

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
31st October
is
Achievement.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 1B for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 96%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 6A whose attendance was 94%.

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

Today is the last day of this half term as tomorrow is a school Inset Day we return on **Monday 31st October**. A full list of term dates is available on the school website:

www.stdominics.hackney.sch.uk



Judaism Week

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As part of our R.E. topic which looks at other faiths, our pupils have been learning about Judaism. This week, all year groups attended workshops led by our visitor, Nina Leigh. At the sessions, Nina spoke to the pupils about Judaism and showed the pupils various artefacts.



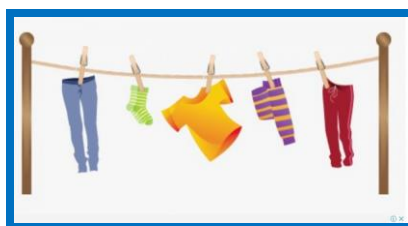
Nursery Applications

Do you have a child who will be three before the 31st December 2022 and needs a nursery place in January 2023?

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.

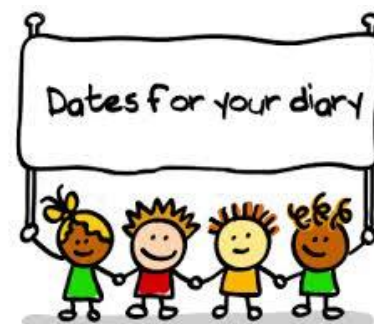
'The youngest children get off to a flying start in the school's Nursery.'
Ofsted.



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.



All Saints Mass

On Tuesday 1st November, Father Patrick will celebrate our All Saints Mass.

Mass will be held in the church at 10.30am if Fr. Patrick's painters have finished redecorating, if not, we will celebrate Mass in the KS2 hall.

We would like to invite parents/carers to join us to observe this Holy Day of Obligation.



WOW! Day – Wednesday 9th November.

St. Dominic's will be holding this term's WOW Day on Wednesday 9th 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!



Free Uniform Grant for Year 7
Hackney Council has a number of initiatives in place to help residents affected by the cost of living crisis; in particular the free uniform grant for year 7 pupils for parents and carers who are eligible you can find out more here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/13BCjmEHcFKXvZ5GD_tKLU9B1vfRRnyd3/view .



Table Top Sale

Get a cheap bargain! Children's, women's and men's clothes and accessories sold on Fridays at our table top sale.

Bring your change and grab a deal. Miss Slingsby will be running the sale most Fridays.

The money raised will be used to buy resources and playground equipment.



Free Drama Sessions

Immediate Theatre offer **free** after-school drama sessions for young people across Hackney. Their Kingsmead Olders group for young people aged 9 – 13 is based in Homerton

The sessions take place from 5.30 – 7.00pm at:
Kingsmead Community Centre,
9A Kingsmead Way,
E9 5QG

Call: Charmain 07525892953

Email: gavin@immediate-theatre.com



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.

The donations remain at £30 per child or £45 for a family. This fund is vital and makes a difference to our school and ultimately your child's education.

Please make your donation in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class.



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	Alessia & Lashaya
Year 1	Portia & Agie
Year 2	Dominion
Year 3	Eileena
Year 6	Abraham & John Paul



Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

One day Jesus told a story with a special message for those who were proud of their own goodness, and looked down on anyone who could not live up to their strict rules.

Prayer

Help us, Father,
To admit our mistakes and to turn to your love and forgiveness.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen