

# 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 announced our new House Captains and Vice Captains and we prayed to the saints for inspiration in our daily lives. The new Year 6 monitors were also announced and we look forward to them successfully carrying out their various roles and responsibilities. On Tuesday, Mrs Tottle-Nugent spoke to the Juniors about 'Jeans for Genes'. Holly Light also gave a presentation, well done Holly!!

## Buddy Assembly

All of our new **Reception** children were given a Year 2 buddy on Wednesday. The Reception children have now joined the rest of the Infants in the playground and are being well taken care of by their new buddies!

## CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, **5Y** welcomed everyone back and gave a special welcome to our new pupils, Fr Mehall and Fr John. They also explained the Sacraments of initiation - Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

## THANK YOU!!

Denise and all the staff at the After School Club would like to thank you for all your generous cards, gifts, flowers etc. at the end of the summer term.

## COFFEE MORNING

### MACMILLAN CANCER

There will be a HUGE coffee morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 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 please!! If you can help in any way, please give your name to Mrs Baptiste via the office.

## 'JEANS for GENES'

Thank you to all the families who made contributions towards 'Jeans for Genes'. The amount raised was £391.

## SICKNESS

It is very important that you do not send your child back to school for 48 hours after they have had vomiting or diarrhoea. Children have been sent back early and are passing the infection to other children and staff.

Thank you. *Kate Baptiste*

## Benefit Night

Following the memorial last week, there will be a Benefit in memory of Madeleine Latham-Fox on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> September.

## House Captains

Congratulations to the new House Captains who have been selected to represent our House Teams this year:-

Christina Tumaeva for St Theresa,  
Ciara Liddell for St Francis,  
Molly Meehan for St Cecilia and  
Connor O'Shea for St John.

Also congratulations to the Vice-Captains:- Shannon Magee, Danny Newton, Thomas Faryna-Rea and Grainne Bodley.

## Diary Dates

- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Fr Shaun & Fr Paulo's Leavers' Mass at St Monica's Church 6pm
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September – Year 3 to Celtic Harmony, please be in school by 8.50am and pick up at 3.45pm
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Girls' football match against Raynham Primary, please refer to letter
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Maths evening at 7pm for Year 4, 5 & 6 parents
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – 4Y Class Assembly at 9.15am, 4Y parents are invited
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Macmillan Coffee Morning in main hall at 9.10am

## CONTACT FORMS

We sent the blue contact forms home on the first day of term. Three weeks on we still have 45 families for whom contact details have not been returned. Text reminders were sent out this week, please action.

It is so important that we have the correct contact numbers in case of an emergency.

## FOOTBALL

Well done to our newly formed boys' football team who on Tuesday played against Vita-et-Pax and won 3-1.

## PRAYER

Lord of the crystal blue sky,  
Bless us with clarity of vision.  
Lord of the lengthening evening,  
Lighten our burdens.  
Lord of the biting breeze,  
Sharpen our response to your Spirit.  
Lord of the falling leaf,  
Lift our hearts heavenwards.  
In our autumn,  
May we seek your spring.

*Have a lovely weekend!*