

ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
4th November
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Sharing



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 5A whose attendance was 88%.

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.



Victoria Park Fireworks Display - Sunday 3rd November 7pm.

Reach for the stars... celebrations to go off with a bang this Bonfire Night

The Mayor of Tower Hamlets will again be presenting a unique and dazzling free fireworks display in Victoria Park, and this year's display will be out of this world.

Organised by the council's Arts, Parks and Events Team and produced by Walk the Plank, this year's Guy Fawkes celebration will bring an exciting sci-fi vibe with a mix of both contemporary and classical tracks synchronised to a dizzying sequence of fireworks and special effects.

Blasting off at 7pm, residents can journey to the stars and enjoy a stunning display. The park will be open earlier in the evening with refreshments available to be bought on site from 5.30pm.



Poppy Appeal 2019

Our annual Poppy Appeal is now underway and we will be selling poppies from next week for 50p. All money raised will be donated to The Royal British Legion.



Nursery Applications

Do you have a child who will be three before the 31st December 2019 and needs a nursery place in January 2020?

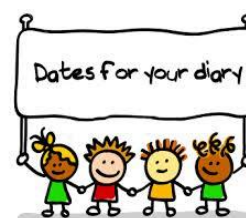
If the answer is yes, then you should apply for a place in our nursery. We offer part-time and full-time places.

All you need to do to enrol your child for a place in January is come to the school office with your child's birth certificate and proof of your address.



All Saints Mass

Today, Father Patrick celebrated our All Saints Mass. The Mass was led by year 5 and was a respectful commemoration of the holy and exemplary lives of all the saints who now watch over us from their rightful place in the Father's heavenly home.



WOW! Day - Wednesday 6th November.

St. Dominic's will be holding this term's WOW Day on Wednesday 6th November.

The 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!

Meet the Teacher

Parents' Meetings

Our parents' meetings will be taking place on the following dates:

EYFS/KS1 - Wednesday

13th November between 2.30pm and 6.00pm. Appointment lists for parents to choose a slot will be put up outside each classroom on Monday 4th November.

KS2 - Thursday 21st November

between 2.30pm and 6.00pm. Appointment lists for parents to choose a slot will be put up between Classes 1A and 1B nearer the date.

We encourage all parents to attend as these meetings provide an important opportunity for you to discuss your child's attainment and progress.



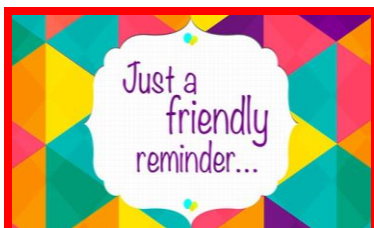
Children in Need

The BBC's Children in Need event takes place on **Friday 15th November**, and this year we are joining the 'Big Move' for Children in Need.

We are asking children to donate £1.00 to wear their P.E. Kits, sports wear, football or rugby kits and join in an activity session to get them moving with their class!

We will also be selling wrist bands and Pudsey pins at the school office, both are priced at £1.00.

Let's do good, and feel good TOGETHER!



Approaching Other Children

We have mentioned this previously, however I would like to remind all parents how important it is not to approach, or reprimand, any children other than your own family members. Please see a member of staff if you have any concerns relating to pupils of our school.



Piano Lessons

If your child currently receives piano lessons or you would like them to start. The cost will be £7.00 per lesson.

Please pay £56 for this term to the office.



P.E. Kits

Parents are reminded that children should come to school in their school uniform everyday. They will change into their P.E. kits in the classroom before their P.E. lesson.

Only Reception children are allowed to come into school on Thursday morning wearing their P.E. Kit.



Governors Fund

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.



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.

Nursery	Mervie
Year 1	Jedidiah, Michael, Michelle
Year 2	Victor
Year 5	Emily
Year 6	Daniel



Thirty-first Sunday of the year.

Have you ever been in a crowd where you could not see? Perhaps someone lifted you onto their shoulders to get a better view! In Sundays Gospel we hear how one man climbed a tree to see Jesus clearly.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, make our hearts more loving and ready to forgive others just as you forgive us.

Amen.