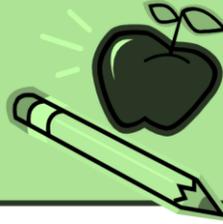




# Newsletter



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23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

## St Joseph's Convent School Newsletter

### Safeguarding

It is **NOT** acceptable for any parent to approach any child either on or off school premises regarding any perceived disputes they might feel they have.

### Judaism

As part of our RE curriculum, next week 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November, the girls will be looking at Judaism.

### Lady of Shalott

Moonbeams flood a solitary room, where a beautiful lady weaves. Her eyes contain misery and memories. Memories of the past...

Her slender fingers weave, silently, a web of a story... The lady's head raises gently and peers up at the mirror. The mirror shines and reflects her past...

Her pale, soft skin has not seen the daylight since she was free. She hopes for freedom, when she finishes weaving she will be free. She therefore weaves forlornly, as the slits of the tower, she is trapped in, shows the rising of the sun. She sings and hums as the reapers walk by. 'Tis the fairy Lady of Shalott!' they whisper, as the lady wishes she was the person they think she is...

A curse she will have if she dares to gaze down upon Camelot. She mournfully carries on her dull, grey life as she ponders why it was she who was chosen to weave, weave, weave...

She peers down at the tapestry she weaves staring at the sorrow, which had been woven in...

She feels miserable as she hears the cheerful voices of the village girls. She sees them in the mirror and weaves swiftly so she will not hear their gay voices... She remembers the life she had, the music, laughter and colours bright. The sun fills the room and the lady carries on weaving, swimming in a pool of thoughts...

By *Maria-Amelia*



### Scholastic Book Fair

**Celebrate reading at our Book Fair!**

The Book Fair will be arriving in school soon, with hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy. **Come and join us!**

**WHEN:** 6th December – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**WHERE:** Nursery classroom from 3.30pm

There are **over 200 titles** for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from **only £2.99**, there's sure to be a book for everyone.

If you can't make it to our Book Fair, try our **discounted Gift Vouchers** available at [bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents](http://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents). They're a great way to ensure your child doesn't miss out.

Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get **FREE BOOKS** for our school library!

**Ms Dodd, Book Fair Organiser**

### Mission Statement

**We are a Mercy School  
We live and work together,  
as Jesus taught us,  
spreading his loving friendship  
to everyone we meet**

## Premier Sports

I am delighted to announce that in the Spring term, Premier Sports will be offering after-school clubs on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings for children in Infants 1 to Prep 4. Clubs include gymnastics, fencing & football. Today, your daughter will receive a letter providing further information. All bookings must be made via Premier Sports and all details will be clearly outlined in the letter.



## Reminders

- Flu Immunisations will be taking place in school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November. If you have not returned your form, your daughter will not be included. Thank you.
- For the safety of ALL children and parents, you are respectfully reminded that parking, or dropping off your daughter, in the Convent car park is strictly prohibited, unless special permission is granted by myself.
- The school gate does not open until 8am. Parents are requested to wait outside of the gate until that time please.
- The school is unable to administer any non-prescription medication. If your daughter does require non-prescription cream, this can only be accepted if the GP has prescribed this, with the dosage clearly labelled.
- Please be reminded that earrings are not permitted in school. Thank you.

## Thank you ...

The school has recently received a cheque for the sum of £196.56, in relation to commission earned from the recent school photo purchases. Thank you for your support.

## This Week's Attendance

Nursery	97%
Infants 1	98%
Infants 2	95%
Infants 3	97%
Prep 1	100%
Prep 2	98%
Prep 3	97%
Prep 4	94%

## Big Sing Gospel Voices Concert

Tomorrow, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in Our Lady of Lourdes church, everyone is welcome to attend the Big Sing Gospel Voices event. Tickets are £10 on the door or in advance at <https://billetto.co.uk/en/e/the-big-sing-gospel-voices-live-in-wanstead-tickets-316430>

## Xmas Performance Dates

### 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

Prep 3 & 4 singing in OLOL church for Old People's home (Weavers)

### 7<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

Nursery & Infants Nativity – parents invited at 1.30pm for mince pies/coffee & tea

### 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

Preps carol service – parents invited at 1.30pm for mince pies/coffee & tea



## Lost Property

We have a large array of lost uniform in the school office. Many of the items look new, however I am disappointed to say that many of the items are unnamed, so we are unable to return them to their rightful owner. If your daughter has lost an item of clothing, please check the Lost Property Box.

God bless, Mrs Birtles