Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term.

We celebrated All Saints mass in church on Wednesday – many thanks to Fr. Gerard for reminding us that we are all 'saints in the making', and thanks to Ms. Grimshaw for organising the Mass and to Mrs. O'Connor for playing the organ. Thank you to all those children in Year 6 who read so beautifully and to our altar servers. It was lovely having so many parents join us at mass too.

Congratulations!

You will all have seen the letter we received about our 'Pupil Performance Data'. I know what a great job we do at Our Lady & St John's, and it certainly is not all about results. However, it is lovely to be acknowledged. Huge congratulations to all the pupils and staff who work so hard.

We also received our Gold Healthy School's award. This is again, down to the hard work of our whole school community to promote the health and well-being of our community. A special 'thank you' to Mrs. Ashton, Mrs. Harty and Mrs. Baranska for co-ordinating this programme.

Finally, we also received our Gold Sports Award—huge congratulations to Mr. Bovington, Mrs. Sheehan and PSD for all their commitment and hard work to ensuring the highest quality PE for all our children.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Cunningham

Important Dates

Monday 6th November
- Year 5&6 Victorians trip to Gunnersbury park

Tuesday 7th November
- Year 1&2 trip to Boston park museum

Wednesday 8th November
8:50 Yr1 phonics & reading meeting for parents

Friday 10th November
- Children in Need

Monday 13th November **Anti-Bullying week**
- Nasal spray for children in R-Yr6 if you have given consent.
- Odd socks day

Tuesday 14th November
- Individual photos
- Remembrance day assembly for children

Thursday 16th November
8:50 Yr4 class mass
2:45 Yr1 celebration service

Tuesday 21st November
- Yr 1 & 2 Gunnersbury museum
- Remembrance day assembly for children

Wednesday 22nd November
8:30-9:30 Nursery & Reception Stay & Play

Thursday 23rd November
8:50 Yr5 class mass

Friday 24th November
- **INSET DAY**

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.



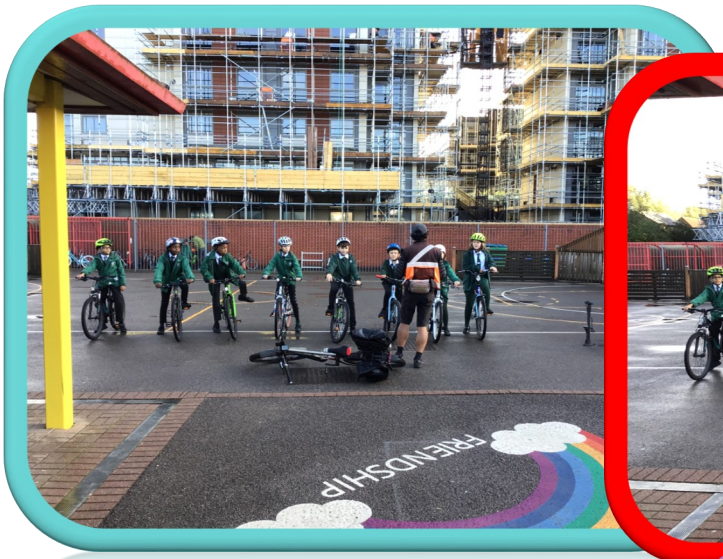
Bikeability

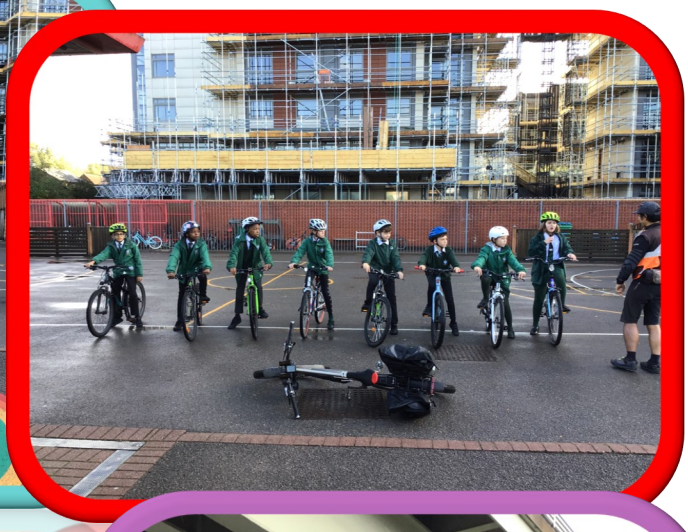
The children in year 6 have had a fantastic time this week on their bikes. They have been learning how to keep safe when riding on the road.

There have been many skills to learn, from riding one handed to looking backwards to check any traffic.

The children battled through the rain and winds, gaining an understanding how rain and wind can make cycling dangerous and extra care must be taken.

Thank you to all that helped them to have a fun learning experience.









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Dear parents, the School Council are beginning to organise '**Children in Need'** day for this year.

We need your help.
We will be holding our own 'Children in Need' fete.

Do you have any unwanted gifts, books and toys that we could sell? Half term could be a good opportunity to have a clear out.

If you do, we ask that you bring them into school week beginning **6th November**.

We will also be inviting all the children to come into school dressed in 'Spots' for a donation of £1—payable on Parentmail

Over the next few weeks the School Council will be sending out further details.

Please check your Google Classroom/Parentmail for further information about how we will be celebrating this day.

A huge thank you in advance for supporting this event, we always have so much fun.

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Yr6 Car washing (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 2:15-3:00pm)
(Yr6 please bring in buckets and sponges)
Yr5 Cake Sale (Please bring in Cakes & biscuits for Friday's fete)
Yr4 Toy/Book fair (Please bring in toys/books)
Yr3 Raffle (Please bring in prizes for the raffle)
Yr2 Guess the name of the teddy (Have you got a nearly new teddy to donate?)
Yr1 Guess how many sweets are in the jar (Please bring in wrapped sweets for the jar)
Reception & Nursery Teddy bears picnic (Children to bring in their favourite teddy)
Staff: Guess the weight of the cake

Do not forget your money to spend on the day – face painting will also be available
Children will get the opportunity to take part in these activities on Friday.

We need your support.
In addition to supporting your class, if you can donate any: prizes, cakes, books and toys for us to sell on this day it would be most appreciated.

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MAYOR OF LONDON

HEALTHY SCHOOLS LONDON

GOLD

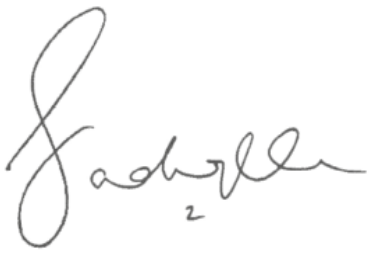
Awarded to:

Our Lady and St John RC Primary

Date:

September 2023

For your outstanding contribution to improve wellbeing in your school



Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London

SCHOOL GAMES

GOLD

2022/23

Our Lady & St John

has achieved the Gold School Games Mark award for their commitment, engagement in the School Games for 2022/23.

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