



Dear parents: turn out for parents evening has once again been really high. We aim for 100% attendance and any parent not attending this first meeting will be contacted. We try to set the highest standards in the school and can only do this with your support so please ensure you make fruitful contact with your child's class teacher. I am still relentless in pursuit of the very best for this school community.

A beautiful Autumn day and this is also Climate Strike Day around the world. We follow the leadership of Pope Francis and his Laudato Si works when he calls us to be stewards of the earth. We have in school planted so many trees and created habitats for birds and wildlife, screened our fences to stop car pollution, recycle all we can, put in the most low carbon eco-friendly boilers recently and of course our huge array of solar panels. We are cutting down as much as possible on single use plastics and teaching a sensible, balanced approach to climate change. A new worrying phenomena among the young is eco-anxiety. A well known young activist recently said to world leaders, 'I don't want you to be hopeful. I want you to panic'. I am personally still quite hopeful about the future. I first remember being told the world was going to end in 1963 with the Cuban missile crisis, then in 1975 Nostradamus predicted the end and again in 1999 peak oil and the millennium bug. Please do teach your children about climate change but in a measured, scientific and thoughtful way. Everyone has a role to play in a responsible manner. We have a sacred duty to our planet and our children's future so please do what you can but don't panic! - - Makes me sound a bit like Corporal Jones in Dad's Army.

School news ... this week

Monday 10.15 Assembly was interesting a silent animation on the Good Shepherd. Parent conference week began

Wednesday Year 6 assembly 9.15am on Perseverance. Good start from Year 6 and Ms Ruminska.

Friday First Mass of the Year wonderful homily from Fr Derek and the 2 chairs. Ask your children what they remember. Great start to the year. +++ Rugby World Cup begins.

PERSEVERANCE ASSEMBLY YEAR 6



School news ... next week

Monday London Group Reading Test Year 1. Assembly 10.15am Good Shepherd no pictures just sound and music from the Congo.

Year 5 cycle training all week.

Wednesday Year 5 assembly 9.15am all welcome to attend. + Book Fair arrives.

Thursday - Book Fair starts @ 3.15pm

Friday Nursery and Reception coffee morning and a chance to meet new parents. 9.00am main hall.

Book Fair @ 3.15pm



and finally fave moment of the week was last night's Newsnight interview with Paul McCartney and his daughters. Really lovely hearing Macca on Brexit, the state of our society and polaroid photographs. As he said everyone takes pictures of everything these days but then never look at them again. Pop royalty for sure.... Also really enjoyed the 3 part Rise of Hitler series on BBC 2 just finished this week. Valuable warnings from History for our own times. Glorious Autumnal weather for the next couple of days and then getting colder so get out in London's wonderful parks and enjoy with your family. Have a lovely weekend.