



St Mary & St Michael Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER 9

17th November 2023

Dear parents,

Thank you to Miss Pullen, Miss Akhter and the School Council for organising activities for Anti-Bullying Week and leading assembly for us last Friday. The theme this year was **'Make a Noise about Anti Bullying'**

Children and Staff have been busy giving out 'Thank you' notes and we have discussed that kind actions and words don't just happen in Anti-Bullying Week but every day.

We have also revisited our school anti-bullying pledge and what it means. This will form part of our whole school display based outside the library.

Our Pledge

I make a **COMMITMENT** to make a stand against bullying.

I will treat others with **RESPECT** and **KINDNESS**.

I will have the **COMPASSION** to not be a bully and the **COURAGE** not to be a bystander.

It is my **RESPONSIBILITY** to help others being bullied and to report bullying.



Thank you also for organising the Children in Need Fundraising day. I could get used to coming to work in my pyjamas!

The Gospel this week

In the Gospel this week, Jesus' message is that we should "stay awake" so that we are ready to welcome Him when He returns. Children learned that this does not mean literally staying awake but getting ourselves ready by choosing to live in God's way. Children reflected on what it means to choose God's way of living and loving.



First Holy Communion

Please take note that the First Holy Communion session on Saturday, 19th November is cancelled and the first session will be on Saturday, 9th December 2023.

Please remember that school will be closed on Monday 27th November for staff training.

Have a good weekend

Blessings

Sue-Helen Steyn

Judaism Workshop

On Thursday, Leonard Silver visited the school for a Judaism Workshop. Leonard told the children all about his faith and how Jewish people worship. The workshop was engaging and delivered through a vibrant blend of storytelling and interaction that explained Jewish culture and traditions.



Year 5 Architect Workshop

On Thursday the 9th of November the Year 5's went on a field trip to Canary Wharf as part of the Architects Project which allows the children to design and build a more sustainable London.



Year 5&6 Football

Yesterday we took a team of year 5 and 6 pupils to Kobi Nazrul school to take part in a friendly football match. The game was 7 a side with at least two girls playing at a time. We showed great determination and passion from the kick off and ended up winning 10-3. A huge well done to everybody involved for representing our school so well and displaying excellent sportsmanship and behaviour.



Year 4 Football

On Tuesday, our year 4 boys football team headed to Mile End 5-a-side pitches to compete in the borough football tournament. There were 20 schools entered and we were split into four groups of 5 teams. We played matches against John Scurr, Blue Gate Field and Seven Mills managing to win two of them and lose one. We were sitting at second in the group and were due to qualify for the quarter finals but unfortunately the rain stopped play. The competition will be rescheduled for a later date. Well done boys!

Attendance Autumn Term 06.11.23 -10.11.23

1A	94.2%
1P	91.3%
2W	91.7%
2F	91.0%
3A	93.1%
3F	96.0%
4G	92.1%
4A	92.0%
5A	90.4%
5B	97.6%
6K	96.6%
6D	96.9%

Overall 93.6%

WELL DONE 5B

Handwriting Award Winners

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Elizabeth	Lassana	Layla
Medina	Abu	Andrew
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Elona	Sadika	Umair
Hector	Kayleen	Albrecht

Working parents who use Breakfast Club and After School Care may be eligible to claim tax-free childcare from <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>



GOLD AWARDS WINNERS

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Arry	Bonni	Mabel	Inayah
Dolcie	Arman	Helena	Jodie-Lee
	Prisha	Lenny	Mahdi
			Drishana
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Yasmin	Raphael	Erik	Dylan
Naeto	Rio	Afsheen	Olamide
Adeline	John	Kathleen	Amy
Maya	Bethany	Elliot	Ayaan

House Points - Winner 2023/24

The winning house is St Cyril with 155 points.

Congratulations!



St Cyril (yellow)



St Elizabeth (green)



St Lawrence (red)



St Josephine (blue)

