

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
18th October
is
Cooperation.



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 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.



Half Term

The school will close next week for half term from Thursday 21st October as **Friday 22nd October** is a school Inset Day and return on **Monday 1st November**.

A full list of term dates is available on the school website:

www.stdominics.hackney.sch.uk



Show Racism the Red Card - Change hearts, change minds, change lives.

This is the 25th anniversary year and more relevant than ever before. Wear Red Day is a national anti-racism awareness day and St. Dominic's are proud to be taking part. We are asking that everyone shows their support and comes to school wearing **RED** to show racism the **RED** card on the last day of term, **Thursday 21st October**.



Nursery Applications

Do you have a child who will be three before the 31st December 2021 and needs a nursery place in January 2022?

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.

'The youngest children get off to a flying start in the school's Nursery.'
Ofsted.



Spare Clothes for Reception Class

Do you have any spare trousers, skirts, socks, tights or underwear that you are able to donate to reception class? Ms Nayda is asking for donations of clean clothing that she can use for children who may need a change of clothes. If you are able to help then please see Ms Nayda. Thank you.



Speech and Language Workshop

Our Reception team had the pleasure to host the first Speech and Language Launchpad for Language workshop this year. It was a great success and the parents enjoyed meeting and chatting to Miss Alicia, our Speech and Language therapist. Well done to those who attended, more exciting workshops to come!



School Photographs

Our school photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 19th October** to take individual and family photographs. If you have not returned your slip indicating your photo preferences

for your child, then please do so on Monday. **Without your slip, we will be unable to photograph your child** To ensure that the sessions run smoothly and without delay, please ensure, as always, that your child is in full uniform.



Year 3 Swimming Lessons

As part of the Year 3 curriculum children in year 3 will be having compulsory swimming lessons starting Thursday 4th November. Letters will be sent to parents advising them of the arrangements.



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 1st November**. A team from the Hackney Immunisation Service will carry out the vaccinations on **Tuesday 19th November**.



Dental Visit - Reception & Year 1

On Tuesday 23rd November a team from NHS Community Dental Services will be in school to apply a fluoride

application for the children in Reception and Year 1.

Below is the link to the consent form which needs to be returned no later than **Thursday 14th October 2021** <https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/forms/dental-school-fluoride-varnish-programme-form/>



Coffee Morning for MacMillan

On Wednesday school staff took part in a Charity Coffee Morning to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Nurses. £127 was raised, bringing the total raised by St. Dominic's to an amazing £313. Thank you everyone!



Hackney School Streets

A school Street is where the road(s) outside of a school temporarily becomes a pedestrian and Cycle Zone during school opening and closing times, helping pupils walk and cycle to school safely.

Ballance Road, from the junction with Kenworthy Road to just beyond the school gates, operates as a Pedestrian and Cycle Zone between 8.30am-9.30am and 3pm-4pm, Monday to Friday during school term time only.

If you enter the School Street zone during the operating hours without a valid exemption, you may be subject to a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN).

We have been advised that the cameras will be operational shortly.

Parents should ensure that children arrive at school on time and not use the School Street zone operational times as an excuse to be late.



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.

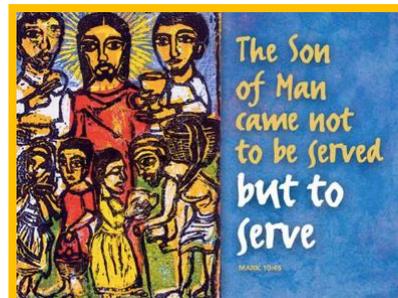
If you have changed your contact details recently, please advise the school office immediately.



Birthdays at St. Dominic's

Happy Birthday to the following children who will be celebrating their birthdays over the coming week.

Year 3	Rhikai
Year 5	Ruby Rose



Twenty-ninth Sunday of the Year

James and John went to Jesus to ask an important favour. They wanted Jesus to promise them a special place beside him in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Prayer

Jesus teach us to be loving and caring,
And to think of other people before thinking of ourselves.

Amen

