## St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School

'As we grow with God, we learn from each other.'





## School News 13th October 2023



This week, Y6LD led a wonderful assembly on the Rosary, reflecting on some of the events in each mystery. It was lovely to see so many parents join us too! They gave us a lesson on why praying the Rosary is important in October.

The next 'class led' collective worship is on the 26<sup>th</sup> October and will be Mr Henrick's class who are leading us in prayer and reflection. The full list is of course on the website so please check it out and see when your child's class is. We do recognise that parents do appreciate notice to book time off work.

## **School Photographs**

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, the school photographer is in school. If you have a Pre - School age child or an older sibling in another school, they are welcome to have their photo taken together before school. Please be in the foyer at 8.15am. Siblings that are in school will be taken during the school day and we will organise that.

### **Exhibition of Work**

As part of Black History Month, children have been learning about influential black men and women who have made a positive impact across the world. The figures chosen by teaching staff are people who encompass our theme in school this term: Dignity of the Human Person. You are invited to share the learning that has happened in school over the past two weeks on **Friday 20th October** after you have collected your children. Each class will display the learning that has taken place in class in the school hall so please come and have a look. We hope to see you there!

















#### **Food Bank collection**

A reminder that as part of our curriculum we organise various charitable events throughout the year and on <u>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October or Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</u>, we are asking for food donations for a Birmingham Food Bank.

Nursery and Reception: Pasta

Year 1: Rice

Year 2: Tea bags or coffee

Year 3: Long life milk

Year 4: Tinned goods (chopped toms/kidney beans/chick peas) No baked beans please.

Year 5: Shower gel / Shampoo / Shaving gel / Deodorant (Men or Women's)

Year 6: Nappies / Baby Wipes

Please help if you feel able.

#### Stars of the week!!

Well done to our Stars of the Week who were presented with their certificates during celebration





#### **Parents' Evening**

Thank you to all of you for coming out and showing great interest in what your child is doing in school and attending this week's Parents' Evening. We had a very high turnout of over 95% over the two days which is very pleasing. Lots of you seemed very happy with what you saw and heard so credit to the teachers and staff who ensure that the children are learning more and remembering more!















## **Praying for Peace**

As a school, we have been praying this week for all of the people affected by the conflict in Israel and Palestine. When watching the atrocities on the news, it's difficult to imagine the horrors that families in the region are going through. We pray through the intersession of Our Lady Queen of Peace, that those who are able to make decision affecting the lives of millions will do so quickly and for the good of all those they govern.



## **Medical Appointments**

We have sent out this information before, but just to remind parents that appointments made by you – medical or optician's appointments - which could be made out of school time, will not be authorised. Appointments that are sent to you for your child by the hospital or a consultant, will be if the letter is shown to one of our Office Staff.

#### **School Gateway**

Any messages the school send to you will appear in your inbox on the school gateway app. This saves the school hundreds of pounds each year in text messages costs. Please ensure that you have downloaded the app on to your phone and have notifications switched on so you don't miss important information.

## To enable notifications for the School Gateway:

#### For Apple devices:

- On your phone go to Settings
- In here scroll down to the "Notifications Centre"
- Select School Gateway
- In here ensure that under the heading "Notification Centre" it is switched on
- Close the screen; you will now receive notifications when new app messages come through

#### For Android devices:

- On your phone go to Settings | Applications Manager
- Scroll down your list of apps until you find School Gateway and select it
- In here there will be a tick box that says "Show notifications" ensure this is selected
- Close the screen; you will now receive notifications when new app messages come through















# **Maths & Writing Champions**

	Writing Champion	Maths Whizz Kid
RecVB	Amelia	Sumayyah
RecEA	Joel	Rahan
1JH	Teddy	James
1/2CA	Harper	Eva
2VC	Hiba	Ava
3EK	Isabella	Nia
3/4AK	Jaden	Falak
4LT	Dexter	Dylan
5SH	Jacob M	Aayat
5CP	Zac	Olivia
6LD	Sophie	Rehan
6ZG	Bethany	Joshua













