

# St. Monica's School Weekly Newsletter

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*'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.

## **ASSEMBLIES**

On Monday, Mrs Baptiste spoke to the children about the Feast of the Holy Trinity. It is difficult to believe in this mystery – how can one God have three parts? But think about water. Water can be in three forms – liquid, solid (ice) & gas (water vapour). Everything is possible to God!!

## **MUSIC ASSEMBLY**

**On Tuesday, our instrumentalists from Years 5 & 6 played to the whole school and their parents. They gave a beautiful performance and amazed us all with their wonderful talents!!!**

## **Corpus Christi**

Thank you to Fr. Shaun who joined us on Thursday to celebrate Mass and lead the procession for Corpus Christi. The Friends very kindly bought a cross for each of the **Year 3 & 4** children who recently made their First Holy Communion. Fr. Shaun blessed them and presented them after Mass. Many thanks to the Parish of St Monica's for treating the children and staff to ice-lollies and ice-cream.

## **Stay & Play**

Thank you to all the dads (and grandads) who attended the Reception 'Stay & Play' afternoon today. A fun time was had by all.

## **Harry Potter**

**Year 4 had a magical day at Harry Potter World on Wednesday. They saw all the sets used in the films and found the wand box of JK Rowling.**

## **Catholic Derby Cup**

**Our Year 2 boys played in a friendly tournament against Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary on Tuesday. They played really well, had lots of fun and won 10-2.**

## **Cake Sale**

Some more of our 6Y pupils are holding a cake sale to raise money for the 'National Autistic Society'. They have asked if you could support them from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Well done to Alessia, Gaby, Kelsey & Tara whose cake sale last week raised an amazing **£223.45** for the 'Alzheimers Society'.

## **LOUD SHIRT DAY!!**

**Thank you to everyone who took part in today's very colourful Loud Shirt Day (there were several moments when sunglasses would have been handy)!! We raised an impressive £402.61. There is still time to send in your donation if you forgot to do so today.**

## **GRENFELL TOWER**

It has been very distressing watching the suffering of the people affected by the Grenfell Tower fire and hearing about the significant loss of life. Lots of people at school have been asking what we can do to help the survivors. Yesterday, I received a letter from JP Morrison, the Director for Education at Westminster Diocese with some suggestions.

"Caritas Westminster and the Catholic Children's Society, are both present in the community providing assistance to individuals and families, as well as the local school communities. Should your [parents] wish to make individual donations to this emergency relief fund, a special page is being set up on the diocesan website ([rcdow.org.uk](http://rcdow.org.uk)) with a direct link from the home page. There will be additional information on the diocesan and Caritas ([caritaswestminster.org.uk](http://caritaswestminster.org.uk)) websites about other forms of practical support, such as donations in kind and volunteering. There will be regular updates on these pages as well as through the diocesan Twitter and Facebook pages about the types of donation items and volunteer services that would be most useful. These updates will be posted at least daily."

We have heard that there may be a "Go Green for Grenfell" in the coming weeks, once they have assessed what they need and we will endeavour to take part in this day. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. *Mrs Baptiste*

## **Diary Dates**

- **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Reception to Willows Farm, please be in school for 8.45am to leave promptly at 9.00am**
- **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Enfield District Sports at Lee Valley Stadium, please refer to letter**
- **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Music Concert Assembly at 9.15am, Years 2, 3 & 4 parents are invited**
- **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Non-uniform Day for St Theresa's (blue team) for winning the most house points last half term**
- **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – 4G Class Assembly at 9.15am, 4G parents are invited**
- **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - NON-UNIFORM DAY for Year 1 in exchange for a bottle for the Summer Fete**
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Year 1 to Room on the Broom at Thorndon Country Park**
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Year 3 to Mass at St Monica's Church, please be in school for 8.50am to leave promptly at 9.00am**
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – NON-UNIFORM DAY in exchange for a bottle for the Summer Fete**

## **JUDAISM**

Today, **Year 3** had a workshop on Judaism. They learnt all about the Jewish synagogue, the Torah, how to make Jewish challah bread for Shabbat and explored the story of Passover and how Moses guided the Jews out of Egypt.

## **PRAYER**

O Lord Jesus Christ, You who have given us Your precious Body and Blood to be our meat and drink, grant that through frequent reception of You in the Holy Eucharist, I may be strengthened in mind and body to do Your Holy will. Amen.



*Have a lovely weekend!*