



# Regina Coeli Catholic Primary School

*'Where there is Love, there is God'*

28th March 2025  
Newsletter Number 10  
Spring Term

"May each family rediscover family prayer, which helps to bring about forgiveness." Pope Francis



Dear parents and carers,

A big thank you to the staff and pupils for the Mother's Day and Inspirational Women Liturgies this week– they were very special indeed.

Another big thank you to our PAF who raised £ 206.48 in their Mother's day cake sale today. If you are interested in joining this group please contact them on [reginacoelipaf@gmail.com](mailto:reginacoelipaf@gmail.com) They have some exciting ideas for fundraising but really need more support to get these off the ground.

The work they do is so important– school budgets are very tight and we are very grateful for the money raised. Next Friday they would like to hold another fund-raiser– a Mufti-Day– where children can wear their own clothes in exchange for a £2 donation to PAF.

I hope you get to enjoy being outside this weekend in the sunshine.

Best wishes, Mrs Christoforou



**THE Wednesday**  
**WORD**

**Having Hope**  
*in our* **Families**

**FORGIVENESS**

Jesus said, "A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, 'Father, let me have the inheritance that would come to me.' So the father gave him his share and his son then left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of shameless living. When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and he began to be in need and he had to hire himself out to feed pigs. So he decided to go back to his father. When his father saw him, he ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him. Then his son said, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him and kill the fattened calf. For this son of mine was lost and is now found.' And they began to celebrate."

### Attendance

**School attendance is so important for a child to be Successful.**

**The school target is 97%**

Congratulations to the following classes for the week of 17th March 2025

1st - St Patrick 100%

2nd - St Mark 99.63%

3rd - St Felicity 99.26%

Well done!

**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

### Safeguarding

**If your child is not going to be in school it is really important that you call the office on 020 8688 4582**

**or email the school at [office@reginacoelischool.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:office@reginacoelischool.croydon.sch.uk) stating the reason before 8.50am on every day of absence.**

**Thank you**

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# CONGRATULATIONS!

Star Of The Week 28th March 2025

St Anne: **Axel, Xiah**

St Thomas: **Arabella, Henry**

St Rita: **Rory, Isabel**

St David: **Leon, Naomi**

St Rose: **Vivienne, Sylvain**

St Mark: **Jacob, Caitlyn**

St Bridget: **Rory, Milana**

St Patrick: **Elisha, Ava-Rae**

St Maria: **Shabarinath, Lena**

St Andrew: **Romeo.M, Romeo.P**

St Gertrude: **Abraham, Maria**

St Michael: **Olivia, Niamh**

St Felicity: **Louis, Naya**

St Dominic: **Avani, Francesca**



**School closes for the Easter Holiday on Friday 4th April at 1.30pm**  
**Please note there will be no After School Club on the 4th April.**  
**School opens on Tuesday 22nd April at 8.30am**

## Liturgy Dates

Parents are warmly invited to attend.

	9am	2pm
Tuesday 1st April	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Easter Liturgy at Easter Liturgy

Dear Parents

I have been asked by the chair of our Local Governing Body to invite parents from across our three schools to stand for election to the Local Governing Body. There are currently 3 parent governor vacancies. Please see the attached letter with more information about the process, the work of the Local Governing Body and how to nominate yourself to stand for election. Completed nomination forms (Appendices 1a-c) should be returned to the sealed boxes located in the Regina Coeli and St Elphege's school offices. Please note, nominations will close at 10am on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025.

The school office is happy to print the appendices for you, should you require it.

If you have any questions about the role of a school governor or the work that our Local Governing Body undertakes, please speak with Mrs Christoforou, or me and we will be happy to help.

With thanks & best wishes

**Martin Jones**

Executive Head Teacher

### Instagram

We are excited to announce that we are now on Instagram.



Please follow us:

[https://  
www.instagram.com/  
reginacoelicatholicprimary/](https://www.instagram.com/reginacoelicatholicprimary/)

### Breakfast Club and After School Club

Breakfast Club and After School Club MUST be paid in advance before the children attend. If a debt is showing on your ParentPay account, the children will NOT be allowed to attend until the account is in credit.  
Thank you

### School Dinner

The school dinner menu is on the website. Next week will be week 3.  
Thank you.

### School Uniform

Children will be wearing summer uniform after the Easter holidays.

That means a green and white checked dress with white socks or a polo shirt and grey shorts, with a green jumper or cardigan. Children should only be wearing **school shoes**. Our school fleece makes a very good transitional summer jacket– please no jean jackets. We have seen an increase in very fancy backpacks being used– please ensure your child has -In KS1 a **Regina Coeli book-bag** and in KS2 a **Regina Coeli Backpack**. Please encourage your children to keep to the school uniform. This is an important outward sign of respect for our school and our values.

**Thank you**

**Dress**



**Playsuit**



## Science Week 2025: Exploring Growth and Change!

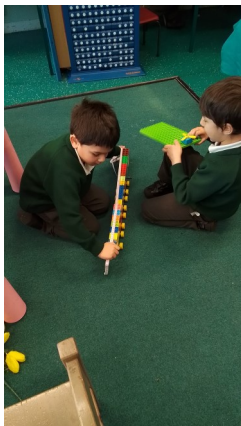
From March 17th to 21st, our school was buzzing with excitement as we celebrated Science Week with the theme **"Growth and Change."** Pupils across all year groups took part in hands-on activities and experiments designed to explore how we grow, what influences our development, and the factors that help us become stronger and healthier.

Our younger students in Reception and Key Stage 1 brought in baby photos, sparking discussions about how they've changed over the years. Year 3 tracked their sleep patterns to investigate its impact on growth, while Year 4 explored the role of nutrition by keeping food diaries. Year 5 and 6 pupils focused on height, with Year 5 comparing their measurements to their parents and Year 6 analysing family averages to discuss inherited traits.

Other engaging activities included **measuring heights with different tools, testing jumping abilities, and creating posters about healthy habits.** The week concluded with a fantastic **whole-school assembly**, where students shared their discoveries and showcased their work.

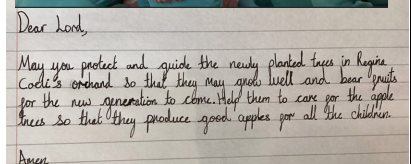
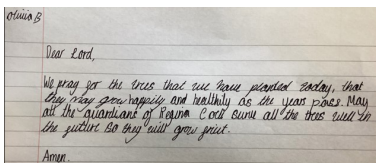
A big thank you to all the parents who contributed data and photos—your support made this week a huge success! A special thank you also goes to our dedicated teachers, who worked hard to make the activities both fun and educational, inspiring curiosity and excitement for science among our pupils.

Check out some highlights from Science Week in the photos below!



### Tree Planting

On Monday we welcomed Veolia back into school to tell the children all about their tree planting scheme. This initiative launched in 2022, donating fruit trees to schools in order to give young people a chance to experience the benefits of working with nature as well as improving local biodiversity. We have been lucky enough to receive a donation of 5 apple trees and on Wednesday the Stewards of the Earth and members of our school parliament took part in a tree planting ceremony to plant them around the school. Four trees have been planted in the orchard and one by the Year 3 and 4 classrooms. In the assembly we learnt how to take care of them and we are hoping they will bear fruit in about 4 years time. The children said prayers around the trees as Mrs Storey added ashes from Ash Wednesday to their roots. Olivia and Niamh from Year 5 have written their prayers down for us all to reflect on.



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Dear parents,

On Tuesday, Kevin Lawler from CAFOD came to talk to the children about the excellent work the charity does around the world to help those in need and to launch our Big Lent Walk for 2025.



The children, from Reception to year 6, will be taking part in this excellent fundraiser to help raise money for our global family. We have done so well for the last few years, and this year, we will be aiming for the children to beat their last year's total length walked.

The walk will be taking place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. The children will be walking around our orchard and on the Purley Way field adjacent to the school.

Please ensure the children have trainers in school on the day and a suitable coat (or sunhat, weather depending!)

We would really appreciate any sponsorship for the children's efforts, no matter how small. This helps CAFOD to continue the excellent work that they do supporting those most in need.

Kevin told the children about some very special 'Glitter Chickens' in Western Africa. Each cost £4.20 and we would love to help provide those in need with as many chickens as you can. Perhaps your children could try and raise enough for 1 or 2 chickens!

Our Just Giving link is below; the page is open now for donations. If you would rather donate cash, please hand it to the office in a labelled envelope and it will be added to our just giving page.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/regina-coeli-big-lent-walk>

We thank you in advance for your generous support.

Mrs Storey

