

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 Tottle-Nugent taught the children how to tie a knot in a scarf without letting go of each end. She then explained that Jesus taught his disciples how to pray through 'The Lord's Prayer'. They carefully looked at the meaning of each line of the prayer.

On Wednesday, a large number of children from **Year 5** performed on a variety of instruments for the entertainment of their parents and the whole school. It was wonderful to see how confidently they played. Well done to all of them and thank you to Ms Phillips for her endless work with the children.

Class Assembly

On Thursday, 1Y's assembly was all about poetry. The children recited a poem called 'The Sound Collector' and read their super hero poems. They sang and performed really well and we are extremely proud of them!

RECONCILIATION

Thank you to Fr John, Fr Mehall, Fr John (St Mary's Ponders End) & Fr Sebastian (Christ the King Cockfosters) who came in on Thursday and gave the **Year 5** and **3Y** children the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

PARKING

Despite previous pleas this week we have yet again, had complaints from our neighbours. Please do not park in front of residents' driveways or in resident only parking bays while walking to and picking up from school.

PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS AS IT MAKES RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR NEIGHBOURS VERY UNCOMFORTABLE.

BRITISH MUSEUM

Year 5 visited the British Museum on Tuesday and discovered lots about Saxon Britain. They made observations of the famous Sutton Hoo burial site. Their behaviour was impeccable.

FRIENDS' NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported last week's Comedy Night at Hazelwood Primary School. A total of £1,200 profit was raised for our school. *The Friends*

BOOKS!

All the remaining books that we did not sell at school during Book Week will be shipped to the orphanage in Sri Lanka. Tony and Frances Chanmugam are very grateful for our donation.

Keeping Children Off School

Although we hope that children will be in school every day, we recognise that sometimes they are poorly. Please remember that if your child has had vomiting or diarrhoea they must not come back to school for 48 hours after the last bout. Also, if your child has a raised temperature, they must be kept at home. This ensures that all the other children and staff are not exposed to infection and reduces the risk of sickness spreading across the school. Thank you!

School Journey

Year 6 have had a fabulous time at Hilltop Adventure Centre this week. They are due back this evening, no doubt exhausted but with plenty of tales to tell you.

RED NOSE DAY

Thank you to all the families who made contributions towards Comic Relief, we raised £376.

Diary Dates

- Monday 25th March – 2G visiting St Monica's Church
- Tuesday 26th March – Pupils from Yavneh Primary School visiting Year 2
- Wednesday 27th March – Year 1 to Little Angel Theatre, refer to letter
- Thursday 28th March – 2Y Class Assembly at 9.15am, 2Y parents are invited
- Thursday 28th March – Year 6 & 3G receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Friday 29th March – Mother's Day Tea Party at 2pm, Reception mothers are invited
- Friday 29th March – Choir performing at Enfield Baptist Church in aid of the Nightingale Charity Trust
- Tuesday 30th April – Parent e-safety session at 9.10am, more details will follow

DIOCESE BUILDING FUND

Please keep your payments coming in, so far **219** families out of **300** have contributed to this vital fund and we have received **£10,346** out of a possible **£13,500**. Many thanks to the families that have already made their contribution.

PRAYER

For flowers that bloom about our feet; For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet; For song of bird, and hum of bee, For all things fair we hear or see, Father in heaven, we thank Thee! For blue of stream and blue of sky; For pleasant shade of branches high, For fragrant air and cooling breeze, For beauty of the blooming trees, Father in heaven, we thank Thee!

Have a lovely weekend!