



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 1st October 2018

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Cake Sale to raise funds for the Nuns from Belarus

On Friday 28th September we held a cake sale during the day to raise funds to support the work of this community with the homeless. We raised £..... Thank you for your support.

Rosary Week



This will take place on the week of October 1st. From Tuesday morning the Spiritual Life Committee will lead a decade of the Rosary before school at 8.30am at the front entrance for families to attend together. Please make every effort to get to school early for at least one day that week!



INTERNATIONAL WEEK

We will be celebrating the international diversity of our school population during the week of 15th October. The children will enjoy a 'Flag Parade' that week – so please start thinking about making a flag for the parade which represents your family heritage.

The children will also have the chance to come to school in national dress or wearing the colours of the flag from the country or countries that they are from. We would like to stress that we do not expect parents to go to any expense for this.

Events/Dates

Tuesday 2nd October at 2.45pm – Year 5 Class Assembly and Parent Welcome and Information Meeting

Tuesday 9th October at 2.45pm – Year 4 Class Assembly and Parent Welcome and Information Meeting

Wednesday 10th October – Year 4 Trip to the Royal Albert Hall

Wednesday 10th October – Year 3 Trip to the Museum of London Docklands

Thursday 11th October – Year 5 Trip to the Maritime Museum

Friday 12th October – Year 6 Trip to the Science Museum

Tuesday 16th October at 2.45pm – Year 3 Class Assembly and Parent Welcome and Information Meeting

Please note that the assembly will begin promptly at 2.45pm. We suggest you arrive 5-10 minutes earlier as there is no late admittance. We cannot keep the children waiting.



The Friends of St John's (parent fundraising team) would like to invite you to come to their first recruitment meeting of the year.

If you would like to join them and participate they would love to hear from you! The meeting will be held in the woodland bench area on Wednesday 3rd October at 3:40pm.

The Family Fund

We would like to thank all the families that have already contributed to the family fund. If you haven't yet made your donation, please do so as soon as possible. Those that do not contribute will soon be paying a higher rate for any 'extras' that the school provides.



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Jammed phone lines

Each afternoon our phone lines are becoming jammed by parents calling to change the arrangements for who will be collecting their child on that particular evening. Some parents might change their arrangements several times each week. This means that a parent with an emergency might not be able to make contact. Please can you ensure that your child is clear about who is picking them up before they come to school and a written note is handed to the office before school begins.



If you haven't done so already, please download the My Ed App. It shows you up to date information regarding all aspects of your child's school life



We would like to remind parents that the School Car Park is out of bounds. Please do not use it at drop off or pick up time. This is to keep our whole school community safe.



Attendance 17/09/18-28/09/18



- Reception – 95.33%
- Year 1 – 99.14%
- Year 2 – 97.67%
- Year 3 – 97.67%
- Year 4 – 98.50%
- Year 5 – 97.78%
- Year 6 – 92.5%



Well done to Year 1!



School success starts with attendance

Celebrating Success

Year 2

The children at St. John's are very fortunate to use our 'Now Press Play' resources to enthuse their learning. Now Press Play is an immersive audio resource that engages the children in the curriculum through emotion, imagination and movement. Year 2 used the resource on Thursday as part of their 'theme based learning' topic; Space Explorers. The children were able to imagine that they were Neil Armstrong and place a flag on the moon. The session included historical dates, significant quotes and facts for the children to learn as they listened and joined in with the story.



Year 5

On Wednesday Year 5 went to the Royal Observatory to watch the Planetarium Show. They were lucky enough to have a tour of the Universe and find out about the different planets in our solar system. They really enjoyed learning about Saturn; one of the gas planets.

