St. Monica's School Weekly Newsletter

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♥♥ ASSEMBLIES ♥♥

On Wednesday, Mrs O'Shea reminded the Infants about our School Mission Statement:

'Strive to succeed in the presence of God'

TOGETHER as a Catholic community EVERYONE – children, staff, parents, carers and parish – ACHIEVES in their own unique way and tries to be MORE like Jesus.

On Thursday, Mrs Tottle-Nugent performed her MAGIC TRICKS in front of the whole school. She persevered and did not give up until she got them right, just as we must persevere with all things in life.

WELCOME MASS

We would like to say thank you to Fr. Mehall and Fr John who came to school on Tuesday and celebrated Mass with us to mark the start of our new school year.

Ladies' Night

Ladies, bring your friends to browse stalls from local businesses. From make-up to massage, from crafts to clothing and much more! Friday 29th September, doors open from 7.30pm - 11.30pm and tickets cost £5 on the door. All proceeds will go to Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. The event will take place at Southgate Old Scholars Association Cricket Club (Chalk Lane - Opposite Cockfosters Tube Station). For more information please speak to Mrs Weston (2Y).

Benefit Night

Following the memorial last week, there will be a Benefit in memory of Madeleine Latham-Fox on Saturday 30th September at the Parish Centre from 7.30pm. All proceeds will go to Maddy's mum, Valerie. It will be an evening of live music with an auction and raffle. Tickets for adults (sorry no children due to pressure on numbers) at £15 each and raffle tickets (£2 each). They will be on sale after school today and on 21st/22nd and 28th/29th September.

CONTACT FORMS

We are still waiting for several contact forms to be returned. If you have not returned your contact form **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** do so. It is important we have the correct contact numbers in case of an emergency.

WATER SAFETY

Year 5 took part in a Water Safety Workshop on Thursday. Hopefully, they are now fully prepared to start their swimming lessons next week.

Volunteers Needed!!

We are looking for some parent volunteers to help run the library at lunch times on Thursdays. Please contact the school office if you are able to help.

Meet the Teacher Sessions

Don't forget if you have 3 children in Years 1 - 6, that only the Year 4, 5 and Year 6 sessions will be repeated at 4.30pm. Years 1 - 3 will only do sessions at 3.30pm and repeated at 4.00pm.

Bikes, Scooters & Dogs

Please remember for health and safety reasons bikes and scooters are not allowed anywhere in the playgrounds. Please leave them in the shelter at the front of the school. Please also note that dogs are not allowed anywhere on the school premises. Do not bring your dog beyond any of the main gates.

COFFEE MORNING MACMILLAN CANCER

There will be a HUGE coffee morning on Friday 29th September from 9.10am in the main hall to raise money for the charity Macmillan Cancer Support. Everyone welcome. Helpers needed on the day and people to bake cakes pleeeease!! If you can help in any way, please give your name to Mrs Baptiste via the office.

Diary Dates

- **Monday 18th September – Reception children start full time**
- **Tuesday 19th September – Meet the Teacher sessions for Years 1 – 6, 3.30pm – 4pm or 4pm – 4.30pm or 4.30pm – 5pm (Years 4, 5 & 6 only)**
- **Tuesday 19th September – Boys' football match against Vita-et-Pax at Southgate School, refer to letter**
- **Thursday 21st September - Year 5 start swimming lessons, please remember to bring your swimming gear**
- **Thursday 21st September – 5Y Class Assembly at 9.15am, 5Y parents are invited**
- **Friday 22nd September – Jeans for Genes Day, wear jeans in exchange for a £1/£2 donation**

School Dinner Money

Juniors only please ensure there are sufficient funds on your child's ParentPay dinner account at all times to cover school meals. The costs for school meals for the autumn term are as follows:

6th Sept – 20th Oct - £82.50

30th Oct – 21st Dec - £97.50

Year 3 parents please note that if your child is continuing with school dinners there will now be a £2.50 charge for a school meal.

PRAYER

Take time to work,
It is the price of success.
Take time to mediate,
It is the source of power.
Take time to play,
It is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read,
It is the way of knowledge.
Take time to be friendly,
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to laugh,
It is the music of the soul
And take time to love and to be loved.

Have a lovely weekend!