



ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette

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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
1st July
is
Responsibility



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Year 2 for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 97%. In KS2, congratulations to 6A whose attendance was 95%.

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.



Summer Holidays

Please note that school will close for the summer holidays at 2.00pm on Friday 19th July. Children return to school on Tuesday 3rd September at 9.00am.



Year 6

We will be celebrating our Year 6 Leavers' Mass on Friday 12th July at 10:30am in the Immaculate Heart of St. Mary & St. Dominic. Parents are welcome to attend.



Year 6 Parents - Supporting your child's transition to secondary school

There will be a parent coffee morning on Tuesday 9th July at 9.30am. It will be hosted by the Wellbeing and Mental Health team at St. Dominic's - Dr Roisin Curtin, Eva Labeza and Ms. Frankland.

Refreshments will be provided and you will have the opportunity to chat, raise any questions, advice and worries that you may have about the transition to Secondary school.

Do join and let's support each other on this part of your child's life journey.



KS1 and KS2 Sports Day.

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

KS1 - Tuesday 2nd July - 10am - 12am

at Mabley Green Astro turf 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.



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.



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.



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.

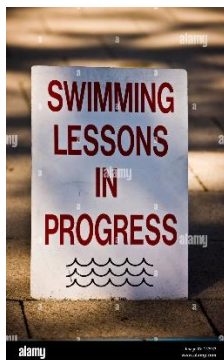
While we appreciate how much you value time spent with your children, we cannot grant any leave of absence from school during term time. Removing your child during school time will affect their education. Please support us by not booking family holidays in term time.



10 x 10 Launch - Free Family Event

Families and Children are invited to a free family friendly event, the launch of 10x10 on **Wednesday July 10th**, at The Assembly Rooms, Hackney Town Hall at 4.15pm - 6 pm.
What is 10x10? 10x10 is a new initiative to support every child in Hackney to achieve 10 amazing

activities by the time they are 10 years old. Join them to find out more! There will be refreshments, resources, workshops and performances. Learn about free Summer holiday activities and meet providers connected to the 10x10 including the BBC, Sadlers Wells, Historic Royal Palaces, V&A Museum, Farms for City Children, Badu, The Old Vic, Debate Mate, Epping Forest Education Team and many more. This will be a child friendly event.



Free swimming Lessons

10x10 and Better have partnered up to offer children in Hackney in Years 5 and Year 6, who haven't yet learnt to swim confidently, the opportunity to have 2 weeks of intensive swimming lessons in Hackney pools in Better Leisure Centres this Summer, funded by Sport England.

The 10x10 funding includes swimming costumes, goggles and swimming hats (including soul caps for braided hair). It also includes membership for the child to their local pool for a year along with free swims for parents/carers to help develop swimming confidence. **Please sign up.**

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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.

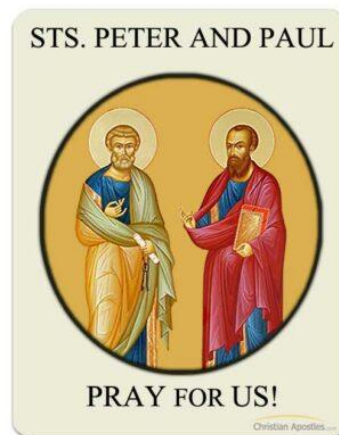
Preference will be given to pupils who are in receipt of Free School Meals



Birthdays at St. Dominic's

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

Year 3	Tien
Year 4	Kidus
Year 6	Luani



Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

On Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. St. Peter was the 'rock' on which Jesus built his church; his faith was a great source of strength for the early Christians. St. Paul was a missionary, whose aim in life was to share the Good News that had transformed his life. Together they were the greatest leaders of the early Church.

Prayer

Lord, give us the faith and courage of Peter and Paul, and help us in our own way to carry the word of God to others.

Amen.