

## Little acts, great love, big difference



St Catharine's  
Chipping Campden



St Joseph's  
Nympsfield



Catholic School of St Gregory  
The Great, Cheltenham



St Peter's Primary  
Gloucester



The Rosary  
Stroud



St Thomas More's  
Cheltenham

### St Catharine's

Parishioners of St. Catharine's Church in Chipping Campden were joined by children and staff from our LWCET school, St. Catharine's Catholic Primary, on Monday 21st October to plant a tree in the church grounds to commemorate Fr Brennan's recent Diamond Jubilee. The tree chosen was an Irish Yew to recognise Fr Brennan's Irish roots.

After blessing the new tree, Fr Brennan added soil to the hole. Fr Brennan was followed in doing so by Poppy Dunn, of Greene Class, the youngest pupil in the school. A number of generations of Poppy's family have attended St Catharine's. All of the children were an important part of this milestone. A very special day for the whole Parish.



### St Joseph's



Huge congratulations to Mrs Howell and all at St Joseph's for being the first school nationally to gain the Asthma Friendly Schools award. Have a look at the film clip here: [Asthma Friendly Schools Short Version \(90secs\) \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

Their Macmillan Coffee Afternoon was also an incredible success. This was Year 3s giving activity for the term and they had so much fun planning and organising it. We raised £731.13 which is amazing! Thank you to all who supported and helped.

### St Gregory's

St Gregory's Year 5 and Year 6 children and staff have recently returned from two different residential trips.

The Y5s went to Kingswood and the Y6s went to PGL, Bo-reaton Park.

All of the children really pushed themselves to their limits. Many thanks to the staff who made it happen!



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A BIG BREAKFAST was held at St Peter's recently to celebrate and raise awareness of World Mental Health Day. Their chosen charity was Young Minds which raises awareness and provides mental health support for children and young people.

The big breakfast was attended by staff, children and families—a great success!



### The Rosary

The Rosary school have recently welcomed a large number of families from Southern India, who have enriched the school community with their vibrant culture and warm spirit.

The children have quickly settled into their classes and one of the new parents has joined the staff team as a lunchtime supervisor. We are grateful for these new families and look forward to many shared experiences ahead.



### St Thomas More

St Thomas More's have recently held their first Friends of St Thomas More meeting and had enough interest to create a core group. They have arranged their next meeting and planned some exciting events for the term ahead, both fundraising and social. We will watch excitedly for this group to grow—good luck!



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Exciting things to come...

### Catholic Social Teaching Principles

The main link between all of our LWCET schools is the Catholic foundations that they're built upon. Catholic schools teach and empower all stakeholders to live their lives inspired by seven Catholic social teaching principles. These are:

- ◆ Dignity
- ◆ Solidarity
- ◆ The common good
- ◆ The option for the poor
- ◆ Peace
- ◆ Creation and Environment
- ◆ The dignity of work and participation

Catholic social teaching (CST) is rooted in Scripture, formed by the wisdom of Church leaders, and influenced by grassroots movements. It is our moral compass, guiding us on how to live out our faith in the world. Our faith calls us to love God and to love our neighbours in every situation, especially our sisters and brothers living in poverty. Following in the footsteps of Christ, we hope to make present in our unjust and broken world, the justice, love and peace of God.

Over the next few months, we will be sharing more information about each of the principles and how they challenge us to see things from different perspectives in today's world. Watch out for these in the next LWCET newsletters.