

St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School



Friday Note

19th October 2018

Thank you to all our children, staff and parents for a really successful and productive first half-term. All classes have settled well, learning has been enriched with useful visits and visitors and children have concentrated on wider curriculum subjects such as Art and Music this week with good outcomes.

WEEKLY THEME

When we return after half-term our focus will be on Bonfire Safety. In addition, we will mark All Saints Day on Thursday 1st November with Mass for Key Stage 2 in school.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

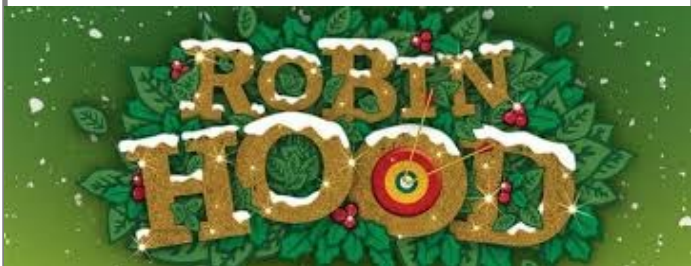
The final day to return photograph orders and money is Friday 2nd November. Any orders received after this date will have their money returned.

JUNIOR LANGUAGE AWARD

The fantastic work we do in Modern Foreign Languages in school has been acknowledged and we were awarded the 'Primary Languages Development Award' today, which we are delighted with. Many thanks and congratulations to all our children in their Spanish lessons and particularly to Mr Artingstall, who delivers this aspect of the curriculum.

PANTOMIME

Letters have been circulated and uploaded on the website with advance notice that we intend taking the whole school (excluding Pre-School) to watch a Pantomime screening of Robin Hood after Christmas. To ensure this can go ahead, we do require a contribution of £10 per child. This can be paid in instalments if you prefer.



CLASS 12 DRAMA WORKSHOP

Class 12 were involved in a workshop this week in relation to their work on the Victorians.

They had to crawl through "chimneys" as chimney sweeps, they pretended to be a Victorian machine and created a "pop-up" play.

POPPIES

We will be selling poppies on our return to school after half-term. There is also a selection of keyrings, pencils, erasers, rulers and pencil sharpeners.

FIT FRIDAY

Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to our first 'Fit Friday Fundraiser' today.

PARENTS' EVENING

Many thanks to parents who attended meetings to discuss your child's settling in period and progress so far. If you were unable to make the meetings, teachers will contact you after half-term to re-arrange a convenient time and day to meet.

Thank you for your feedback, this will be collated and shared with you in due course.

Parents' Evening for Class 3 will be re-scheduled after half-term when Miss Taylor will hopefully be recovered and back with us.

WITH YOU ALWAYS—FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Many thanks to everyone who attended the first meeting at Holy Family Church this week, engaging with the session brilliantly. Your support is very much appreciated.

DISCO / PARTY

Tickets are now on sale at the office for Key Stage 1 disco and Key Stage 2 party taking place on Thursday 1st November.

- Fancy Dress Disco for Reception, Y1 and Y2 at 3.45—4.45pm. Tickets cost £2 and includes a packet of sweets and a drink.
- Junior Party Year 3 and above is at 5-6pm, tickets are £1, crisps, sweets and pop will be on sale.

HALF-TERM

We will return to school on Monday 29th October.

AWARD WINNERS THIS WEEK

This week's certificates are awarded to:

★ **Samuel O** for showing **RESPECT**

★ **Tia W, Grace S, Bella S & Lucie M**
for showing **LOVE**

★ **Scarlett S & Liam L** for showing
HONESTY & COURAGE

★ **Chantelle B, Patryk G & Callum L**
for showing **RESPONSIBILITY**

★ Class 3 - **Jason**

Class 4 - **Phoebe**

Class 5 - **Arran**

Class 6 - **Max**

Class 7 - **Abbie**

Class 8 - **All of Class 8**

Class 9 - **D'Anna**

Class 10 - **Aiden**

Class 11 - **Ruby**

Class 12 - **Hannah**

For showing **EFFORT** (Star of the Week)

Congratulations and Well Done!

READING REWARD

Please continue to read at home with your children 5 times a week, it is part of their homework and is very important!!

Our target is 90%. Please read with your child and sign their diaries—5 times a week!!

Big well done to **Class 8** this week, 100% of the class have read 5 times or more.

Fantastic!!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 19th Oct	School Closes for Half Term
Mon 29th Oct	School re-opens
Wed 31st Oct	Class 5 visit to the Fusilier Museum
Tue 6th Nov	Class 11 visit to Hoghton Tower

CURLING COMPETITION

Well done to our Key Stage 1 children who took part in a curling competition this week. Well done Heidi, Keenan, Tia, Pheobe, Jacob, Kamil, Christopher and Ruby.

They did really well and showed great enthusiasm for the game! Mrs Fox was very proud of all the children who took part. We now have a curling club taking place after half term on a Tuesday after school with Mr Butler. It would be great to see the curling team there!

PE

The next topic for PE is athletics and will be outside so children need outdoor kit (black tracksuit).

LOST PROPERTY

We have a number of winter coats already in lost property, if you think one of these could belong to you please contact the school office.

ATTENDANCE

Here are the attendance figures and punctuality numbers for last week:

Congratulations to **Class 5** in the infants with 96.8% and **Class 9** in the juniors with 98.2% attendance and no lates. Well done!!

Doors open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am.

CI	Att %	Late		CI	Att %	Lates
1	83.3	2		7	94.4	0
2	86.2	1		8	97.3	2
3	90	3		9	98.2	0
4	93.9	0		10	93.1	3
5	96.8	5		11	84	2
6	94.5	1		12	91.4	2