

# ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



**Issue 458 - Friday 17th March 2023**

Our **SEAL**  
word of the week  
commencing  
20<sup>th</sup> March  
is  
Unique/Special.



## Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 2A for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 95%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 4A 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.



## Parents' Meetings

Meetings will take place in the KS1 hall from 2pm until 5pm.

Appointment lists will be available outside class 1A.

**Year 5A ONLY** - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

**EYFS** - \*Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

**EYFS** - \*Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.  
\*See class teacher to confirm your day.

**Year 4** - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

**Year 3** - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

**Year 5B** - Meetings will be rearranged after the Easter holidays due to teacher absence. Date TBC.

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



**FRIDAY 17 MARCH**

**Red Nose Day - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Well done to all the children and staff that came to school with their red noses, dressed up as Super Hero's or dressed in red today.



## Reconciliation Service

As part of our Easter preparations, years 3, 4, 5 and 6 attended a Reconciliation service today led by Father Patrick in the church.

The service gives pupils the chance to reflect as they contemplate the solemn events of Holy Week.

## Catholic Children's Society *Making A Difference*



## Lenten Boxes

During the season of Lent, we have been focusing on fasting, giving and prayer. One of the special charities we have supported is the Catholic Children's Society Westminster.

We know that your small change can make a big difference to families in our community. Can you please return your Catholic Children's Society boxes by **Friday 31st March**.

Thank you.



### St. Patrick's Day

On **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March** the St. Patrick's Day Troupe will visit our school and treat us all to a performance of Irish music and dancing.



### Stations of the Cross

On **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March** at 10.00am, our KS1 pupils will be re-enacting Jesus' final moments with a procession of the Stations of the Cross around the school premises. The same procession will take place with our KS2 pupils on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** at 10.30am. Father Neil and Father Patrick will be leading the narration of the Stations of the Cross and parents are very welcome to attend.

## Catholic Children's Society

*Making A Difference*



### Catholic Children's Society Day - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

The Catholic Children's Society aims to raise money for local families who have fallen on financial hardship. In the past, funds raised have been used to help families within our own school community.



On **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** we holding a non-uniform day and asking children to donate £1. We will also hold a cake sale at break time with cakes on sale for 50p.

All monies raised will go to the CCS.



### Easter Holidays

Please note that school will close for the Easter holidays at **2.00pm on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> March**. The school will re-open for the summer term on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** at 9.00am.



### Early Collection of Pupils

We are not able to allow children to be collected early unless written documents are evidenced that require your child to attend a medical appointment. These must be shown prior to early leave being requested.

We know that you fully support us in ensuring that our children receive the best learning opportunities in school and we thank you for your help in this matter.



### 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.

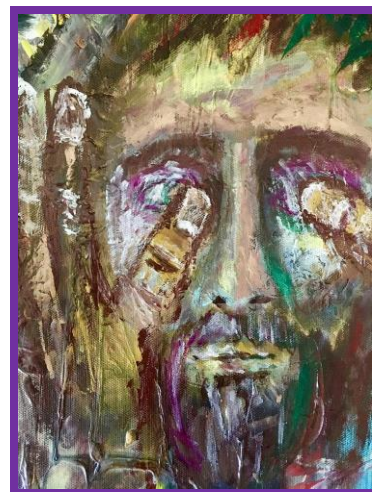
If you have changed your contact details recently please advise the school office immediately.



### Birthdays at St. Dominic's

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

Nursery	Hazeemat
Year 4	Damilola
Year 5	Olta & Bridget Marie
Year 6	Shanai



### Fourth Sunday of Lent

Can you imagine what it would be like to be blind? Close your eyes tightly or cover them with your hands. Think about the things you have already done this morning - getting out of bed, having breakfast, brushing your teeth, putting on your clothes and shoes. Would you have found them harder to do if you were blind and could not see? In Sunday's Gospel, we hear how Jesus helps a blind man to see with his eyes and his heart!

### Prayer

Dear Jesus,  
I give you my eyes to see others the way you do,  
I give you my heart to fill with the light of your love,  
Let your goodness shine out from me so others may 'see' that you are the 'light of the world'.  
**Amen.**

