



# St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
Next newsletter: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Autumn Term Parents Evening – Year 1 to 6  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November

## All Saints' Day

On 1<sup>st</sup> November, we celebrate All Saint's Day. It is a time when we remember all of the saints who have died and the wonderful things they have done.



In the school assembly today all the children prayed and gave thanks to the saints. They learnt that the saints in heaven can strengthen and help us to follow the path that leads us to God's love and the lasting happiness He offers to all.

**Darla Y2- 'The saints are very happy people because they can see Jesus.'**

We are all called by God to be saints and to let his love shine out through our lives to fill the world with the light of his love! The Gospel, we heard today, helps to shape our lives and make them pleasing to God. If we can grow closer to God we will find the true and lasting happiness that the saints already enjoy.

**"One day Jesus went up a hill and lots of people came and sat down by him.**

**He said to them:**

**Blessed are gentle people**

**Blessed are people who forgive others**

**Blessed are people who do what's right**

**Blessed are people who think good thoughts about others**

**Blessed are people who make peace and friends with each other."**

*(adapted from Matthew 5:1-12)*

## Rosary for Families



The Spiritual Life Committee would like to thank all of the families that arrived at school early during the last week of term to pray a decade of the Rosary.

Please make sure you have returned the slip so that you can attend the parents evening next week. We wish to stress how IMPORTANT it is that you make every effort to attend this event.

## Applications Open – Reception Class 2022

**APPLY FOR A RECEPTION CLASS PLACE**

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2017 & 31st August 2018?

**Application deadline 15th January 2022**

## Flu Vaccinations



The school nursing service will be visiting the school on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December to immunise children with the nasal flu vaccine. Please complete the consent/decline form on the link below.

If you wish to decline, please indicate this on the system so that the nursing service does not keep trying to contact you. The school office can not decline on your behalf.

Please note, the system will close one day before our scheduled flu vaccination session.

<https://sav.hrch.nhs.uk/flu/2021/southwark>

## Second Hand Uniform Sale

There will be a second hand uniform sale in the school carpark at 3.30pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.



## Yoga sessions Years 1 - 6

The children in Years 1 – 6 will be taking part in a course of weekly yoga sessions during the school day. Please send your child to school in their PE kit/sports wear on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> November.



### Change of term dates



Next year marks the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. In honour of this special anniversary the UK government department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) have confirmed an extra public holiday on Friday 3 June 2022.

This means our term dates for the end of the academic year will change. The new dates are as follows:

Summer Term  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022  
INSET Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

### Play and learn – Reception Class



Please make sure you have returned the slip to Ms Pienkowska.

The purpose of this special event is to give parents an insight into how the children learn in the Reception Class setting as well as the chance to meet with Ms Pienkowska and ask any questions you may have.

This event will replace Parents Evening.

### No Bikes or Scooters allowed into the playground at the end of the day



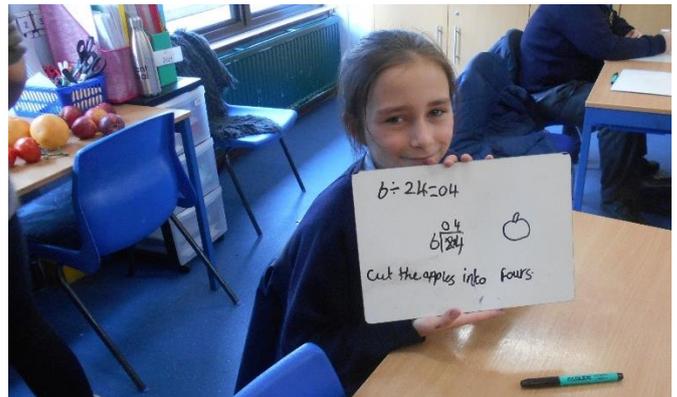
For everybody's safety bikes and scooters are not allowed on the premises at the end of the day. Please allow yourself enough time to lock your bike/scooter up safely in the bike shed before entering the school premises to collect your child.

### Celebrating Success

Year Five carried out an investigation using fruit and toilet rolls to work out the distances of the planets from the Sun. They had great fun while learning outside their classroom.



When they came back to school, they used the fruit to solve real life fractions problems including how to share 3 watermelons, 3 grapefruits, 4 tomatoes, 12 cherry tomatoes, 26 blueberries, 5 limes and 6 apples equally among 24 hungry children. Once they had completed their investigation, they enjoyed the "fruits of their success".



### KS2 Parent drop in session

Thank you to all the parents that took the time to attend the drop-in session during the last week of term. We hope you found it informative.