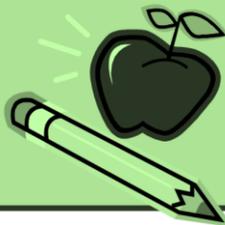




Newsletter



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1st November 2019

St Joseph's Convent School Newsletter

All Saints Day Mass



Today, the school celebrated Mass at OLOL church to honour All Saints Day. The girls sang beautifully for the congregation with the psalm being especially beautiful. We received many lovely comments and tears were shed. Several parishioners commented on noticing a change in the girls and how they appear confident and happy. I was moved to be told how many of the parishioners are praying for us as a school.

Father Pat delivered the poignant message of us all being called to be little saints so,

'Bloom where you grow!'

Celebrating Black History Month

Infants 3 have been celebrating Black History Month, to promote and **celebrate** Black contributions to British society, and to foster an understanding of **Black history** in general.



Thank you to those parents who have embraced our new online booking and pre-payment system for before and afterschool clubs. All parents are requested to return the terms and conditions acceptance form as a matter of priority. Thank you.

Diary Events for next week

Mon 4th November CAFOD Assembly

Tues 5th/Wed 6th November - Parent/Teacher Consultations.
PLEASE NOTE NO CREATIVE CLUB, HOWEVER NETBALL CLUB WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY. NO HOCKEY OR GARDENING CLUB ON WEDNESDAY.

Thurs 7th November - NO EXAM REVISION CLUB

Friday 8th November - 9.10am Remembrance Assembly performed by Prep 4. All parents invited.

Saturday 9th November - 12-3pm Christmas Bazaar - All Welcome

NHS Nasal Flu Immunisations

All forms must be returned by 29th November please!

School Dinners

Every day the dining hall is filled with delighted children enjoying their delicious school meals. Several parents expressed concern about quorn being served as a vegetarian alternative. I would like to inform you that quorn is no longer an option and if you visit our school website, you will see our revised menus, which rotate on a rolling system over 3 weeks.

We have also planned a delicious Christmas lunch for **Wednesday 11th December** and I would like to see all girls enjoying a school dinner on this day.

Please continue booking your daughter's lunches via SchoolMoney in advance.

Attendance Figures

Nursery	96%
Infants 1	98%
Infants 2	96%
Infants 3	97%
Prep 1	96%
Prep 2	98%
Prep 3	96%
Prep 4	94%

Christmas Bazaar

I am very much looking forward to welcoming you all to our Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 9th November. Thank you to all for your generous donations. If anyone is able to help out at the event, kindly give your name to Mrs Lennard in the school office.

Keep selling your Grand Draw tickets, more tickets are available if needed.

SchoolMoney

We have been advised by SchoolMoney that they are experiencing some technical difficulties with the system. They have asked us to bear with them whilst they attempt to rectify this. This will also affect Infants 1/Nursery paying for their trip. Apologies for any inconvenience.

School Trips

We have an array of exciting school trips planned for this half term to support our learning:-

Friday 1st November - Infants 2 & 3 visited the Redbridge Drama Centre.

Tuesday 19th November Nursery/Inf 1 to Discover Children's Story Centre in Stratford. A packed lunch is required for this day.

Friday 22nd November - Prep 4 to Redbridge Junior Citizens Scheme. Details regarding lunch to be confirmed.

Friday 22nd November - Prep 2 to the Science Museum. A packed lunch is required for this day.

Tuesday 26th November - Prep 4 to Imperial War Museum. A packed lunch is required for this day.

Trip letters with further details will be circulated in due course.

When you visit for your Parent/Teacher consultation, you will be asked to sign a consent form to allow your daughters to attend local trips, less than half a day in duration, which can take place during the school day, without the need to seek parental consent each time. These trips may include visiting our local park, library, high street shops, Winston Churchill statue, sporting events etc. Parents will always be informed in advance of when such trips are being undertaken.