

# ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette



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### Summer Holidays

Please note that the school will close tomorrow for the summer holidays at **2.00pm**. Can we ask that all children are picked up on time.

### New Academic Year

The new academic year will start on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 9.00am. Please see below the full list of term dates for the next academic year which can also be found on our website:

### AUTUMN TERM

#### Start:

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
(*INSET for staff on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018*)

#### Half-Term:

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 -  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
(*INSET for staff on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018*)

#### End:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018  
(*Break up at 2.00pm*)

### SPRING TERM

#### Start:

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
(*INSET for staff on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019*)

#### Half-Term:

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019 -  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019

#### End:

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
(*Break up at 2.00pm*)

### SUMMER TERM

#### Start:

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

#### Half-Term:

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019 -  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

#### End:

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
(*Break up at 2.00pm*)



### Goodbye and Good Luck

This week, we sadly say goodbye to Mr Elliott, Mrs Toms, Ms Doughty, Miss Owen, Miss Hyland, Mrs Rahman, Miss French, Ekin Burnay, Alina Onea and PJ Mathison.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you for all your hard work, dedication and commitment to all the pupils at St Dominic's. We wish you all the very best in your future plans.



### Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 1B for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 97%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 5B whose attendance was 91%.

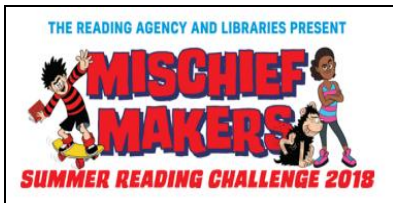
Can we please remind parents to inform the school on the first day of any absence and to give an expected return date. GP and dental appointments should be made after school whenever possible.



### Summer Raffle

The draw for our fabulous summer raffle took place at the beginning of the week and the winning numbers can be found below. If you're a winner and have yet to claim your prize, please see a member of staff in the school office.

	PRIZE	TICKETS
1	£100 Shopping Voucher	156-160
2	£50 Westfield Voucher	396-400
3	Afternoon Tea for Two	151-155
4	Three Course Meal for Two at Marco	416-420
5	£20 Westfield Voucher	486-490
6	£20 Westfield Voucher	201-205
7	£20 Westfield Voucher	401-405
8	£20 Westfield Voucher	166-170
9	£20 Westfield Voucher	301-305
10	£20 Westfield Voucher	371-375
11	Bottle of Baileys	126-130
12	£10 Greggs Voucher	281-285
13	£10 Greggs Voucher	386-390
14	Bottle of Red Wine	106-110
15	Bottle of Red Wine	176-180
16	Adventure Island Wrist Band	441-445



### Summer Reading Challenge

Once again, Hackney Libraries will be running the Summer Reading Challenge this summer.

The Hackney school which completes the challenge, and has the highest number of children reading 6 books, will be awarded an Annual Presentation Shield with the name of the school and the winning year engraved onto it, along with book vouchers worth £50. For more details, please visit:

<https://www.hackneyservicesforschools.co.uk/sites/default/files/document/HDS6332%20Summer%20Library%20Activities%20Guide%20FOLDOUT%20LEAFLET%20A5%20V5%20%7BHR%7D.pdf>



### Transmission Space - The Yard Theatre

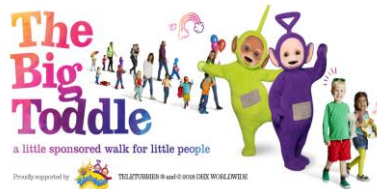
Congratulations to the year 5 pupils who participated in a very enjoyable theatre production at The Yard on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July. The children wrote, acted and helped to direct this theatre piece.

*This is a special place  
This is a magic place  
We can send messages here  
We can send messages with our minds*



### Outdoor Family Camping 2018

Hackney Quest have kindly forwarded the following details for any families who are interested in a camping holiday between 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> August at Green Farm, Ashford, Kent. A small contribution of £40 is requested, however, no-one is turned away due to lack of funds. For more details, call or text on 07813 879179 or email [info@outdoorpeople.org.uk](mailto:info@outdoorpeople.org.uk).



### The Big Toddle

Thank you to all the parents who came to 'toddle' with their children in the Foundation Stage on Tuesday morning. We have been supporting Barnardo's Big Toddle for eleven years and this year we have raised a staggering £729.16 so far!

Thank you, as always, for your continued generosity. We would like to give a special mention to our super fundraisers: Connor who raised £155, Shay who raised £90, Ayomide who raised £80, Lana who raised £70 and Janelle who raised £66. If you still have your envelope at home please ensure that you bring it to the school tomorrow.

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



### Dinner Money

Thank you to all the parents that have settled any outstanding dinner money debts. If you have yet to do so this debt will be carried over to September and your child will need to bring in a packed lunch from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you for your co-operation.



**Birthdays at St. Dominic's**  
Happy Birthday to all our pupils who will be celebrating their birthdays over the summer holidays.



**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.



### Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

Jesus was a hassled man!  
Wherever he went, there always seemed to be a crowd of people waiting for him. There were few opportunities for peace and quiet in his life, and yet he never became impatient or annoyed, and always made time for those who needed him.

### Prayer.

Loving Father,  
Help us to follow Christ's call to follow where he leads, trusting in the love of the Shepherd who shows us the way to your kingdom. We ask this through Christ your Son.  
Amen.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

### Head teacher's message

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the many ways you have contributed to the life of our school and shown your support throughout this academic year. I wish all pupils, parents, carers and staff an enjoyable summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back in September.  
Ms Finan