

ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
18th November
is
Compassionate.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 2B for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 97%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 5B whose attendance was 99%.

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.



Remembrance Service

On Monday, we held our Remembrance Service to remember in a special way all those who lost their lives in the two world wars but in particular to remember the armistice on 11.11.19. The service was respectfully led by our year 5 pupils and Ms Finan and

ended with a two-minute silence at 11.00am.



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.



Children in Need

Today marks one of the nation's biggest annual fundraising events - BBC Children in Need - and this year we went all sporty and joined the 'Big Move' for Children in Need.

Children and staff wore their sports clothes and participated in an activity session with their class and the P.E. coaches .

Thank you to everyone who supported the event either through wearing sports clothes or through buying Pudsey pins and wristbands. So far, we have raised £205.00

Well done to everyone and a heartfelt thank you on behalf of all the children that your money will help.



Parents' Meetings

Our KS2 parents' meetings will be taking place on Thursday 21st November between 2.30pm and 6.00pm. Appointment lists for parents to choose a slot have been put up between Classes 1A and 1B.

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

Thank you to all parents who made appointments for the meetings held on Wednesday for EYFS and KS1.



Wednesday 20th November.

World Children's Day - Turn the world blue!

World Children's Day is UNICEF's annual day of action for children, by children.

This year is extra special as it marks 30 years of the Convention on the Rights of the Child - 30 years of child rights that

have helped transform children's lives around the world.

Landmark buildings around the world will be lighting up blue and we are asking children and staff to show their support of children's rights by wearing something [blue](#).

Lets all turn the world blue.
#WorldChildrensDay



Flu Nasal Spray Programme

The children's flu vaccine is offered as a yearly nasal spray to young children to help protect them against flu.

Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children, with potentially serious complications, including bronchitis and pneumonia. The vaccine is given as a single spray squirted up each nostril. Not only is it needle-free - a big advantage for children - the nasal spray is quick, painless, and works even better than the injected flu vaccine.

The vaccine is absorbed very quickly. It will still work even if, after the vaccination, your child develops a runny nose, sneezes or blows their nose.

Children from Reception class to year 6 have been given a consent form for the vaccination which needs to be returned by **Monday 18th November**. A team from the Hackney Immunisation Service will carry out the vaccinations on **Wednesday 27th November**.



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>



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!



Collecting children at the end of the school day.

We have recently noticed a steady increase in the number of children being collected late at the end of the school day. Can we kindly remind parents/carers that, all children must be picked up at 3.30pm. We appreciate that there may be times when delays are unavoidable and we would ask that you always contact the school if you know you are going to be late.

Unless you have contacted us beforehand, children who are not collected at 3.30pm will be brought into the after-school club

for which there is a £10 charge per day.



Moved address?
New email address?
Have a new mobile phone?

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.

Reception	Anarika
Year 2	Gabriella
Year 3	Morayooluwa
Year 4	Yannick
Year 5	Nhyira



Thirty-third Sunday of the year.

Jesus expects each one of us to share his message and the gift of our faith with other people. He will send his Holy Spirit to give us strength and courage, and will remember our goodness when he returns at the end of time.

Prayer

Heavenly Father,
Thank you for the gift of faith which each of us has been given. Help us to share it with whoever we meet.

Amen.