

SS John & Monica's Catholic Primary School – Bulletin 2

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Friday 22nd September 2017

Term	Start	Half Term	Reopens	Term Ends
Autumn 2017		Mon 23 rd October	Monday 30 th October	Friday 22 nd Dec -Finish at 2pm
Spring 2018	Tuesday 9 th January	Monday 19 th February	Monday 26 th February	Thursday 29 th March
Summer 2018	Monday 16 th April	Monday 28 th May	Monday 4 th June	Friday 20 th July

Class Mass

The next school Mass will be celebrated on **Thurs 28th Sept at 9.15am – Y4 Theme: Archangels – Michael, Gabriel and Raphael.** Parents, friends and parishioners are most welcome to attend. **There will be no school Mass on Thursday 5th October as Father Dominic is on retreat.**

New Reception Children

This week we welcomed our new Reception children. The children have settled in well and we wish them and their families a happy time at our school.

Y4 Maths Challenge Day

Congratulations to the pupils in Y4 whom attended the King Edwards Maths Challenge Day and reached 3rd place. We are very proud of their achievements, and these pupils will be awarded with their Bronze Awards in our whole school Golden Book Assembly.

Parent Enrolment Meeting: Confirmation

Parents of those pupils preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are required to attend the Enrolment Meeting with Father Dominic at **2.45pm on Thursday 28th September 2017, at St. Martin De Porres Catholic Primary school.**

Inspire Workshops

Each year, we hold INSPIRE workshops to give parents an opportunity to work with their children on key skills in reading, so that we can share strategies that will help support your child's learning. It is important that a family member comes along to work with their child for this session. Refreshments will be available and workshops begin at 9.15am.

Y1: Wednesday 8th November Y3: Wednesday 18th October Y5: Wednesday 22nd November

Y2: Wednesday 4th October Y4: Wednesday 29th November Y6: Wednesday 15th November

Reading Workshops

To continue to promote parental engagement with reading across the whole school, we will be holding a meeting for parents to inform you of the expectations of the curriculum and ways in which you can support your child at home.

Key Stage 1: Tuesday 3rd October at 2.30pm; **Key Stage 2:** Tuesday 10th October at 2.30pm

School Council Fund Raising

The School Council are organising a coffee afternoon to raise money for the Macmillan **World's Biggest Coffee Morning** event. We are having an Afternoon Tea Party with cakes, biscuits and drinks for the whole school on **Friday 29th September**. We would appreciate donations of cakes and biscuits to sell, up to the amount of £1, during the school day. Many thanks from the school council.

School Nurse

The School Nurse will hold a 'Parent Drop –in session' starting on **Friday 6th October at 2.30-3.30pm.** These sessions will run fortnightly and will be held in our Forest School.

Secondary School Applications

Local authority asks all parents to apply for their child's Y7 school place online at <http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/online-admissions>

Parent Punctuality

May we remind parents that if your child arrives or is picked up late from school, they are required to sign the Late Book which is held in the school office. Parents should also inform the school office if they know they will be late due to unforeseen circumstances. If your child is being picked up by another adult, please also ensure the office are informed by 2.45pm. Thank you.

Contact Procedures

If you have a query or concern regarding your child, that you wish to discuss, please speak with your child's class teacher as the first point of contact at the end of the school day. Following this, you can book an appointment through the office to speak or meet with Phase Leaders. Further to this, an appointment should then be made with an Assistant Head or ultimately the Headteacher. Thank you for your co-operation.

Attendance this week – Well done to Year 6 !

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
% Attendance	97.7%	94%	97.7%	96.4%	94.8%	94.6%	98.5%
Lates	0	0	2	7	5	5	1
Whole School Attendance so far this year			95.5%		School Target		97%

The Golden Book – The following children have been chosen for exceptional work and behaviour. Well done to everyone!

Reception: Miss Pratty, Mrs Shepherd & Mrs Nadeem	Evan Smith
Year 1: Miss Millar & Mrs Hirji	Zofia Garbarska
Year 2: Miss Hodgkinson, Mrs Hodges	Jeremiah Otim
Year 3: Miss Hodgkinson and Miss Hill	Eve Alexander
Year 4: Mr Hawker and Miss Morgan	Sara Hussain
Year 5: Mr Ullah and Mrs Ali	Alzubir Aldubai
Year 6: Miss Gee, Mrs Gray and Miss McKeown	Ibrahim Hussain
Mrs Jena: Assistant Head Teacher	Adam Omar – Year 6
Mrs Elliott: Head Teacher	Reception - Whole Class

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
Monday 25 th Sept – Friday 6 th Oct	Daily swimming lessons for Y5	
Thursday 28 th September	Y4 Mass National Poetry Day	9.15am
Friday 6 th October	'Parents Drop-in Session' – School Nurse	2.30-3.30pm

Our New School Council

The following children have been elected by their classes to represent them on the School Council:

- Y1: Mariyah Ayoub and Caleb Jordan
- Y2: Mark Smith-Alonso and Angela Amper
- Y3: Rio Mason and Eve Alexander
- Y4: Mishthi Budd and Suhaan Ayoub
- Y5: Khaleb Mason and Laibah Nazaem
- Y6: Gursheen Kaur and Dayyan Naeem

Our New Eco Team

The Eco Team will work closely with Mrs Gray to improve the school environment and help to keep our schools carbon footprint as low as we can!

- Year 1: Chitrani Costa-Fernades and Ali Khayyam
- Year 2: Mariam Mohamed and Dayyan Abraham
- Year 3: Davinder Kitaure and Ryan Trojan
- Year 4: Mishal Zaheer and Raul Werie
- Year 5: Haika Khan and Noah Salaman
- Year 6: Anna Lo and Ibrahim Hussain

This terms Virtues are **Eloquent and Truthful** – How can we be followers of Christ and ensure we demonstrate these virtues in our lives?

Mrs.M.Elliott
Headteacher

