



ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette

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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
24th June
is
Independent



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to 2A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 98%. In KS2, congratulations to Year 4 whose attendance was 97%.

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.



MMR Vaccine

The MMR vaccine is the safe, free, effective, and best protection for

your children against Measles, Mumps and Rubella.

Measles cases are increasing and spread very easily amongst unvaccinated children. You can be protected from catching measles if you have had 2 doses of MMR vaccine, or if you have had the infection before.

For more information on MMR vaccinations visit:
<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine>



Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month (GRTHM) 2024
June is the month in which we raise awareness and celebrate Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Month! Our theme this year explores "What does family mean to you", looking at the different forms family can take - whether it's parents, grandparents, siblings, neighbours or friends. We are encouraged to broaden the definition of family, and consider the joy and safety these varied support networks can be. Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Month has a long way to go before it is celebrated far and wide, but at St. Dominics we are helping to take a step closer to creating a more inclusive local community and wider society for one of Britain's most marginalised communities.



African Community School

This parenting programme is specifically for parents from African Caribbean Heritage Community (ACH) whose children (9-18) may be experiencing emotional wellbeing or behavioural challenges at home or at school. The 12-week programme focuses on topics such as de-escalation, parental presence, reconciliation gestures, understanding parent' trauma and child trauma.

The programme runs within City and Hackney over a 12-week period.

All of the sessions are led by Facilitators from an African Caribbean background; all sessions are aimed to be inclusive and culturally sensitive to the needs of parents.



Summer Term.

Now that the warmer months are upon us can we remind parents that pupils can come to school in their summer uniforms. Children can wear their summer dresses or shorts and short-sleeved polo shirts.

Children should bring bottles of water to school on hot days and

should have adequate sunscreen to protect them during P.E. and playtimes.



Summer Fayre.

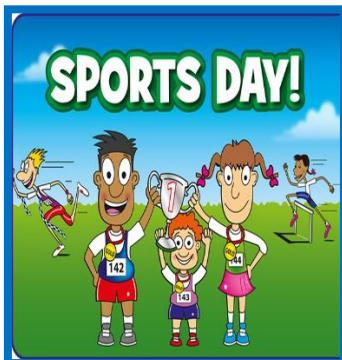
Our school summer fayre will be taking place on **Friday 5th July between 3.30pm and 5.30pm**. We hope the sun will be shining.

If parents have any items that they could donate for the tombola, then these would be most gratefully received by the school office.

Items could include:

- Non-perishable food and drink
- Toiletries
- Stationary
- Unused gifts

If any parents would like to sell goods or provide an activity at the fayre, then stall space can be purchased for £10 per stall at the school office.



KS1 and KS2 Sports Day.

This year's sports days will take place on the following days:

KS1 -Tuesday 2nd July-1.0am - 12am
at Mabley Green Astroturf pitches

KS2 -Wednesday 3rd July-10am- 12.30pm at Mabley Green.

Parents are invited to come along and support this exciting event. Please ensure your child wears their P.E. kit, including trainers, drink, hat and sunscreen.



Nursery Applications

Do you have a child who is three and needs a nursery place?

If the answer is yes, then you should apply for a place in our nursery.

We offer part-time and full-time places.

All you need to do to enrol your child for a place in our nursery is come to the school office with your child's birth certificate and proof of your address.

'The youngest children get off to a flying start in the school's Nursery.'

Ofsted.



Summer Camp

St Dominic's will be hosting a summer sports camp over the six-week break.

The camp will run from 29th July to 22nd August,

There will be lots of fun activities and trips out.

Places are limited to 50 pupils, so places will be offered on a first come, first served bases.

Please see the attached flyer from St Andrews, where you can find the email address to apply.

Preference will be given to pupils who are in receipt of Free School Meals



Holidays during term time

The Local Authority is carrying out greater scrutiny of pupils who take holidays during term time. Please note that we cannot authorise holidays taken during school time.

While we appreciate how much you value time spent with your children, we cannot grant any leave of absence from school during term time. Removing your child during school time will affect their education. Please support us by not booking family holidays in term time.



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 | Kacey & Lorcan |
| Year 4 | Marcus |
| Year 5 | Elizabeth |



Twelfth Sunday of the Year

The Sea of Galilee is really a large freshwater lake which at most is approximately 12 miles long and 8 miles wide. Sometimes its calm blue waters are whipped into violent storms by sudden strong winds. One night, as Jesus and his disciples were sailing across the sea, such a storm suddenly began to rage.

Prayer

The Lord says:

'Do not be afraid because I am always with you.

With me by your side you have nothing to fear.

I will protect you from harm and save you from danger.'