

ST. DOMINIC'S *Gazette*



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Our **SEAL**
word of the week
commencing
15th May
is
Friendship.



Attendance & Punctuality Class of the Week

Congratulations to Class 1B for the best class attendance in EYFS/KS1 this week with 100%. In KS2, congratulations to Class 5A whose attendance was 98%.

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.

SATs

KS1 and KS2 SATs

Well done to our year 2 and year 6 pupils who have worked extremely hard over the past few weeks in the run up to SATs. The last test was taken today by our year 6 pupils. We would like to extend a very big 'thank you' to the teachers, teaching assistants and to you - the parents -

who have supported and prepared the children for their SATs.



Eco Active Workshop - Leaside

ecoACTIVE is an innovative environmental education charity with a reputation for using hands-on, practical approaches to explore complex issues of sustainability. ecoACTIVE's mission is to create a world where young people and communities are agents of change for creating a better planet. On Thursday our Year 4 attended a workshop at Leaside where they studied rivers and the environment. Here is what Ava 4B had to say about her day.

'The trip was really educational and fun. We were helping the rivers by taking out plastic bottles, scrap paper and all the other things. We also learnt about recycling things instead of throwing it away. We learnt about ways to help the environment.'



St. Dominic's Social Media Account

Thank you to all the parents who returned their consent forms for our social media account. Please be assured that any parent who did not give consent will not see their child on our accounts. We will protect their privacy. Our children will start to feature on the socials soon. We would like to remind you that commenting and likes will be turned

off. This account is for you to see what your children are doing in class.

Our Instagram handle is: **stdominicshackney**

You will need to request to follow us. We will be looking carefully at accounts to see if they are part of our school community. If you have sent a request and it was denied please go and speak to Miss Slingsby in year 1.

We look forward to sharing the children's learning journeys with you.



Summer Term.

Now that the warmer months are upon us can we remind parents that pupils can come to school in their summer uniforms. Children can wear their summer dresses or shorts and short-sleeved polo shirts. Children should bring bottles of water to school on hot days and should have adequate sunscreen to protect them during P.E. and playtimes.



School Uniform

School jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts with the St. Dominic's school logo can be ordered on line at **myclothing.com**. You will need to type in the school's postcode which

is **E9 5SR** and you can see all the items that are available to order.



School Start and Finish Times

The school gate will be opened at 8:50am and the bell rung at 9:00am for the start of the school day.

The playground gate will be locked at 9:10am and children arriving after that time will be marked as late for school.

They should report to the school office where they will be marked as present and recorded for school dinners.

The school gates will be open at 3:20pm each afternoon and children will be dismissed for the end of the school day at 3:30pm.



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 unless their child is attending an after-school club, 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 child.**



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.



Dressing Up Clothes

If any parents have any old dressing up clothes that their children have grown out of, we are more than happy to take them off your hands. There are many occasions in school where our children dress up and, as we currently have a limited supply of costumes, all donations would be gratefully accepted.



Nursery Applications

Do you have a child who is three and needs a nursery place?

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 our nursery 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.



May Half-Term

Half-term holiday

School will close on Friday 26th May 2023 for the half-term holiday. We will return on **Monday 5th June at 9am.**



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 1	Divine
Year 2	Keijo
Year 4	Mary Grace, Jacobel & Sofiia
Year 5	Bernadette, Oluwajomiloju & Alexia



Sixth Sunday of Easter

As Jesus shared the Last Supper with his apostles, he told them that soon he would be leaving them. They were frightened and upset by his words, but he promised to send someone to help them. He would not leave them on their own.

Prayer

Come Holy Spirit, and breathe your life into us, so that we can bring Christ into the world and touch the lives of others with his love.

Amen.

