



## ~ Newsletter for the St. Scholastica's School Community

### STARS AWARD CEROMONY

By: Favour, Ella, Joshua, Chloe K.  
The JRSO's

On Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of October your school JRSO's (Junior Road Safety Officers) went to a special award ceremony at Camden Town Hall to receive our schools gold stars award for all the work we do on our school TLF STARS travel plan.

We started our journey and got the 73 from Stoke Newington to Kings Cross and it took a long time to get there but it was all worth it.

When we arrived we were met by officials from TFL whom we had to register and we were given an activity card to complete throughout the day. All the activities involved us having to network with other schools representatives asking question like if they cycled to school, if they were a gold accredited school (like us).

We also did lots of fun activities to do with our jobs like transport bingo and many more. After all our fun activities we all had a fantastic lunch and then came the award ceremony.

Because we were to receive our Gold award we had to wait till last as they presented the bronze and silver awards first, during this we were all getting very excited. Then it was our turn, we were the only school from Hackney who was there on the day.

When we received our Gold Star we then had some photographs taken, we couldn't stop smiling because we were so elated to have won.

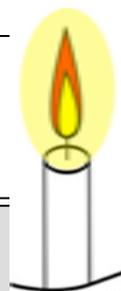
Thank you to everyone in the school who has helped us achieve such a tremendous award, please keep up all your good work like travel tracker, sustainable travel to and from school and not parking on the zig-zag lines.

Thank you to Mr Healy and Mrs Coyston for all their help.



You, Lord, are all I have,  
and you give me all I need;  
my future is in your hands.

Psalms 15



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - World Heritage Celebration assembly & Yr. 2 to The Museum of London**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October - school closed for half term**

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Mass for Holy Souls 10am in the Church & Christmas Needlework Classes 12.15pm**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Poppy Appeal Assembly**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November - Orienteering, Springfield Park Yrs. 4, 5 & 6**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November - Yr. 3 & 5 to Hackney Picture House & Yr. 1 Assembly**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Yrs. 1 & 2 to Rio Cinema & parents Evening**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - 11am Armistice Service & Parents Evening**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Yr. 4 to Rio Cinema, Bike racing in Hackney Downs & Yr. 2 Assembly**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November - Anti Bullying Week and Hi Impact Computing in school**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November - Girls Football Mabley Green**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Yr. 6 to Horniman Museum**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November - Flu vaccinations for Yr. 1 & 2 & anti bullying assembly**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Road Safety Week**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November - Athletics at Hackney Downs**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Blessing of the Advent Wreath**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Yr. 6 to Westminster Abbey & Athletics in Hackney Downs**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Yr. 3 Assembly**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Mass for Immaculate Conception & Year of Mercy at 2pm in Church**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Reception & KS1 Nativity Play**

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

### PLAYGROUND UPDATE

The side gate to the playground is open again so you are able to enter the playground again from Kenninghall Road.

We are still waiting for the post to be delivered for the netting that needs to be put up around the multi sports pitch, this should hopefully be finished in the first week of November.

The builders will also start the climbing area and weather permitting this should take about five weeks to complete. Then the staging area can be started. So hopefully before Christmas most of the playground will be completed.

### **Julia Donaldson works her Magic!**

The Nursery children were spellbound by Julia Donaldson's 'Room on a Broom'. They were engrossed in mixing potions and creating amazing magic wands. We looked at the rhyming words in the story and enjoyed counting the frogs the friendly witch brought to our classroom. The children have become so familiar with the text that they have been joining in as we read. We also encouraged meaningful mark making and acted out the story, which is vital for the development of language. Julia Donaldson is one of our favourite authors in Nursery and we look forward to reading many more of her books throughout the year.

### **Scientific Year 5!!!**

By Zuriel

In Year 5 we have a new topic for Science called "Changing State". We have learnt some new vocabulary like evaporation, vapour and condensation.

Here are some examples of things that can change their original state: water, chocolate, ice cream and juice. This is because they can be frozen solid but can also melt down to a liquid.

I think the class have worked really well together, so far with this topic. I am really interested in learning more about evaporation, condensation and the water cycle.

### **Sutton House**

**By Joshua & Aaron.**

On Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2015, year 5 visited the long-standing Sutton house! Did you know that Sutton house has stood for 500 years exactly? We took part in Influential Black Londoners workshop. We learnt that Black and Asian people have been all around Britain since the time of the Romans. Shortly after we split up into 2 different groups. We went into rooms to experience how life was for some people. We learnt about a lot of people but were very interested in Mary Seacole who was from Jamaica. She helped the soldiers who fought in the Crimean War. Luckily, she never got injured or caught a disease while curing soldiers in the middle of the battlefield. She was arguably more important than Florence Nightingale, who cured lots of people as well, even though she is not as well known. We enjoyed our visit and hope to go to Sutton House again.

### **Christmas Needlework Classes**

If you are interested in Craft then we at St Scholasticas have an opportunity for you to learn more.

We are starting a needlework family learning course on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 12:15 in our school's parent room.

Because it is a family learning class the children will join their parents/ carers at 3:30pm where you will both continue to make something on a theme around Christmas for a family member or friend it is up to you.

This course is FREE. All we ask is that you make an effort to attend every week so as not to disappoint your child/children.

This course is also a great way for you and your child/children to work together to create something from scratch. It is also a great chance for you to help teach the little ones how to sew and stitch in a warm friendly environment with no distractions.

If you are interested or have any questions please let me know. Mr Healy

### **We're Going on a Bear Hunt!**

**By Reception**

In Reception we have been reading a great story called "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" by Michael Rosen. This book is about a family searching through grass, a river, mud, a forest and a snowstorm to find a bear. When the characters find the big brown bear they run away and the bear is ever so sad and lonely. Later we received a letter from Big Brown Bear in a special envelope. It read "I wasn't chasing the family and I didn't mean to scare them. I was looking for people to play with. My favourite game is Hide and Seek." Big Brown Bear invited our whole class to play Hide and Seek with all his furry friends in our outdoor area.

We found so many kinds of bears; polar bears, black bears, brown bears, panda bears, sun bears, spectacled bears, moon bears and sloth bears!

We had so much fun!