

15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents

Thankfully the weather has begun to cool down. Ties will be expected as part of normal uniform next week (for those children wearing a white shirt).

**Assemblies & Sunday Mass** – It was lovely to see such a large number of children at 10.30am Mass last Sunday. Thanks to all those children who took part in the singing, reading Bidding Prayers or taking up the Offertory. Fr David asked the children to try to remember three words: empathy, forgiveness and respect. Mrs Tottle Nugent followed this up at assembly on Monday and was very pleased that so many children had remembered those words.

On Tuesday we gave all our Reception children a Year 2 Buddy to take care of them in the playground.

Reception children are now playing in the Infant playground with Years 1 and 2.

On Wednesday, the Year 3 children were paired with a Year 5 Buddy. Year 5 had not been buddies when they were in Year 2 due to covid and so I'm pleased they have now been given this opportunity to care for a younger child.

Today is World Afro Day where people are encouraged to celebrate their own individual hair. No one should be discriminated against because of the way their hair looks. Everyone should celebrate their uniqueness. I shared some images of amazing Afro hair styles today at assembly, including those of my three daughters. You may want to watch this short video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nijl6OJM4w>

**Contact Details** – If your mobile phone number, email address or home address have changed, please would you send an email to Tracey at [t.sesto@st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:t.sesto@st-monicas.enfield.sch.uk) with the new information.

**Help for the Homeless** – On Sunday, one of our Year 5 children, Albie completed a homemade cake sale in St Monica's Church after both 9am and 10.30am mass. He spoke to the congregation at the 9am Mass and explained how the £260 raised would take eight people off the streets at Christmas and will change their lives. If any children in Year 5 would like to take part in a school run cake sale, let Albie's mum know and we will sort something for November.

**North London Shamrocks Gaelic football club** *Training starts at 12:30pm this Saturday in Tottenham Sports ground, N13 4DL. Beginners of all ages are welcome - for further information please **contact Keith Egan** (Parent of Ryan 5Y) on 07961070906. This Saturday is our Family Day with loads of fun games as well as Bouncy Castle, face painting, music as well as a BBQ for all to enjoy. See attached flier.*

**Seeking child-care** – A St Monica's family are looking for an afterschool nanny/ childminder on Wednesday and Thursday to collect three children from the school and bring home to N21. If anyone knows someone who may be interested and available please contact Angela (07930148033).

**Diary Dates (See separate email for a full list of diary dates for the year.)**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept** – school closed for a training day about speech and language

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 9am** – Macmillan coffee morning in school hall – volunteers needed - to serve and also make cakes/biscuits

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. This cartoon made me smile. I hope not too many children are feeling like this!



Kind regards  
Kate Baptiste  
Headteacher

**Important safety notice**

**Please remember that Cannon Road and all the roads around the LTN are still roads that cars can drive down. Please walk on the pavements & cycle/scoot carefully.**