

ST. DOMINIC'S Gazette



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
6th January
is
Succeed.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 1A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 96%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 6A whose attendance was 97%.

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.**



School Holidays

We would like to wish all the children, parents/carers and staff a very holy and peaceful Christmas and New Year. We look forward to welcoming you back in 2020.



Spring Term

The new term will start on Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 9.00am.



Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas raffle was held yesterday and we are pleased to announce the winners below:

| PRIZE | TICKET NUMBERS |
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| Christmas food hamper | 411-415 |
| Dinner for 2 voucher | 751-755 |
| Westfield Shopping voucher | 571-575 |
| Westfield Shopping voucher | 666-670 |
| Westfield Shopping voucher | 711-715 |
| Family Portrait Voucher | 641-645 |
| Bottle of Baileys | 551-555 |
| Homemade Christmas Cake | 606-610 |
| Prosecco | 731-735 |
| Box of Biscuits | 741-745 |
| Box of Biscuits | 511-515 |
| Bag Sweets | 656-660 |
| Baseball Mitt | 726-730 |



Nativity and Carol Service

On Monday, KS2 held a moving service in which children sang carols and Christmas songs alongside the narration of the Nativity story by our year 5 pupils. The whole service was set against a tableau of beautiful Christmas images. Thank you again to all the parents and families who came to watch the service.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to Miss O'Grady, for organising the services and to everyone who took part or helped.



Advent Mass

On Wednesday Father Patrick and year 5 led our Advent Mass in the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Dominic. It was wonderful to see so many parents and families attending to join our celebration. As always, the children sang carols and Christmas songs beautifully which got everyone into the festive spirit. Many thanks to Miss O'Grady and to all who helped in organising the service.



After School Club

Our after school club will start on Tuesday 7th January 2020 from 3.30pm till 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.



Reception Class Applications for September 2020.

Please note that the closing date for Reception 2020 applications is **15th January 2020.**

All children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 **must apply before this date.**

Applications will need to be made on-line through The Hackney Learning Trust. Parents must create an account and complete an online application form; www.eadmissions.org.uk and you will need to complete a Supplementary form which you can collect from the school office and also provide your child's birth certificate, proof of address and their baptismal certificate. If you have any questions then please see a member of staff in the school office.



Hackney Music Service

The Hackney Music Service is delighted to be able to invite young musicians to take part in

the 17th annual Holiday Music course.

This year, the course will run during the February half term for three days on Tuesday 18th, 19th and 20th February 2020 at William Patten Primary School. If you wish to apply for any of the courses which include: Strings, Brass and Woodwind and Steel Pans. You will need to return a completed application form to musicservice@learningtrust.co.uk by Friday 7th February 2020. For more details please contact: Emilia Crawford 0203 0761534



Community Cookery Classes 2020.

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 their 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
Or call 0208 442 426



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 holidays and the first week of the new term.

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| Reception | Malakai, Isaac, James, Ceyla, Filipe |
| Year 1 | Oluwadarasimi, Jude, Ephraim, Aeesha, Ava |
| Year 2 | Malykai, Jarra |
| Year 3 | Shayla, Leonardo |
| Year 4 | Donart, Solomon, Odelia |
| Year 5 | Olamide |



4TH SUNDAY OF Advent

Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Before Mary and Joseph were married, the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and told her that through the power of the Holy Spirit, she was going to have a child. This child would be the Son of God.

Prayer

Lord keep your angel by my side,
To care for me and be my guide,
To be my friend throughout the years,
And keep me safe from harm and fears,
To stay with me each night and day,
So from your love I never stray.

Amen.