

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 ♥♥

Mr Ross talked about Ruby Bridges to the children on Monday and Mrs Tottle-Nugent spoke to the Juniors about Rosa Parks on Tuesday. This linked with Black History Month which you may hear about nationally.

On Wednesday, Mrs Baptise spoke to all the children about how important it is to remember things. Our memories are precious and should be treasured. Soon we will remember the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I. To commemorate this we will be making a large poppy display and ask everyone to **please send in plastic bottles that you have finished with.** All will be revealed soon!

Mrs Baptise also talked about St Therese of Lisieux and St Francis whose feast days were last week. We are all called to be saints in our own way.

CHURCH VISITS

This week Year 1 visited St Monica's Church. Fr. John took them on a tour and he gave them lots of information about the tabernacle, vestments and the various statues. The children were very well behaved and learned how to genuflect reverently!

Matilda

Year 5 had a wonderful time at the theatre on Wednesday watching "Matilda". We hope the adults enjoyed it too!

FOOTBALL

The Year 6 boys' team played in a football match against Bowes earlier this week and drew 1 all. (Note from Karen, we would have won if the ref hadn't disallowed our perfectly fine goal!!). The boys played really well and were great sportsmen. (Karen is getting over her disappointment gradually!)

Junior Poetry Competition

Reminder from Mrs Koumpi (3G) – the closing date for poetry entries is Friday 19th October. The theme is "Change".

MORNING ROUTINE

Please remember that when you escort your child to the playground in the morning and pick up in the afternoon, you should not enter the school and then leave by the main entrance. Please exit via the side gate. All parents must sign in and out via the school office if entering the school. Also remember, the side gates are only open until 9.10 am

AFTERNOON ROUTINE

Gates will be shut at 3.30pm. Please ensure you have left the playground before then or you will be locked in for the night!

ATTENTION YEAR 6

The second installment of **£96.67** for School Journey 2019 was due by 30th September. We have people who still have not paid any installments. If you intend to pay it all in one go, please let Tracey know so that she is not chasing you. Please note it must be paid in full by 31st October.

RECEPTION 2019 APPLICATIONS

Parents with children whose date of birth falls between 1/9/14 & 31/8/15 are now able to apply for a place. Details are on the school website or can be collected from the school office.

There will be open afternoons to visit the school on Thursday 1st November 2018, Wednesday 28th November 2018 and Wednesday 9th January 2019. All open afternoons will start **promptly** at 1.30pm. It is **essential** that you call the school office on 020 8886 4647 to book an appointment to attend one of the open afternoons.

Secondary Transfer 2019

The closing date for submitting applications for Secondary Transfer 2019 is Wednesday, 31st October 2018. Our records show that, so far, Enfield have only received 15 applications.

Do not forget to send any supplementary forms directly to the secondary school.

Diary Dates

- Tuesday 16th October – Junior Rejoice Prayer Service at 9.15am, Year 6 parents are invited
- Tuesday 16th October – Italian theme for school dinners!
- Tuesday 16th October – Girls' netball match after school at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, please refer to letter
- Wednesday 17th October – School nurse in to administer flu nasal vaccine to Reception – Year 5 pupils
- Wednesday 17th October – Infant Rejoice Assembly at 9.15am, 2Y parents are invited
- Wednesday 17th October – Friends' AGM at 8.00pm, all welcome to attend
- Friday 19th October – Year 6 Shakespeare Workshop in school

EMS MUSIC LESSONS

Enfield Music Service (EMS) is now accepting applications for new pupils for the Spring Term 2019. Applications can be made to Enfield Music Service via www.enfield.gov.uk or calling the EMS office 020 8807 8881. Closing date for applications is Friday 9th November.

Prayer

Dear Lord, we know that you have given us the freedom to choose. We can choose whether to treat others with kindness and respect or to scorn, bully and abuse them.

Help us to choose rightly. Help us to recognise the divine image in each one of us, however different we may be as individuals.

Help us to resist the pressures of others who want us to join them in making someone a victim of their cruelty.

Help us to know that in hurting others we are harming our better selves and hurting you. Amen

Have a lovely weekend!