



~ Newsletter for the St. Scholastica's School Community

THANK YOU

As always this has been a very busy and very successful term. Together we have celebrated Masses, assemblies and Nativity plays, gone on trips to museums, the Olympic Park, Lee Valley and Kench Hill. We have taken part in national and international events such as Poetry Day, Children in Need and Remembrance Day and World Heritage Month.

The children have won numerous awards such as gold TLF STARS Award and Pupil Initiative, People's Choice award for their growing and sustainability work in school. Taken part in and won sports competitions such as KS 1 multi-sports, girls and boys football, cycling, cross country events and many more.

Visitors to school have included workshops for Anti-bullying Week, This is Rubbish, Hi Impact, theatre groups and of course the Panto this week.

We raised money for Children in Need, St Scholastica Church, the Poppy Appeal and the school collected an amazing amount of food and supplies for the parish homeless shelters of Hackney as well as collecting over 200 books for the Hackney Bus Book.

In this Year of Mercy it is wonderful to see how much the light of Christ is still very much alive in this school Community and how we are all working together to fulfil our school Vision statement.

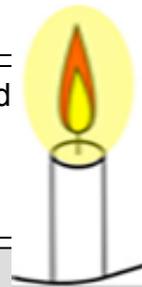
We thank you all very much for all your great support and generosity again this term; we can be very proud of all the work we do together.

We wish you a very happy and holy Christmas and all the very best for the coming year.



In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:1-14



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 18th December - NO BREAKFAST CLUB & end of school term 1.30pm

Monday 4th January - INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday 5th January - School opens for start of spring term for pupils

Wednesday 6th January - Epiphany Mass 2pm in the Church

Thursday 7th January - Yrs 5 & 6 singing at St Anne's home & SW Labrom Football Cup Competition 4pm

Friday January 8th - Yr. 6 Assembly

Monday 11th January - Yr 6 ice skating

Friday 15th January - Yr. 3 Assembly in school hall & Cycling Circuit Race in the Velodrome at the Olympic Park pm

Friday 22nd January - Yr. 5 Assembly

Wednesday 27th January - Cross Country Yr. 5 & 6

Thursday 28th January - Girls football Competition, Alan Hutchinson

Friday 29th January - Yr. 4 Assembly

Tuesday 2nd February - Parent RE Curriculum Meeting at 5 pm

Wednesday 3rd February - Yr. 5 & 6 Cross Country Meeting at Hackney Downs

Friday 5th February - St Scholastica's Mass 10am & St Scholastica's Got Talent 2pm

All the school community are welcome to join us at all Masses and assemblies at 2.45pm we love to share these special occasions with you

GOOD LUCK MS HARDING & WELCOME MR LIMA

We wish Ms Heather Harding a very happy retirement and a very BIG thank you for all the fabulous work she has done with the children she will be missed by all.

However we also have a BIG welcome for Mr Lima who starts with us in January as our new and very talented Music teacher. He comes with a wealth of knowledge and experience and we are sure he will carry on Ms Harding's great work.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATES

Due to St Scholastica's Day falling in Lent we are bring forward our celebrations for both St Scholastica's Feast Mass and St Scholastica's Got Talent to the week before both are now on Friday 5th February. In addition Spirituality Week is now the week starting 8th February.

SCHOOL CLOSURES ON FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER AT 1.30pm AND OPENS ON TUESDAY 5th JANUARY at 8.50am

PITCH PERFECT PERFORMANCES

A big well done to all of Reception, KS 1 and 2 for their Christmas Nativity play. Thanks to all of the actors for their excellent performing. All of your practising paid off!

There were so many compliments from the parents and grandparents who came to see both productions. As one parent said "You truly are a Catholic school."

A big thank you to all the staff for their hard work in making the shows a big success especially Mrs Coyston and her fabulous costumes and musical arrangements. And to all the parents, grandparents and friends without whose support things would not be possible.



UNIFORM REMINDER

A number of children are coming into school with boots on them especially Kicker ankle boots. Any kind of boot including ankle boots are not part of our school uniform; when children are sitting crossed legged on the floor they are very uncomfortable for them.

In addition the uniform policy also says that "*Due to stringent fire safety regulations the children may only have the St Scholastica's school bag.*"

As our corridors are designated fire exits they must be kept as clear as possible therefore children's bags are put in their class trays.

The school bags are designed for this purpose and fit neatly into your child's tray in class.

Please can you ensure that your child has the correct school sweatshirt with the school logo on it.

Attached is a copy of our school uniform policy that has been sent out previously. It is also on the school website.

If you do have problems obtaining any of the school uniform please let us know. Many thanks for your help in this matter.

Uniform Suppliers

You can buy the school uniform at the shop or go on line to order.

Divine Solutions Schoolwear Ltd,

www.dsschoolwear.com

3 Northumberland Park,

Tottenham

N17 0TA

Tele: 020 8216 9113

RECEPTION PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

Nursery parents have you completed your On-Line application?

Have you supplied the school office with all necessary documentation?

Don't leave it too late – closing date for the above is FRIDAY JANUARY 15TH 2016.

School PE Kits

Your child should have given you their school PE kit to wash for them.

It would really be great if it could be returned back to school with them on our first day back 5th January so they are ready to take part in their first PE lesson.

One of the biggest problems we have is pupils PE kit getting misplaced, to reduce the chances of this happening I would ask that all kit including plimsolls have their names written in them. Please also remember that your child should not wear any jewellery into school on their P.E. days.

Every child in the school must take part in P.E. and it is their parent's responsibility to provide the correct kit which is

A plain red, polo or crew neck t-shirt with our school logo (optional)

A plain pair of black shorts (no logos)

A pair of black plimsolls.

During the winter months we rarely do P.E. in the playground but if this was to happen you can also provide your child with a plain tracksuit - sweatshirt (no hoodies) and plain black or grey track bottoms again with no logos but with their names wrote on them.

'This is Rubbish' workshop

By Chloe R and Anthony

On the 30th of November Years 3, 4 and 5 done a workshop about rubbish. We learnt that you can make ice cream with bananas that are black. We talked about how much food gets wasted everyday just because if they are black or not the right colour. We made posters of fruit heroes and we also made fruit kebabs. In this is rubbish we also learned that you can try something new.