



SMSC & CITIZENSHIP 2025



LIVING IN HARMONY



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Let Us Pray, Together...

Dear Lord, we thank you for a new year – a time of renewal. A journey towards knowing our call to find hope for our own lives and become bringers of hope to others.

Help us remember that our work will only be fruitful, when we work collaboratively – no-one is an island. No-one must stand alone.

Help us to learn that to impact the world positively, we have to be positively impacted by God's call to bring hope, to those who need to be reminded of our journey to live in harmony.

Each relying on the skills, talents, knowledge and expertise of everyone, to be the change we want to see in the world.

Move in us and through us, as we become YOU to those in need of US to live harmoniously. Amen

CATHOLIC PILGRIMS VISIT ROME'S HOLY DOOR

A pilgrim is a person who goes on a Sacred Journey often with a religious or moral purpose, usually to a foreign land or Holy Shrine.

Examples:

Muslims go to Mecca

Hindus go to the Ganges

Sikhs Go to Amritsar

Catholics go to Lourdes

When you make a special journey to a place you consider sacred, you are a pilgrim.



Many Catholics made a Holy Pilgrimage to St. Peter's Basilica at St. Peter's Square- in Rome for the opening of the **HOLY DOOR** for the **Jubilee Year of HOPE 2025.**

Mrs Carver Was A Pilgrim In Rome In December 2024 and Walked through The Holy Door



SMSC/CITIZENSHIP THEME 2025 :

Living In HARMONY

How does this image depict harmony? Discuss
On your mobiles, can you find a scripture reading about harmony? Kindly share your reading...

This year is also being celebrated as a HOLY JUBILEE Year under the theme: **Pilgrims of Hope**

Let us explore the official banner for
THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025





Symbolism in the Jubilee Banner

What might the anchor represent?

What does the cross mean?

Why do they hold it high and so tightly?

Why are they above the sea?

Who are these 4 people?

What do the colours represent?

Official Jubilee Logo Meaning:

The logo chosen for the **Holy Jubilee Year of Hope** depicts **four stylised and graceful figures**, in four colours that recall the shades of the rainbow: **red, orange, green, and blue-God's Sign of Covenant with all humanity**

The choice of colours are the **colours of sacred vestments** worn by priests throughout the liturgical year.

Red: symbolizes **love, passion, and self-sacrifice: Saints** who died for their faith, **Christ's sacrifice** and **His boundless love for all humanity**, but also the **fire of the Holy Spirit** and His strength that animates Christians.

Orange : expresses joy, vitality, and enthusiasm, the light that illuminates the path of faith.

Green: is universally recognised as the colour of **hope, growth, and rebirth.**

Blue: symbolises **faith, peace, and tranquillity**, evoking the endless expanse of the sky and our capacity for spirituality- inviting contemplation and prayer



When you go on a pilgrimage, you do not travel alone. You are with people of the same mind, with the intent to deepen your faith and stay grounded.



The anchor is a Christian symbol for **hope** and **steadfastness**. The source for this symbol is in Hebrews 6:19 ***“Hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast.”***

Anchors are a strong ancient Christian symbol and are found in many inscriptions in the catacombs/tombs of Rome.



We can all be Pilgrims of Hope (in 2025), so let's start our journey right now! Pope Francis says: *“By our actions, our words, the decisions we make each day, our patient efforts to sow seeds of beauty and kindness wherever we find ourselves, we want to sing of hope...and reawaken in every heart the joy and the courage to embrace life to the full.”* The knock on the Holy Door symbolizes the release of graces and removal of obstacles in union with God. Jesus opens the door to salvation setting into action *Remission of temporal punishment for all pilgrims' sins* = An indulgence or Special Gift of forgiveness from GOD

HOW DO OUR CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS FOSTER HARMONY?



COMMON GOOD
(Thinking of everyone)



DISTRIBUTIVE JUSTICE
(Sharing fairly)



HUMAN DIGNITY
(Everyone is special)



PARTICIPATION
(Taking part)



PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR
(Putting people in most need first)



PROMOTING PEACE
(Being peacemakers)



SOLIDARITY
(Showing we care by working together)



STEWARDSHIP
(Caring for God's Creation)



SUBSIDIARITY
(Everyone should have a say)

HOW DO OUR BRITISH VALUES FOSTER HARMONY?



Themed assemblies
Rewards and opportunities to celebrate success

Students know and understand the rules of the school and our secure environment.

Rules and expectations are clear.



Student Leadership Team
Student Council
Prayer Leads
Students can have a voice -decision-making
Children use their voice responsibly
Children work well with members of staff



Children work in ability groups in raise their standards

The school encourage independent learners
Children work with collaboratively
Students have leadership roles
Students understand that everyone has boundaries to be respected

Children learn to think maturely and independently through



Inspirational RHSE lessons
Involvement in community events
Cultural awareness weeks
Enrichment opportunities
A diverse communities -black history month
We welcome all faiths
We celebrate our heritage and other people's religion
We respect differences.



Respect yourself, the staff, one another and the community

In our diverse community every individual is respected in our school and our actions towards one another reflect this.

We recognise the importance of not only respecting each other but also one another.

WHAT CAN WE DO TO FOSTER LIVING IN HARMONY?

LIVING IN HARMONY.”

Philippians 2:3-4:

“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the service and interests of the others.”

“I see. I stop. I touch.” said by Fr.

Victor 4 years ago.... explaining

HOW JESUS GAVE HOPE:

Through the remission of sin to:

-The Lady who was to be stoned

-Zaccheaus the Tax Collector

- The Ten Lepers

-Peter who betrayed him

-The Prodigal Son

-Thomas who doubted & challenged

-The Roman Soldier who pierced him

RE TEAM: Mrs. Moore, Miss Wade, Master Chan, Mr. Hodges, Mrs. Oforiwaa, Mrs. Antao, Mr. Curran, Mr. Ahmed, Mrs. Uthman, Mrs. Koti, Ms. Robinson and Mr. Ho

FAITH IN ACTION WORK

Whole School & Choir
Learn Theme Song for
Jubilee Year & Working
in Harmony

-Year 6 Class
Assembly

SMSC Launch Friday

17th January

WE WILL...

- Display A **Pilgrim of Faith** banner on school gate:
- **Visit other Faith Communities:** Gurdwara, Mosque, Hindu Temple, Anglican Church
- **Journeys:** Visit the aged at **Peabody's** & at local **Care Homes**

Visit The Docklands... to explore the East London Gateway that brought Pilgrims here

Make Monetary contributions: to CAFOD and other Projects and Agencies

- **Donations of Food and tangible items to:** St. Martin's Food Bank, Enabled Living, Magpie Project, St Antony's Bread for the Homeless
- **Draw Our Holy Door** on the partition in the Staffroom to represent ' Jesus knocking on The Doors of our Hearts. **Pupils to Design their Own Holy Doors for ART &DT**
- **Living in Harmony- PLAY DAY IN THE PARK :** Laudato Si (CTs to plan a feasible days)
- **Interview with Father Arnaud** who is going on a pilgrimage to the Sahara Desert.
- **Conduct a long distant interview** on-line if possible with **Father John Jesus** who is on his sabbatical in South America.
- **Promote Eco-friendly & Sustainability Actions** with Miss Rubin & Mr Hodges:

Culminate with WEAR RED DAY on 14th February 2025

**SMSC WRITING TOPICS TO BE DONE WEEK OF 10th TO 14th
ENDING ON WEAR RED DAY IN CLASS- IN **TEN TEN BOOKS ON
TOPIC : I AM A PILGRIM or I AM A PILGRIM OF HOPE****

- **CLASS POEM ON:** I AM A PILGRIM or I'M GOING ON A PILGRIMAGE**EYFS in the style of "We're Going On A Bear Hunt"**
- **POEM:** USE THE WORDS **PILGRIM AND HOPE** - TO WRITE ACROSTIC POEMS**YEAR 1**
- **WRITE A LETTER OF GRATITUDE :** THANK YOU GOD FOR GIVING ME HOPE-.....**YEAR 2**
- **INSTRUCTIONS ON:** HOW TO PREPARE LIVE IN HARMONY WITH OTHERS**YEAR 3**
- **PERSUASIVE LETTER TO A FRIEND:** A PILGRIMAGE WILL BUILD MY/YOUR FAITH**YEAR 4**
- **INFORMATION LEAFLET ON:** HOW LIVING IN HARMONY WILL BUILD HOPE & PEACE **YR 5**
- **PERSUASIVE WRITING ON :** HOPE IS THE BEST TOOL TO HAVE AS A FAITHFUL PILGRIM **YR 6**
- **CLASS RAP:** I AM A PILGRIM/ I AM A PILGRIM OF HOPE **YEARS 1 - 6**

Class Teachers To Choose 4 best pieces of work from your class. Best samples from classes to be edited and up-levelled and published- to be included in the portfolio for OLOG MAT PRESENTATION & CLASS DISPLAYS

***Remember that as discussed in the staff meeting-you can choose do a different writing genre than listed for your cohort but let me (Miss Wade) know of the changes made.**

TIME

TAKE TIME OUT OF THE CLASSROOM TO VISIT OTHER FAITHS.

TO INVITE ORGANISATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL TO PRESENT THEM WITH 'GIFTS'?

TO LEARN TO ACCEPT AND RESPECT OTHER PEOPLE'S DIFFERENCES AND FIND SIMILARITIES AS WE ARE ALL **LIVE IN HARMONY**



TALENT

Year 6 Assembly Launch in January

CLASS TALENT SEARCH ACTIVITY ON WEAR RED DAY AFTER LUNCH—explore the talents our children have in class – identify that all talents are given to us by God. Not everyone will have the same talents; we use them to achieve great goals:

ART & DT :CHILDREN TO- Design Valentine's & Mother's Day Cards for their family, Magpie Centre Mums, Refugee And Migrants' Programme (RAMP) & the Aged At Peabody & Westgate House.

'CONVERSATIONS WITH'AT ASSEMBLY:

An Audience With... Father Arnaud, Father John-Jesus, members of Enabled Living (BSL)

WEAR RED DAY : 14th FEBRUARY 2025

OLOG MAT: DEBATE Yrs. 5 &6

OLOG CHARITY FAIR TRIPS & VISITS-Yrs. 2-4

TREASURE

Along with purchasing and donating a range of non-perishable food products, self-care/personal items and toiletries

Magpie Project/ St. Martins / Newham Community Food Bank

there will be a **CLOTHES DRIVE**

OTHER ACTIVITIES TO RAISE FUNDS -

During Lent raise funds for : CAFOD & LOCAL and GLOBAL INITIATIVES TO BENEFIT OTHERS- TO HELP THE POOR KNOW WE ARE LIVING IN HARMONY BY SUPPORTING SPECIAL INITIATIVES



ART & DT LINK

Children In All Classes To Design Valentine's Day and Mother's Day Cards For Family & Our Special Friends



OTHER R.E. CONNECTIONS: MAKING LINKS TO BEING A MULTI-CULTURAL SCHOOL. WE LEARN TO RESPECT OTHER PEOPLE'S CULTURES & FAITH – FIND WAYS TO LIVE TOGETHER IN HARMONY; LINKED TO OUR CHRISTIAN & BRITISH VALUES....

TASK: THINK OF IDEAS THAT YOU CAN DO WITH YOUR CLASS TO BUILD HARMONY
Galatians 3:28 'There is neither Jew nor Gentile, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.'

- Imam from the Mosque on Romford Road, will welcome a mixture of KS1 and KS2 pupils.
- Another Imam will attend our assembly to speak with us (similar to our 'friendly audience with Father John Jesus' last year)
- Pupils to conduct a Question and Answer session.

- What can we share with our neighbours?
- What can we learn from our neighbours?

We have been here since 1862, how have we lived in Harmony with the wider community as a school and Parish? Reseach

R.E. LESSONS TO FURTHER DEEPEN OUR KNOWLEDGE

Judaism

Early Years – Hannukkah

Year 1 - Abraham and Moses

Year 2 - Shabbat

Year 3 - Synagogue

Year 4 - Torah

Year 5 - Passover

Year 6 - Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur

Islam

Early Years - Special days/ Ritual objects

Year 1 – Stories

Year 2 - Prayer/home

Year 3 - Places for worship

Year 4 - Holy Books

Year 5 - Beliefs and festivals

Year 6 - Belonging & Values

TEAM: MR. CURRAN, MRS. UTHMAN, MRS. OFORIWAA AND MS. WADE

St. Martin's & Masjid Ibrahim Food Banks

WHAT CAN YOU DONATE?

- Generic Toiletries AND Female toiletries
- Nappies and Wet wipes
- Tea and coffee
- Oil, Flour and Sugar
- Canned Peas and beans
- Canned vegetables
- Rice and Pasta
- UHT milk



**DONATION COLLECTION TEAM:
MRS. UTHMAN, MRS. ANTOA, MR.
AHMED AND MISS ROBINSON**

WHAT CAN YOU DONATE?



- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Shower Gel
- Liquid laundry soap
- Sanitary pads and Baby wipes
- New woolly hats & gloves for under 5s
- Deodorant for women
- Socks for women and children under 5



Everything Donated Is Really Needed By Specially Selected Partners Within Our Local Community Including St Antony's Parish

**ON WEAR RED DAY
Everything We
Collect Goes to Our
Chosen Charities
Bringing HOPE**

