

St John's Catholic Primary School

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On Friday we held our first whole school Mass of the year where we celebrated the fact that St. John's Catholic School has now been open for 25 years.

The Mass was very special and the children were involved in Liturgical dance, readings, singing and the Offertory Procession. This involved each class making something to celebrate the international diversity across the school.

We began the Mass with an Opening Procession where 25 items were taken up to the Altar (each representing a year of the school). This was led by our three members of staff who have been at the school since 1991 when the school opened – Augustine, Eileen and Irene.



Sale of School Uniform

School Uniform from the Office can only be purchased on Tuesday mornings from 8am until 8.30am and Wednesday afternoons from 3.15pm until 4pm.

Rosary for Families

Every Wednesday in October at 8.30am Father Azad will be leading a decade of the Rosary for families. This will take place in the Church. If you would like to come along, please arrive at the Church before 8.30am. Please note this is for families – children must remain with their parents/carers.

Please put these dates in your Diary: Wednesday 5/10 Wednesday 12/10 Wednesday 19/10

Events/Dates

Tuesday 4th October – Year 3 trip to The British Museum Thursday 6th October –Year 4 Assembly – Parents and carers welcome 3pm Friday 7th October – Year 3 Mass Wednesday 12th October – Parents' evening Thursday 13th October – Year 3 Assembly – Parents and carers welcome 3pm Friday 14th October – Year 4 Mass

Class Assemblies

Please note – we cannot allow parents/carers to attend assemblies if they arrive after 3pm. This is far too disruptive to the children. Please be advised that once the assembly has started a sign will be put up on the door showing that there will be no further admittance.

School Gate

We will be using the Fire Gates for the next few weeks, until work is completed to ensure the Main Gate is safe to use.

Please keep safety of our pupils forefront in your mind and PLEASE do NOT block the Gates by standing in the pathway leading to the Gate. We do not want children to have to use the road to walk around adults. Neither do we want to inconvenience other passers-by.



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Children must bring a coat to school. In damp weather they will be outside during playtimes.



Careers Week this term

At the end of this half term we will be having a Careers Week for pupils in Key Stage 2. This is the last request to see If there are any parents or family members who may be available to come and talk to the children about their work, we would love to hear from you.

Attendance – September



Reception - 99.54%

Year 1 – 95.77%

Year 2 - 98.21%

Year 3 – 99.07%

Year 4 - 96.72%

Year 5 – 97.86% Year 6 – 95.05%

Well done to Reception Class!! Overall the school's attendance is 97.14%. Congratulations to all families, please keep this up!

Celebrating Success EYFS

Reception class have been enjoying their weekly trips to Canada Water Library where they enjoy listening to a story and choosing books.

To help your child to enjoy books and to promote the importance of reading we recommend that you visit your local library

regularly. If you have not yet registered your child then please contact your local library and enrol your child. This is such an important part of their development as readers!

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The children in Year 2 have been planting winter flowers and colourful heather with our visitor Sr. Pat.

Darcey said, 'I had fun planting with Sister Pat. I planted little green and pink flowers. We need to keep watering them. It looks lovely outside now.'

KS2

Year 5 and 6 took part in the Cross Country Tournament this week. All the children did exceptionally well, coming in the top 30 students out of 5 other schools. A big well done to our Year 5 team who won the whole competition and our 3 medallists; Bolaji, Lexi and Sophie. Great effort team!

