



ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette

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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
29th January
is
Proud.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 2A
for the best class attendance
in EYFS/KS1 this week with
99%. In KS2, congratulations
to Class 6B whose attendance
was 96%.

Can we please remind parents
to inform the school on the
first day of any absence and
to give an expected return
date. GP and dental
appointments should be made
after school whenever
possible.

**If your child is not going to
be in school please call the
office on 020 8985 0995
(option 1) to report their
absence. Please do this
before 9:00am on each day
of absence.**



Half-term holiday

School finishes for this
half-term on **Friday 9th
February at 3.30pm** and re-
opens on **Monday 19th
February at 9.00am.**

Wellbeing

Wellbeing News

If you have older children
(14-19 years) who may be
interested in joining a Youth
Council to work alongside
Health professionals in
Hackney to shape and to
learn about Mental Health in
Schools, look out for the
posters in the school
noticeboard in the
playground and in the office
reception area for further
information.

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There is a Parenting  
Programme specifically for  
African and Caribbean  
communities whose children  
may be experiencing  
emotional or behavioural  
challenges. The programme is  
run by Father2Father. It  
runs on Saturday mornings

11am-1pm and you can  
register through the  
website:

[www.father2father.co.uk](http://www.father2father.co.uk)

For further information, do  
check the school  
noticeboard or see Mrs.  
Frankland.



### Reading Ambassadors

'On Wednesday afternoon,  
we, the St Dominic's Reading  
Champions, went to Hackney  
Town Hall to meet with other  
Reading Champions from  
around the borough. We got  
the opportunity to tell other  
schools all about our amazing  
readers at St Dominic's  
Primary School plus we met  
the very talented illustrator,  
Sav Akyuz (Hackney's  
reading ambassador for  
2024) who showed everyone  
how to draw one of the  
characters from his book  
Hip and Hop. It was really  
fun.'

**Amiyah, Danela and Alexia  
- St Dominic's Reading  
Ambassadors.**



### Get vaccinated against measles

The MMR vaccine can prevent measles. It also protects you from [mumps](#) and [rubella](#). The MMR vaccine is offered to all children in the UK. 2 doses can give lifelong protection against measles, mumps, and rubella.

Ask at your GP surgery if you're not sure you or your child have had the vaccine. They can give it for free on the NHS



### Help with Gas and Electricity

One of our local Hackney Councillors has been in touch to discuss a new fuel cost initiative through the Fuel Bank Exchange.

If you are in receipt of Free School meals, have a pre-paid meter, and are happy for us to share your details with the charity you might be eligible for some assistance.

Please come and see Andrew Armstrong for more information.



### Lateness

Can we remind parents that the morning bell is rung at

9.00am for the start of the school day. The playground gate is locked at 9.10am and children arriving after that time will be marked as late for school.

They should report to the school office where they will be marked as present and recorded for school dinners.

School starts at 9... be on time!!



### Breakfast Club and After School Club

Breakfast Club runs from 8am-8.45am and costs £1.00 per day. Children will receive a variety of food choices which include, sausages, croissants, bagels, yoghurts and cereals. Please see Miss Mira or the school office for details.

After School Club runs each day from 3.30pm until 5.30pm and costs £10 per day. The club is open to all year groups and offers lots of fun activities. Please see Miss Currie or a member of staff in the main office if you have any queries.



### IMPORTANT: Providing the school with up-to-date details

Can parents please ensure that contact details are kept up to date. It is essential that we have current telephone numbers for at

least three adults who we can contact in case of illness, emergency or absence.

If you have changed your contact details recently please advise the school office immediately.



### Birthdays at St. Dominic's

Happy Birthday to the following children who will be celebrating their birthdays over the coming week.

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| Nursery   | Azarius & Peter    |
| Reception | Asileny            |
| Year 3    | Issabel & Precious |
| Year 4    | Adebola            |



### Fourth Sunday of the Year

Everyone knew Jesus as an ordinary carpenter, the son of Mary and Joseph; but Jesus was also the Son of God. In Sunday's Gospel we hear how the people in Capernaum began to realise that there was something very special about Jesus of Galilee.

### Prayer

Help us to listen carefully to your words, Lord, and to keep them forever in our hearts.

Amen.