

Stay Connected Newsletter

Head Teacher's Message

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Dear Parents,

It has been a very busy beginning to the school year and I'm sure everyone is looking forward to the half term break.

Thank you for your continued support in minimising the spread of Covid-19 infections in the school community. As the infection rates are rising across London it is

important we continue to do everything we can to stay safe and keep our school fully open. Please try to stick to our one-way system and if your child is unwell (or a member of your household tests positive) keep them at home and please let us know.

The replacement of the roof in Campion building will be completed over the half

term break and we will then be working on some smaller projects across our site.

Lastly, a big warm welcome to all our new families who have joined us in Nursery, Reception and in other year groups. We hope your children are very happy with us and look forward to watching them grow, learn and have fun along the way!

Dates for your Diary:

- *Half Term:* Monday 25/10/2021 - Friday 29/10/2021
- *Remembrance Day* – 11/11/2021
- *Antibullying Week* – 15/11 – 19/11/2021
- *Road Safety Week* – 15/11 – 21/11/2021

Year 2 Phonics Screening Check

On Thursday 14th October Miss Hosin uploaded a pre-recorded zoom meeting to Class Dojo.

The video outlines the expectations for the Year 2 phonics screening check.

Due to the cancellation of the phonics screening check in June 2021, the children did not take the test in Year 1 as is usually statutory.

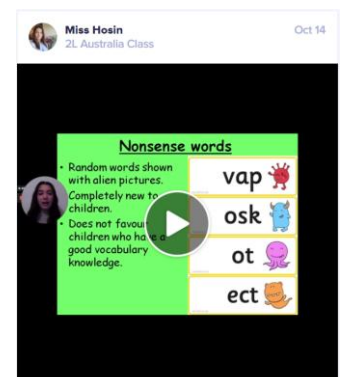
The children will take part in the phonics screening

after the half term break.

The check will consist of 40 words and non-words that your child will be asked to read one-on-one with a teacher.

In order for you to be able to best support your child it is very important that you log on and watch the recording this week.

Any questions- please do not hesitate to contact the Year 2 team or Miss Taylor.



Class Countries

This year we have named our classes after countries around the world.

This has been a great opportunity for the children to find out about the culture and geography of their country.

Each class has created a fantastic display, some of which you can see below.

The children have learnt

many facts about their countries and have even tasted some of the cuisine!



Online Parent Consultations

Online Parent Meetings are taking place Friday 22nd October 2021.

Please refer to the step by step guide on how to book an appointment emailed on the 15/10/2021.

Please book appointments from **Monday 18/10/2021 at 9am** via this link:

<https://stignatiuscatholic.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



National Poetry Day

National Poetry Day was on Thursday 7th October with the theme this year being 'Choice'.

The children had a special focus on poetry in class and learnt some poems to perform.

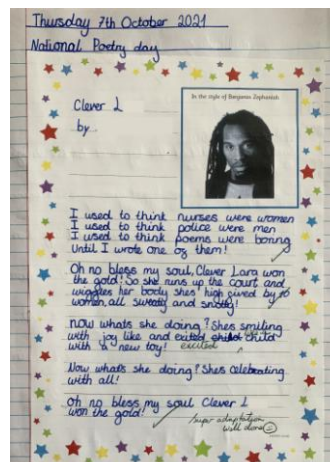
In Year 2 they learnt and performed a poem about fruit and in Year 5 they learnt a funny poem called 'Clever Trevor' by Benjamin

Zephaniah.

As it is Black History Month in October some classes decided to have a special focus on poems written by black poets.

If you are interested in some poems based on this year's theme of 'Choice' please head here:

<https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk/poems/>



5H focused on Benjamin Zephaniah as part of National Poetry week. Pupils adapted his poem 'Clever Trevor' & performed their

ParentPay

We are now using ParentPay for school dinners, breakfast club and all other payments.

Please ensure to **activate** your ParentPay account via the activation emails which have been sent out regularly.

If you require any assistance, do not hesitate to ask the school office.



<https://www.parentpay.com/>

Haringey Autumn Half Term Break Activities

Please see our school blog for further information on Haringey's either free or some small fee activities, over the Autumn Half Term break.

Wishing everyone a good autumn break!

<https://stignatiuscatholicprimary.co.uk/blog/2021-10-15-12-58-05-haringey-october-half-term-break-activities>

Secondary Transfers

Please see the school website for important information on secondary school transfers.

There are three documents under "Secondary School Transfers for September 2022".

If you have read the documents and still have queries or need help applying online please see Ms Curran or book an appointment at the school office.

The closing date is on **Sunday 31st October 2021** so please do not miss this deadline.

<https://stignatiuscatholicprimary.co.uk/key-information/year-group-news/year-6>

Class Dojo

Please can we remind you of the importance of using Class Dojo on a *regular* basis in the week.

So many important messages go out on there, that it is unfortunate that some families miss out on this.

Send your child's teacher a message just to catch up and make that communication link.

<https://www.classdojo.com/invite/?s=53232c619b8539b71800db1e>

Black History Month

October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years.

The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to

the UK over many generations.

Although we aim to immerse the history of our culturally diverse community throughout the curriculum and throughout the year, October is a time to focus our minds on sharing, promoting and celebrating Black History,

in particular, British Black History.

Inspired by the 2020 Black Lives Matter events, the 2021 theme is *Proud To Be*.

This year's theme invites Black and brown people of all ages throughout the UK to share what they are *Proud to Be*.

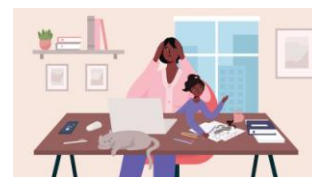


Pupils from 4D performing a poem off by heart using voice intonation and expression by a famous black poet called Grace Nichols

Parenting Course

Parenting can be very difficult. If you think you would benefit from support in setting boundaries, dealing with upsets and anxieties etc, please speak with Ms Curran.

We work with an organisation called *Trailblazers*, who work with us in school to promote good healthy minds.



Food & Resource Support

We understand how difficult these current times can be for children, please come and see Ms Curran or Ms Taylor, or message us, and we will try to help you access some of the resources you need.

If any parent would like support with accessing food supplies and/ or any other resources you need for your



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World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day takes place annually on the 10th of October.

This year's theme is '*Mental Health in an Unequal World*'.

This theme was chosen by a global vote including World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH) members, stakeholders and supporters because the world is increasingly polarised, with the very wealthy becoming wealthier, and the number of people living in poverty

still far too high. 2020 highlighted inequalities due to race and ethnicity, sexual orientation and gender identity, and the lack of respect for human rights in many countries, including for people living with mental health conditions. Such inequalities have an impact on people's mental health.

It's very important to take care of yourself and get the most from life.

Please see our school website for great resources

for the children as well as parents.

<https://stignatiuscatholicprimary.co.uk/events/2021-10-10-world-mental-health-day-1>



It's Good to Grow from Morrisons

Do you shop at Morrisons? If so, you could help us to get **FREE** gardening equipment for our school. All you need to do is download the Morrisons app, sign in or register on the app and select our school. Every time you shop you must scan the app at checkout. For every £10 spent the school will receive a Grow token towards gardening equipment!



Prayer

Today is the Feast day of Saint John Paul II.

Oh, St. John Paul, from the window of heaven, grant us your blessing!

Bless the church that you loved and served and guided, courageously leading it along

the paths of the world in order to bring Jesus to everyone and everyone to Jesus.

Bless the young, who were your great passion. Help them dream again, help them look up high again to find the light that illuminates the paths of life here on earth.

Punctuality/ Absences

Please ensure that your child is in school and ready to learn by **8:55am**. It is very disruptive for the child but also for the entire class and teacher.

If your child is going to be absent please ring the office first thing. We have an answer machine so you can always leave a message as well! We appreciate your support with this matter.

Congratulations to 3K for having the highest attendance percentage of 94.34 for September 2021!