Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

During October, we celebrate **Black history month**. At Our Lady & St Johns' we interweave this throughout our curriculum, through the year and then each class will celebrate a particular aspect this month. We have many different activities planned from stories told from different cultures, sporting heroes, to famous pilots and artists; we will have a special assembly at the end of the month.

Our Mini-Vinnies collected a variety of food before our Harvest Mass, which we celebrated today. Thank you for your generous donations, which will go to the Ealing foodbank. Thank you to Year 5 for reading so well and to our altar servers from years 5 and 6 and also thanks to Fr. Gerard and Mrs. O'Connor.

Polite reminder
Please remind your children to dismount from their bike or scooter when using the path up to the school. This is for their safety and the safety of everyone using the path. Also, please do not allow your child onto the carpark, again for their safety.
Many thanks for your co-operation.
Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Cunningham

Stars of the Week
30th September 2024

Rec :	**Emeline & Fatima**
Yr1:	**Jayden & Vespyr**
Yr2:	**Isla & Alexander**
Yr3:	**Richard & Natan**
Yr4:	**Matilda & Jaxon**
Yr5:	**Bronagh & Ahmed**
Yr6:	**Tymek & Simone**



Safeguarding
The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff.
Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's designated safeguarding officer: Mrs Cunningham or in her absence the deputy safeguarding officer Mrs Sheehan. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with their line manager, Mrs Cunningham to seek further advice.

Writer of the month
September

Rec :	**Sofia**
Yr1:	**Victor**
Yr2:	**Posy**
Yr3:	**Grace**
Yr4:	**Emilia M**
Yr5:	**Julieta**
Yr6:	**Nadia**



Congratulations to the children in St. Andrew's who received the most house points over the last week.

The children in St. Andrew's will receive 15 minutes of extra play in Key stage 1.

The children in St. Andrew's in Key stage 2 will receive a Homework pass for this weeks' homework.

House point winners for this week

HOUSES	Score
St Patrick	253
St Andrew	321
St George	319
St David	254
St John	256
Overall Winner	St Andrew



Important Dates October

Black History month

Thursday 10th October
2:45 Yr2 Celebration service

Thursday 17th October
- Yr4 Pedestrian skills

Friday 18th October
9:00 Yr6 Class mass
2:45 Yr3 Celebration service
5:30-7:30 Halloween Disco

Monday 21st October
3:30-6:30 Nursery—Yr6 parents evening

Wednesday 23rd October
3:30-6:30 Nursery—Yr6 parents evening
- Yr6 Sky studios

Friday 25th October
- End of term—normal time finish

Punctuality & Attendance

Position	Year	%	Late
1st	Rec	99.3	2
1st	6	99.3	0
2nd	1	98.3	5
3rd	5	97.9	4
3rd	4	96.1	2
4th	3	96	7
5th	2	95.1	5
6th	Nur	93.7	3

We are a PEANUT & NUT FREE SCHOOL

Due to severe allergies of some pupils and staff, please ensure no nut or peanut products are brought into school.









Congratulations to Reception & Year 6 on their 99.3% attendance!

They will receive 10 minutes extra play next week!

To all our parents,
grandparents and carers.

We really need your help.

With the increasing demands on the curriculum, we are finding it more and more difficult to provide 1-1 reading for our children.

Although this is not an expectation of the curriculum, it is something that we have always valued in the hope that it provides children with a love of reading from an early age.

So, if you can spare an hour or two every week (or more) to hear children read, please let me know, we would be eternally grateful.

This support is invaluable to both the teachers and the children.

Thank you in advance
Mrs Sheehan

Mass—collection for Ealing foodbank

Last Friday, on the feast day of St Vincent de Paul, our newly appointed Mini Vinnies were presented with their badges. Since that day, they have been working very hard by preparing posters to advertise an appeal for Ealing Food Bank and organizing the collection of your generous donations. In doing this, they have shown great dedication and commitment into helping those who are less fortunate. Today, at out Harvest Mass, they all received a blessing from Father Gerard. I look forward to our meeting next week, where we will discuss our next venture.



Praying the Rosary



The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary and it includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). We will celebrate by praying a decade of the Rosary every Thursday in October, led by the Mini-Vinnies and Ms Grimshaw at 12.30pm.



Dear parents,

At OLSJ we use a platform/app called Google classroom. This app, you can download on to your phone and/or a laptop/chrome book.

Teachers use Google classroom to send messages and to set homework. All children have a login for Google classroom - it will look something like this:

email: tfrmt671.313@gs.stjohnrc.hounslow.sch.uk
password: flower4

Children in Years 1-6 will have this login & password stuck into their reading record books. Children in Nursery & Reception will be given their login details from their class teacher.

We ask you to download this app so that you know what homework your child has and to keep up to date with messages from your child's class teacher.
All logins have been set up and activated.
If you are having problems logging into Google classroom or you are experiencing any problems please let me know or speak with your child's class teacher.

Regards
Mrs. Sheehan

Homework club

Mrs. Sheehan & the School council will be running a homework club for the juniors in the ICT suite.

Monday & Tuesdays

12:15-1:00