

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
11th November
is
Apology.



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 3A whose attendance was 98%.

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.



Poppy Appeal 2019

Our annual Poppy Appeal is now underway and we are selling poppies, snap rulers, wristbands, reflectors, pencils and erasers in the school office.

All money raised will be donated to The Royal British Legion.

After
School
Activities

Arts & Crafts Club and Football club.

Please note that there will no longer be any Arts & Crafts club or football and multisports clubs. Our after school club will run every day as usual.



After School Club

Our after school club takes place every day from 3:30-5:45pm.

The cost is £10 per day and the club is available for all year groups with lots of fun activities each day and help with homework. If you have any queries or would like further information, please contact Miss Currie or speak to a member of staff at the main office.



WOW! Day - Wednesday 6th November.

Year 1 to Year 6 enjoyed another fantastic WOW day this week. Children and staff dressed in clothes appropriate to their topic theme and spent the day enjoying projects, tasks and activities centred around their learning adventure.

The costumes were amazing and included:

Space, Safari animals, The Great Fire of London and Harry Potter.



Remembrance Service

This weekend we celebrate Remembrance Sunday and we will be holding our own Remembrance Service on Monday 11th November at 10.40am in the KS2 hall. Parents/carers are very welcome to join us.



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 are available outside each classroom.

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 on Monday 11th November.

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!



Food Allergies

Next week we will be contacting parents whose children with food allergies take a school meal. Our catering company, Chartwells, have asked that parents sign a dietary information form to ensure the continued good health of pupils with allergies. This form will not need to be completed for pupils who bring a packed lunch unless the children would like to eat the Christmas lunch in December.



Parent and Carer Online Toolkit (Childnet)

Childnet have updated their parent and carer toolkit that will help parents have conversations about online safety. Their booklet 'Let's talk about life online' includes ten key messages that should be shared with children:

1. "You can always come to me if you need help."
2. "What would you do if this happened...?"
3. "Remember that not everyone is who they say they are online."
4. "Keep your personal information safe, and other people's too."
5. "Be respectful to others online."
6. "Think before you post."
7. "Remember to ask if it's okay."

8. "Remember not everything is true online."
9. "The things other people post online might not always show what their life is really like."
10. "Recognise how going online makes you feel and take a break when you need to."

The Parent and Carer Toolkit can be found here: <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/parent-and-carer-toolkit>



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.



HLT Christmas Card Competition

Hackney Learning Trust has launched a competition for artwork to appear on their seasonal greetings card.

All entries must be either A4 or A5 portrait and include your name, class and school.

Entries should be sent to Thao Ngo, Hackney Learning Trust, Reading Lane. Hackney. E8 1GQ.

The deadline for your entries is Monday 25th November 2019. Good luck!



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.

Year 1	Josephine & Eli
Year 2	Alena & Maryetta
Year 3	Kamiyah
Year 5	Stephen & Briana
Year 6	Jordan



Thirty-second Sunday of the year.

The Sadducees were a group of priests who held the most important positions in the Jewish church. They did not believe in life after death, and were displeased that so many people were listening to Jesus, and believing what he told them.

Prayer

Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.'
Let us pray for all those who have died, that they will be raised to everlasting life and happiness.

Amen.

