

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.

ALL SAINTS

Thank you to Fr Mehall who came in today and celebrated Mass with us for the Feast of All Saints. The children behaved reverently throughout the Mass and their singing was fantastic!!



♥♥ ASSEMBLIES ♥♥

On Tuesday, Ms Jackson spoke to the Infants about fireworks and how to stay safe this weekend while enjoying fireworks night.

On Wednesday, Mrs Koumpi spoke to the Juniors about All Saints Day which is on 1st November. She spoke about what makes a saint and some of the saints we know including St. Monica and her son St. Augustine. We must do our best to be faithful and patient just like St. Monica.

UNIFORM

Every child should now 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)

HappySchoolBags

The Friends would like to thank everyone for their generous contributions to the HappySchoolBags collection, we raised an amazing **£1,353.95**. **2Y & 5Y** brought in the most bags and will be rewarded with a non-uniform day on **Tuesday 5th November**. Many thanks!!

Building Fund

Please keep your payments for this academic year coming in. So far, 92 families out of 300 have contributed to this vital fund and we have received £4,130.75 out of a possible £13,500. Many thanks to the families that have already made their contribution.

SPORT

Our girls' football team played in their first cup match against Hadley Wood on Tuesday. This was the first time they played together, we lost 5-2 but they did try their best.

Yesterday, 16 children represented the school in the Borough Cross Country Competition at Forty Hall. The boys came 2nd overall and the girls 3rd. Well done!!

CHURCH VISIT

On Thursday, 1G visited St Monica's Church. Fr. Stewart 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 reverent.

FOOD TASTING

On Wednesday, some children from the school council and a few others sampled new meals that will be on the school dinner menu from next week.

Children were very honest about their preferences and enjoyed tasting some new foods including ratatouille, ravioli pasta in homemade tomato sauce, tomato & mushroom loaf, tomato ricotta & basil cappellini pasta in homemade tomato sauce, two types of roast potatoes (one spicy one not!) and chicken chow mein. On 4th November we start on Week 2 of the new menu which can be found here <http://www.st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk/parents/lunchtime-menu/>

Diary Dates

- Monday 4th November – Photographer in school for individual photos of children & siblings
- Monday 4th November – Reception 2020 Open Afternoon at 1.30pm
- Tuesday 5th November – Year 4 to Hampton Court
- Tuesday 5th November – Boys' football match at Galliard Primary School, refer to letter
- Wednesday 6th November – Year 6 to Millfield Theatre to see Macbeth, please remember to pick up from the theatre at 3.45pm
- Thursday 7th November – 6Y's retreat has been postponed, new date to be advised
- Thursday 7th November – Non-uniform day for St John's team for winning the most house points last half term
- Friday 8th November – 6G on retreat at St Monica's Church, children can wear their own clothes

Month of the Holy Souls

During November, parents and children are invited to write names of deceased family and friends in our special Remembrance Book which will be at the front of school.

POPPY APPEAL

Poppies are now on sale at school. Please bring in a contribution if you would like to buy one.

Prayer

Words that enlighten
Are more precious
than jewels

Do all the good you can –
By all the means you can –
In all the ways you can –
At all the places you can –
At all the times you can –
To all the people you can –
As long as ever you can.

Amen.

Have a lovely weekend!