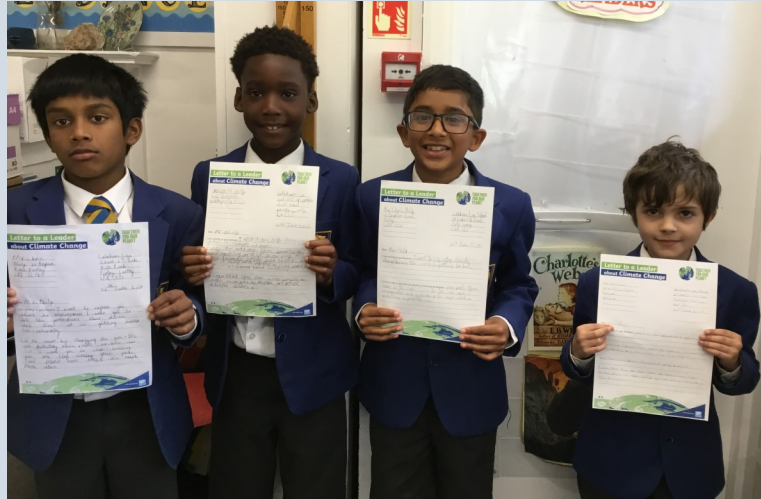
We are so proud of their amazing achievement, well done boys and a huge thank you to Mr. Judge and Billy too. To finish second out of 60 Croydon schools is an amazing accomplishment.



THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL



Year 3 have written letters to our local MP to urge them to help save the planet as part of our Eco School work. This also links to our Catholic Social Teaching principles of 'Stewardship' and 'The Common Good'.



Congratulations to our Year 3 student who celebrated her First Holy Communion last weekend.

We hope all of the students who attend John the Baptist and are celebrating their First Holy Communion on July 5th have a lovely day too.

Year 4 have learnt all about the Communion of the Saints in RE this week.









Nursery

This week Nursery have been looking at the topic of Jungle Animals. The children enjoyed participating in a range of activities to develop their knowledge further including:

- Completing a jungle animal size ordering activity
- Introducing and reinforcing language of size. E.g. 'big', 'small', 'bigger', 'smaller'.
- Creating our own jungle scene.
- Listening to the story 'Ronald the Rhino' and discussing the structure of the story

Nursery also had an amazing time taking part in a variety of activities and enjoying their Teddy Bears' Picnic with Reception Class in the garden.



Reception

As well as enjoying taking to the stage for 'Croak!', Reception children had a lovely time at their Teddy Bears' Picnic with Nursery this week.



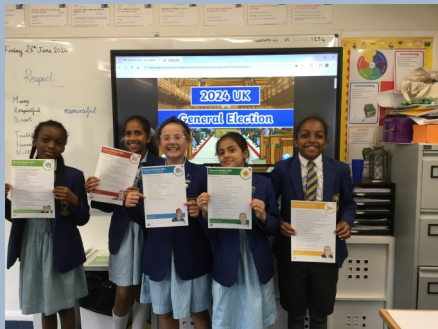
Year 5



As part of their topic on The Tudors, Year 5 have created these amazing pictures in Art this week.

Year 6

With the election looming Year 6 have become politicians this week writing their own manifestos and presenting them to the class.



Dates for your Diary

Swimming— Years 1 and 2 on July 1st.

June 29th– PTA Summer Fair

July 5th– End of term — school closes 12:15.

Stars of the week

