

ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
11th June
is
Ambition



Welcome back

A warm welcome back to everyone for the last half-term of the school year. We hope everyone had a good holiday and that the children feel ready for these final seven weeks! Here are just a few highlights of what will be happening this term:

- Phonics Screening Check Week
- Unprecedented Case Project - year 6
- Refugee and Arts Week
- Hackney Music Festival
- Value Games
- Personal Best Finals
- Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul
- Reception trip to Kew Gardens
- Year 6 trip to Houses of Parliament
- Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Barbecue
- Primary/Secondary Transition Day
- Sports Day

and much more! Keep an eye out for events coming up in our newsletters which are also published on our website weekly.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 1B for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 100%. In KS2,

congratulations to Class 5B whose attendance was 98%.

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



Hackney Youth Showcase Event

On Tuesday 19th June between 5.30pm and 7.30pm, Hackney schools and friends will take over The Hackney Empire for one night only to perform and present songs, spoken word, dances, drama, speeches, artwork and much more in 'I Am Me', an event to celebrate PRIDE month.

Tickets are free and can be reserved at www.hackneyempire.co.uk or by calling the box office on 020 8985 2424.



Geffrye Open House Families Day

This Saturday, 9th June, the Geffrye Museum is hosting its exciting Open House Families day as part of Open City's family festival. The Geffrye Young Producers have been working hard over the past six months to plan a brilliant day of free family activities including design workshops and almshouse tours, and they are really looking forward to seeing it all come to life.

Visit <https://www.geffrye-museum.org.uk/whatson/events/families/weekend-activities-family-days/> or look at the flyer on our school noticeboard for more details.



Launchpad for Language Workshop

Our next Speech and Language Launchpad for Language workshop will take place this Tuesday, 12th June between 9.15am and 9.45am in the KS1 hall. The theme is *Learning through Stories* and Miss Lizzy will share some great ideas on how to use stories to enrich children's vocabulary. The workshop is primarily for parents of pupils in Reception but parents from other years groups are also very welcome to attend.



Special Diet Request form

We have recently sent out Special Diet Request Forms to pupils who we know have allergies or intolerances to certain foods. If you have not received a form but your child has any food allergy or intolerance then please see a member of the staff in the main office for a form.



Care Plans

This term, our school nurse will be sending out care plans to the parents of some of our pupils. If you receive a care plan it is **extremely important** that you read, amend (if necessary), sign and send it back to the school as soon as possible. If you have previously received a care plan but have not returned it then this

should also be sent back to the school as soon as possible.

Shop Well For Less?

Be on a TV show!

The prime time TV show *Shop Well for Less?* is currently on the lookout for families and households who would like to save some money on their monthly spend.

The series shows viewers how to spend without the splurge, helping to rein in spending but retain the lifestyle we all want. With a few simple tricks, we can all learn to buy better and spend less. When should you save your money? And, just as crucially, when should you invest in spending a little bit more? This fun, surprising and perfectly practical series teaches us all the tricks of the trade we need to shop well for less.

If you are interested in applying to be on the show, or for more information, please email

shopwell@rdftelevision.com or call

0117 970 7670. You can also visit the

show's Facebook page at

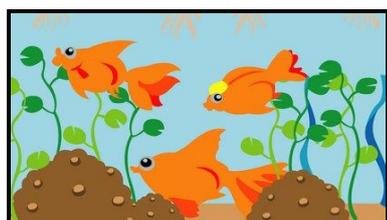
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Vaughan Centre for Young Musicians

The Vaughan Centre for Young Musicians, held from 4.30pm-6.30pm, on ten Mondays each term offers primary school age boys (years 4-6, ages 8-11) the opportunity to extend their music curriculum and receive specialist instrumental and choral tuition. Audition for September 2018 will be held in July 2018.

Application forms and further details are available from our main office, the Vaughan on 020 7605 0046 and online at www.cvms.co.uk. There is also a poster on our school noticeboard. The closing date for applications is Friday 22nd June.



Home needed for goldfish!

Two members of our Reception classes - Spotty and Goldie the goldfish - are looking for a temporary home over the summer holidays! Food and all equipment will, of course, be

provided. If you are able to offer a home to our fishy friends over the summer then please see Miss Nayda in Reception B.



Dressing Up Clothes

If any parents have any old dressing up clothes that their children have grown out of, we are more than happy to take them off your hands. There are many occasions in school where our children dress up and, as we currently have a limited supply of costumes, all donations would be gratefully accepted.



After School Club

Looking for some interesting and fun activities or help with your homework at the end of the school day? Then our after school club might just be for you!

The club runs from 3.30pm till 5.45pm daily at a cost of £10 per day and is available for all year groups. If you would like further information, please contact Miss Currie or speak to a member of staff at the main office.

Below is a weekly timetable of the activities we have on offer in our after school club.

| DAY | ACTIVITIES |
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| Monday | Arts & Crafts Board Games Chill Zone |
| Tuesday | Film Session Arts & Crafts Outdoor Activities |
| Wednesday | Board Games Arts & Crafts Team Activities/ Outdoor Activities |
| Thursday | Film Session Board Games Outdoor Activities Chill Zone |
| Friday | Homework Arts & Crafts Team Activities |

School Dinners

School dinner money

Dinner Money for the week is currently £10.50 which must be paid at the beginning of every week. If payment is not made you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch.

When you are paying dinner money into the office, please put money in an envelope with your child's name and class clearly marked.



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 | Jasmine-Sarah |
| Reception | Isla |
| Year 1 | Angelica, Javonte, Godwin, Dylan, Demar'che & Jo-Ann |
| Year 5 | Tyrell & Ava |
| Year 6 | Benard & Daniel |



Tenth Sunday of the Year - B

Jesus was constantly filled with pity when he saw the crowds who came to listen to him preaching and to be healed by him. He never turned the people away even if this meant that he was so harassed that they did not allow him the chance to eat or rest. In Sunday's Gospel we hear about just such an occasion when he was visiting his family home in Nazareth.

Prayer

Loving Father, accept our prayers and help us to remember that as your children we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. We ask this in the name of your beloved Son. Amen.