

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 read Sunday's Gospel to the children and talked about how we can be generous in the same way that God is. We looked at ways to help Dominica which has been ravaged by the recent hurricane. A big thank you to everyone for bringing in so many boxes of paracetamol and ibuprofen.

On Tuesday, Mrs Koumpi launched the Junior Poetry Competition to celebrate Thursday's National Poetry Day. The theme is 'freedom', see separate email for details.

On Wednesday, Mr Ross spoke to the Infants about next week's Harvest Festival and told the story of 'The Magic Barrel' - a special gift to a kind but poor village, which magically gave every family one loaf of bread a day.

Unfortunately, the villagers soon learned what happened when people took more than they needed!!

CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, 4Y's assembly celebrated National Poetry Day. They explored what the theme 'freedom' meant to them, sharing several poems they had written themselves and were proud of. They also reflected on how lucky we are to be living in a democratic society.

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).

COFFEE MORNING

MACMILLAN CANCER

Thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning today. We raised a grand total of £557 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Celtic Harmony

On Monday, Year 3 travelled all the way back to the Stone Age! They visited Celtic Harmony in Brickendon. It was an enjoyable day and we were all impressed with both the children's and adults' costumes.

Month of the Holy Rosary

During the month of October we pray a decade of the Rosary outside school each morning at 8.50am. All welcome. Please be aware of this taking place and walk into school quietly if you are not joining us. Thank you!

DIOCESE BUILDING FUND

Please keep your payments for this academic year coming in, so far 57 families out of 308 have contributed to this vital fund. You are able to pay via Parent Pay for your convenience, please access via your eldest child's account. Many thanks to those families that have already made their contribution.

With thanks and regards,
Sam McCool, Chair of Governors.

EMS MUSIC LESSONS

Enfield Music Service (EMS) is now accepting applications for new pupils from Year 2 upwards for the Spring Term 2018. Spaces are available for lessons in a range of instruments – including recorder, flute, clarinet, saxophone, keyboard, violin, cello and guitar. The form is available to download from the EMS pages of Enfield Council's website www.enfield.gov.uk (search 'Enfield Music Service') or call the EMS office (020 8807 8881).

Closing date for applications is **Friday 10th November 2017.**

CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to our cross country team who are taking part in the Enfield Cross Country Championship this afternoon. We will let you know next week how they got on.

Diary Dates

- Sunday 1st October – Feast of St Therese of Liseux
- Tuesday 3rd October – Feast of St Francis of Assisi
- Tuesday 3rd October – Netball match at Highfield Primary against Our Lady of Lourdes, refer to letter
- Thursday 5th October – Harvest Festival, please refer to email
- Thursday 5th October – Maths Evening at 7pm for Reception and Year 1 – 3 parents
- Friday 6th October – Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop in school
- Friday 6th October – Friends' Quiz Night at 7.30pm

Secondary Transfer 2018

The closing date for submitting applications for Secondary Transfer 2018 is Tuesday, 31st October 2017. You are strongly encouraged to apply on-line. Do not forget to send any supplementary forms directly to the secondary schools that require them.

FOOTBALL

Well done to our newly formed girls' football team who on Tuesday played against Raynham Primary and won 5-0. Here's to many more successes!!

PRAYER

O Little Therese of the Child Jesus, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love.

O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favours I now place with confidence in your hands.

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did in God's great love for me, so that I might imitate your "Little Way" each day.

Have a lovely weekend!