

# 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 saints that Pope Francis canonised on Sunday. They looked at the life of Oscar Romero in more detail – a brave man who fought for the rights of the poor.

## Rejoice Assemblies

Tuesday was our Junior Rejoice Prayer Service and Wednesday was our Infant Rejoice Assembly. The children celebrated the end of their RE topic 'Beginning with God'. We hope the Year 6 and 2Y parents enjoyed it.

## FRIENDS' AGM

We are very pleased to say that the current Friends committee members have agreed to stay on in their respective roles, so a big thank you to them. An amazing profit of **£46,194** was made last year. Thank you to the Friends for all their hard work and to all our parents for their generosity.

## GAELIC FOOTBALL

On Thursday, a team of **Year 6** children went to Greenford to represent the school in a Gaelic football tournament. They played really well losing out in the final. A great day was had by all!!

## Poppy Project

Please continue to send in your plastic bottles (round bottles only) for our poppy project.

## Netball

Our netball team played in a match against Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School on Tuesday. They played really well but lost 8-4, better luck next time!!

## Great Fire Of London

**Year 2** had a great day at their Fire of London Workshop today. They burned their houses in the junior playground and learnt lots of interesting facts.

## UNIFORM

After half term, every child should be wearing the school winter uniform, as follows:

- grey shorts/trousers with grey socks (boys) or white socks (girls)
- green skirt/pinafore with white socks or green tights
- white shirt with school tie
- green jumper/cardigan with school logo (logo optional)
- black shoes (boots and trainers are not permitted)

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018, Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018. Our records show that, so far, Enfield have only received 22 applications.

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

## Governing Board

The Governing Body met on Tuesday this week and voted in Mr John Furlong as our new Chair of Governors. He has been a governor at the school for over twenty years and brings a wealth of experience.

Our new Vice-Chair is Mrs Tricia Alder, a retired Headteacher and so also will provide expertise to the Governing Board. We also welcome a new Governor Mr Farid Nouri and look forward to welcoming him to visit the school after half term.

## A Midsummer Night's Dream

Today, **Year 6** had an educational and fun time re-enacting Shakespeare's play 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. This will be followed up with a trip to the theatre in November to see 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'.

## Diary Dates

- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – INSET DAY school closed
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – HappySchoolBag collection 9.00am
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – All Saints Mass in school for pupils and staff
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Reception 2019 Open Afternoon at 1.30pm

## HappySchoolBags

If you are sorting out clothes, bed linen, soft toys or shoes over the half term, please bring to school on 1<sup>st</sup> November to be recycled. The last collection raised **£1,010** for the Friends!!!!

## 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](http://www.enfield.gov.uk) or calling the EMS office 020 8807 8881.

Closing date for applications is **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.**

## FLOSSING FOR FUNDING

You may have spotted some flossing today before and after school! We are trying to raise awareness of the funding crisis in schools across the country. Please post your photos or videos to raise awareness (children only with parents' permission) on twitter/facebook/instagram. Thank you!

## Prayer

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to Your protection, implored Your help, or sought Your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To You we come; before You we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in Your mercy, hear and answer us.  
Amen.

*Have a lovely half term!*