Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Next week we will be celebrating our Harvest on Tuesday. The Mini-Vinnies have been doing a great job organising the food collection, which will go to the Ealing and Brentford Foodbanks. These food-banks have shortages due to the increase of people who rely on them, so if you haven't managed to donate yet they will still be collecting on Monday.

We have our parent evenings on Monday and Wednesday next week. Your child's work will be in the hall for you to see either before or after your appointment. Unfortunately, we cannot run a crèche for children as we also still have our After-school clubs running, so please arrange to leave your children with another parent whilst you come into school. We look forward to seeing you all over the two days.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Cunningham

Stars of the Week
9th October 2023

R: Gloria & Franek
Yr1: Rebecca & Eli
Yr2: Bella & Max
Yr3: Amelia M & Kikiryah
Yr4: Emily Rose & Ahmed
Yr5: Nana & Mason
Yr6: Kacper & Max



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.

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 the children in St. Andrew's who received the most house points 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	169
St Andrew	254
St George	221
St David	157
St John	176
Overall Winner	St Andrew's

Important Dates

Monday 16th October
3:30-6:30 Parents evening

Tuesday 17th October
- **9:00 Harvest mass—*parents welcome***

Wednesday 18th October
3:30-6:30 Parents evening

Thursday 19th October
- **2:45** Yr2 Celebration service

Friday 20th October
3:00 End of half term

Punctuality & Attendance

Position	Year	%	Late
1st	5	98	1
1st	3	98	3
2nd	4	97.9	2
3rd	Nursery	95.8	0
4th	6	95.1	2
5th	2	94.9	2
6th	Rec	94	3
7th	1	93.3	9







Congratulations to Year 5 & Year 3 on their great attendance! They will receive 10 minutes extra play!

Please log onto Busythings— it's free and full of lots of activities for a range of curriculum subjects



Pedestrian Skills

Yr4 Pedestrian Skills training

Year 4 took part in Pedestrian Skills Training provided by road safety specialists, For2Feet. The training took place in groups on the pavements and roads around the school. The children learnt essential road safety skills such as the 'Stop, Look and Listen' method, how to find a safe place to cross the road, how to use a zebra/pelican/island crossings near the school and how to cross at junctions or between parked cars.

They also learnt how to spot other dangers such as cars reversing from driveways and getting distracted by music/mobile phones. Pedestrian skills will not only benefit the children on their journey to school, but will help them become safe and sensible pedestrians when out and about themselves especially as they become independent travellers.









Yr5/6 Girls Football Tournament

On Monday 9th October we attended a girls football festival at Brentford school for girls. The event consisted of 4 different events. We played 3 vs 3 football matches, a netball game where they were also able to use their feet to score, a 5 vs 5 match as well as a capture the flag game in which we had to accumulate as many of the footballs as we could, then defend them whilst also trying to retrieve more from our opponents.

We got off to a great start in our 5 vs 5 matches as the year 6's dominated their game creating several chances and limiting the other team. They won 2-0 in the end and were ecstatic every time they scored, really great to see how much it meant to them. The year 5's took over and battled well, they were unlucky to draw 0-0 as they came close to scoring so many times.

We moved on to the capture the flag game in which we had to collect as many footballs as we could, then defend them while retrieving more. It was great to see organisational skills and team work straight from the start, as some of them took it upon themselves to assign roles and jobs that suited everyone as well as giving them opportunities to score.

The year 5's were unstoppable when we got to the netball game. Winning any 50/50 and being so quick and direct with their attacking, they won their game 5-0! Amazing performance for the year 6's to follow. Our year 6's weren't as direct as the year 5's but they were so comfortable finding spaces and keeping the ball away from their opponents. Looks like we will have a lot of competition for the netball teams later this year.

When we got to the 3v3 matches, one thing I loved was that I was able to just sit back and watch. They didn't need any coaching. They gave it their all, organised positions, won so many tackles and scored lots of goals going undefeated in this round.

Every single one of the girls scored during the competition. The team work and enjoyment was visible from the start and we are really proud of them. The girls showed great ability, effort, tactical awareness but also amazing support for one another. A great start to the year!

Well done to all that represented us and thank you to Keeva's mum and Emilia's mum for helping out for the event.

