

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
16th July
is
Positive Thinking



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class Rec A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 95%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 6B whose attendance was 98%.

Congratulations to Benita 3B who won the 100% attendance raffle prize for this term and received a World Cup book of facts. Also, well done to all those children who have achieved 100% attendance for the entire academic year. They all received a special certificate at assembly.

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.



Year 6 Leavers Mass and Disco

On Wednesday our year 6 leavers' Mass, BBQ and disco took place. The Mass was led by Father Tony and year 6 and ended with presentations of rosary beads to all of the year 6 children. At the end of Mass, each child released their balloon with their hopes and prayers for the future. It

was a wonderful sight enjoyed by everyone and Christian in Class 4B said it was like 'St Dominic's magic floating in the air'.

A barbecue and disco followed in the afternoon and all the children looked fabulous.

Many thanks to Miss O'Grady for all her work preparing the year 6 children for Mass, and to all who helped make the day such a memorable occasion. Good luck to all of you in your new schools.



KS2 Results

The Department for Education has recently published a leaflet for parents which gives information about the 2018 KS2 national curriculum assessment results. The leaflet details what information parents can expect to receive at the end of KS2 and how the results of the tests and teacher assessment judgements are used. Parents can view an electronic version of the leaflet by visiting <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/results-at-the-end-of-key-stage-2-information-for-parents>.



Year 5 Drama Workshop

Some of our year 5 pupils have recently had the opportunity to participate in a Haunted House

Drama Workshop at Cardinal Pole School.

The Associate Assistant Headteacher Mr Parker said of the children who took part, 'Thank you for coming to our Haunted House Drama Workshop. I was particularly impressed with how well you performed in the warm up games (are you sure you haven't played them before?) Also our Year 9 GCSE drama students were very impressed with your imagination and effort in the Haunted House activity.

We hope you all enjoyed your time at Cardinal Pole and look forward to seeing you all again soon.'



The Yard

Some of our year 5 children have been attending a drama workshop at Hub 67 all year and are starring in a performance along with pupils from Gainsborough Primary School on Tuesday 17th July at 4.30pm. Tickets are free and everyone is invited.

Transmission Space, devised and performed by Yardlings: Bigger (The Yard's company of 7-11 year old artists, along with director Ruby Thompson and writer Joe Harbot), is a new show about telepathy and making friends - about how we understand each other, and what it feels like to find connection.

Address: [67 Rothbury Road, E9 5HA](#). Hub67 is situated just 2 minutes' walk from Hackney Wick station.

Our nearest stations are **Hackney Wick** (Overground) and **Stratford** (National Rail, Jubilee & Central Lines & DLR).



Summer Raffle

The draw for our fabulous summer raffle will take place on Monday 16th July. Don't miss out on your chance to win one of these amazing prizes:

- £100 Shopping Voucher
- £50 Westfield Voucher
- Afternoon Tea for Two
- Three Course meal for Two at Marco Pierre White Restaurant.
- One wristband for Adventure Island Southend.

Plus many more fabulous prizes, so make sure you do not miss out and get your tickets from the office for £1 per strip.



Hot Weather

We are currently experiencing very hot temperatures and therefore would like to remind parents that children should now be wearing their summer uniform. Girls can wear their summer dresses and boys can wear 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.



After School Clubs

If your child attends one of our after school clubs, please note that the last session for this term will be on Thursday 12th July 2018.



School Uniform

Please note that in order to ensure you receive your new uniforms in time for the new term in September, you should place your online order with Tesco by 13th July and with Goodies by 31st July.



School Clothing Labels

Are you looking for an alternative to writing your child's name on their school uniform items? If so, labels which can be ironed onto clothing may be the solution for you. Prices start from 99p for 15 plain name labels or £1.99 for 15 printed name labels. 'Peel and stick' shoe labels are available too!

For more information, visit www.labelcreating.co.uk or contact Marion at labelcreating@gmail.com or on 07754 515586.

School Dinners Year 3 Pupils

School dinners for pupils entering year 3 in September

If you have a child going into year 3 in September, please remember that the universal free school meal entitlement will no longer apply. This means that if your child is not eligible for free school meals because you are not receiving certain benefits, then you will need to pay £2.10 per day (£10.50 per week) payable from Tuesday 4th September. If your child is eligible for free school meals, or if you're not sure about their entitlement, you should contact Hackney Learning

Trust as soon as possible to enquire about entitlement and to complete the relevant forms to assess your eligibility. Don't miss out - act now! It may avoid you having to pay school meal costs in September.



Birthdays at St. Dominic's

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

Year 1	Ariana
Year 3	Zion, Alina, Winniferd
Year 4	Sheldon
Year 5	Sophia, Keira



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.



Fifteenth Sunday of the Year Messengers for Jesus

Before returning to his heavenly Father, Jesus prepared his apostles to go out and share the Good News of God's love with the world.

Prayer.

Lord Jesus,
You chose the twelve apostles to bring your message to the world. You also chose to give each one of us life, and to welcome us into the family of God. Help us to share your message of love and truth with the people we meet each day.
Amen.