

7th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers/Children,

[WORLD PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE DAY – WEDNESDAY 5th MAY 2021](#)

World Portuguese day was a wonderful experience for all the children and staff at The Federation of St Joseph's.

Each year group had a special assembly, with Ana our Portuguese language teacher. In addition to this the children had an opportunity to meet, via zoom Isabel Stilwell, a Portuguese author and journalist. As per usual our children were fantastic and asked Isabel a range of thoughtful questions. The sessions with Isabel were very inspiring.

The children have been enjoying their lessons very much, Therefore, from September 2021, I will be running a Portuguese language club after school for the pupils at St Joseph's. Further information will be sent next half term.

As a school we worked very closely with Ana from Cameos Instituto da Cooperacao e da Lingua Portugal. Ana has been working regularly with the children at St Joseph's for approximately a year and provided live zoom lessons to the children in the infant school during the national lockdown.

In addition to the support they provide local schools the Cameos Instituto da Cooperacao e da Lingua Portugal also hold lessons for the children of families who speak Portuguese, as their main language at home.

[Home - Camões - Instituto da Cooperação e da Língua \(instituto-camoes.pt\)](http://Home-Camões-Instituto-da-Cooperação-e-da-Língua-(instituto-camoes.pt))

We are currently liaising with the team and there may be an opportunity for lessons to be held at St Joseph's after school. If this is something you would be interested in for your child/ren, please complete the Google form below.

<https://forms.gle/WVSkAQE5PyksLTteA>

If you know of other families, in the local community, who speak Portuguese as their main language at home and may be interested in the lessons taught by Cameos please share the link with them to complete. The link will be open until 16:00 14/05/2021, following this we will liaise with the team to see if it would be possible for the lessons to be held at St Joseph's.

If you have any questions regarding the school Portuguese lessons or the lessons offered by Cameos please contact Mrs Gallagher deputyhead@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk

Thank you for supporting our school events.

Yours sincerely,

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