

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
29th April
is
Making Amends.



Welcome back

We hope everyone had a joyful and relaxing Easter break and have come back ready to take on the challenges for this final term. This half-term will be a very busy one with the statutory national curriculum tests for children in years 2 and 6. We are also looking forward to the performance of *The Jungle Book* for the whole school next week and this terms WOW days.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 2A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 96%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 6B whose attendance was 96%.

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.



St. George's Day

On Monday we celebrated St. George's Day. For a £1 donation, children and staff came to school dressed in red and white. A grand total of £60 was raised and will be donated to the British Legion.



The Jungle Book Performance.

We are delighted to have M&M Theatre Productions performing *The Jungle Book* for the children on Thursday 2nd May. We are asking for a donation of £5.00 to contribute towards the cost of hiring the theatre company. We are sure you will agree that this is excellent value compared to the cost of going to the theatre. You can make your donation at the school office. Thank you to parents who have already done so.

Catholic Children's Society *Making A Difference*



Grand total

We now have a grand total for the money raised from your Lenten boxes, cake sale and own clothes day fundraiser for CCS.

An amazing £464.75 has been raised and we would like to thank you all for your generosity in supporting this worthwhile charity.



WOW! Day -Wednesday 1st May.

St Dominic's is delighted to announce the date for this terms WOW day.

Children are invited to dress up in clothes appropriate to their topic theme and spend the whole day enjoying projects, tasks and activities centred around their learning adventure.

Make sure you ask about your child's class theme - we can't wait to see all of the incredible costumes!



Summer Term.

Now that the warmer months are upon us can we remind parents that pupils can come to school in their summer uniforms. 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.



Choir Auditions

CALLING ALL SINGERS! Are you in Year 4 - 6? Would you like to join a choir formed of Hackney's most talented young singers? Would you like to perform at venues such as the Hackney Empire? Are you available to rehearse on Wednesdays 4.30-5.45pm? HBYC is an aspirational choir that meets weekly under the leadership of professional vocal tutors. Membership costs just £25 per term (£15 if you receive pupil premium funding). Auditions for HBYC will be held on Wednesday 1st May 2019 from 4.30 - 5.45pm at The Urswick School. If you are interested in taking part, please contact Kelvin at Hackney Music Service for an application form and to register for a place at the audition. (Please note you will only be able to audition if you have registered beforehand). Call 020 3076 1537, email kelvin.ghann@learningtrust.co.uk



KS2 Building

Please do not enter the KS2 school building to collect your child before 3.30pm without prior arrangement. As part of our Safeguarding duty to all children, adults must wait in the reception area for their child to be collected.



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.



First Holy Communion

Is your child preparing for their First Holy Communion this year? Are you still looking for an outfit? If so, Clothes Line may be able to help you. As well as suits and dresses, they also stock baptism gowns, prayer books, Bibles, daily and Sunday missals, rosaries, statues, cards and gifts for all Christian occasions. What's more, they will not sell the same dress to another child who will be making their First Holy Communion at the same Mass. For more details, look at the flyer on our noticeboard, go to

www.firstholycommunion.co.uk, call 020 8543 7721 or email sales@firstholycommunion.co.uk.



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



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.



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.

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| Nursery | Olasubomi |
| Year 1 | Maryam |
| Year 2 | Ayomide and Daniel |
| Year 3 | Gena, Ralik |
| Year 4 | Joseph, Victory |
| Year 5 | Gabriel, Vanessa |
| Year 6 | Miradie |



Second Sunday of Easter.

After the Resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples and offered them the gift of his peace. At the same time he sent them out into the world to preach his Gospel and to share this peace with others.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
Just as you shared your peace with us, help us to share it with each other;
So that our world may be filled with love and friendship.
Amen.