

# ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**  
word of the week  
commencing  
28th January  
is  
Proud



### Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 2A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 98%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 4B and 5B whose attendance was 100%.

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.



### Piano lessons

If your child currently receives piano lessons or you would like them to start. The cost is £7.00 per lesson. Lessons take place every Friday during school time.

Please pay £35 for the term to the office.



### National Storytelling Week

National Storytelling Week takes place this year between 26<sup>th</sup> January and 2nd February. This event is run by the Society for Storytelling (<https://www.sfs.org.uk>) and it aims to increase public awareness of the "art and practice and value of oral storytelling".

Telling stories to each other is the oldest way we have of passing on human history to each other. It helps us make sense of our lives, it creates new worlds for us to explore together - it is a time to stop, listen and enjoy the magic of words.

There will be many exciting events taking place, so check your local libraries and newspapers to sign up for a spellbinding moment of storytelling!

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/events/january/>



### Lateness

Can we remind parents that the morning bell is rung at 9.00am for the start of the school day. The playground gate is locked at 9.10am and children arriving after that time will be marked as late for school.

They should report to the school office where they will be marked as

present and recorded for school dinners.



### Launchpad for Language

Reception parents are invited to another exciting Speech and Language workshop with Miss Louise, our Speech and Language Therapist.

The theme of the workshop is 'Effective questioning to support speech and language development.' The workshop will take place on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 9am - 10am.** We look forward to seeing you there.



### Dental Hygiene Workshop - Reception Parents

We are very lucky to have been selected to take part in a Parent Workshop on Children's Dental Hygiene.

This will take place at 9.30am on **Wednesday 13th February.** The Reception parents who attend will receive goodies such as tooth paste and toothbrushes, along with a list of all NHS dentists in Hackney. We would love to see as many parents as possible at this session.



### Cash Payments

If you are making a payment for dinner money, any of the after school clubs or piano lessons. Please put the correct amount in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name and class. **Receipts for payments will be issued at the end of the school day.**

The office cannot accept cash unless it is in an envelope.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## 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.



### Early Collection of Pupils

We are not able to allow children to be collected early unless written documents are evidenced that require your child to attend a medical appointment. These must be shown prior to early leave being requested.

We know that you fully help us in ensuring that our children receive the best learning opportunities in school and we thank you for your support in this matter.



### Governors Fund - School Levy

As a Catholic Voluntary Aided School, we are required to contribute 10% towards all costs relating to the maintenance of and improvement to the children's classrooms, all other buildings and the school grounds, including the school gates and fencing to the playground, as well as any IT and other equipment used in the School, including the laptops and iPads.

Our School does not receive 100% funding from the Government.

This is why we ask all parents or guardians for a donation to the Governors Fund.

The donations remain at £30 per child or £45 for a family.

This fund is vital and makes a difference to our school and ultimately your child's education. Please make your donation in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class and take it to the school office.



### Community Cookery Classes 2019.

Made In Hackney deliver fun, supportive, often life changing courses in local food growing, cooking and composting skills. They work with local charities, community organisations, housing associations and support groups to ensure our courses are offered to people most in need such as low income families, children in care, teen carers, young people excluded from school, parents and children, and people suffering from diet related health problems.

Their pay-by donation, volunteer led Community Classes are a great way to learn a new cookery skill in a relaxed, fun setting. Workshops cover everything from Bread Making, Preserving, Budget Cooking, Indian Cuisine, Foraging, Food Growing, Fermenting and more.

To book email:

[info@madeinhackney.org](mailto:info@madeinhackney.org)

Or call 0208 442 4266



### **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.

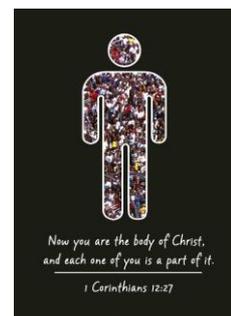
If you have changed your contact details recently please advise the school office immediately.



### Birthdays at St. Dominic's

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

Nursery	Canaan
Year 1	Connor
Year 2	Martina, Gamaliel
Year 3	Edrea, Sabellan and Patrick
Year 4	Remi, Empress, Afomia and Chanelle



### Third Sunday of the Year

Sometimes when we hurt ourselves, we realise just how often we use that particular part of our body. St. Paul reminds us that one body is made up of many parts, and that all of these are important in their own way.

### Prayer

Lord Jesus,

You call each one of us to belong to one people, the family of God. Help us, Together with our brothers and sisters, to share your love with the world.

**Amen**