



ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette

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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
5th February
is
Encouragement.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class Year 2 for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 96%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 5A 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.**



KS2 Building

Please do not enter the KS2 school building before or after school without prior arrangement.

As part of our Safeguarding duty to all children, adults must wait in the playground with their child/children at the start and end of the school day.

If you wish to speak with a member of staff, appointments can be made at the school office.

Many thanks for your co-operation.



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.

ENERGY COST HELP



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.



Children's Mental Health Week 2024

Children's Mental Health Week 2024 takes place from **5-11 February**. This year's theme is 'My Voice Matters'. Do take a look at the links listed below to find support, advice and great ideas and resources.

Safer Internet Day also takes place during this week - **6th February**, so please take a look at the NSPCC link listed to gain helpful information.

In the digital age, where on-line interactions are an integral part of our children's lives, creating a safer internet is paramount to protect our children's mental health.

www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/resources

www.place2be.org.uk/about-us/childrens-mental-health-week

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety



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.

Reception	Ava
Year 1	Darrel
Year 3	Sarah
Year 5	Katie
Year 6	Anthony, Tamaarebipamoer & Soraia



Fifth Sunday of the Year
Jesus loves *all* people with a love so great that he died for us. Throughout his life he showed this love by curing the sick and making time to share with others.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
You are always ready to make time for others, especially those who come to you with worries or troubles.
Thank you for your love and goodness, and help me remember to make time to spend alone with you.

Amen.

