



St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School
Following Jesus in all we think, do and say

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Dear Parents, carers, pupils, staff and governors,

Feast of All Saints

Tuesday 1st November was the Feast of All Saints and we were delighted that children and staff in Years 1 to 6 were able to attend a Mass celebrated by Mgr. Keith Barltrop in our parish church. Mgr. Keith Barltrop reminded all gathered that All Saints' Day is a Christian solemnity, or dignified remembrance, that celebrates the honour of all church saints, whether known or unknown. He reminded all gathered that we are all called to be saints, that is, by being receptive to God's holiness and grace.

The reverence the children showed in Mass is a credit to their parents and the school. We now look forward joining parishioners to celebrate Mass for The Solemnity Immaculate Conception on Thursday 8th December at St. Mary of the Angels Church @10am. Parents and carers are most welcome to join us.

Reminder Mini Vinnies 2022-2023 – 'Turning Concern into Action'

This year, the Mini Vinnies team have decided to ask for donations of winter coats and fleeces for the **Calling London Winter Coat Campaign** and we are delighted to say that we are working once again with Chestertons, Notting Hill, to support this charity. You have until Tuesday 22nd November to drop off your donations of coats, fleeces and jackets to the front office.



What winter clothing items are needed?

- Coats of all styles
- Jackets
- Gilets
- Fleeces

All coats and winter jackets in good condition are welcome for children or adults.

Tower of London: Wednesday 2nd November

On Wednesday 2nd November, Year 5 had a fantastic school trip to Tower of London. The children had an amazing day whereby they got the opportunity to see and explore the tower itself. Thank you to Mrs Waine and Miss Smaller for organising such a memorable trip for our pupils in Year 5.

Year 6 Westminster Cricket Competition: Thursday 3rd November

We send congratulations to the 13 children in 6 who took part in a Cricket competition at Lords Cricket Ground on Thursday. The children represented our school and Ms Percival spoke about the exemplary behaviour shown by all and how all the children displayed great sportsmanship and virtue. We were very proud of how they tried their very best and worked together as a team. They lost their first match (only by a small difference) and came back from defeat to win their second match. Well done to all who took part.

We are all so proud of all the children - their hard work, achievements and the commitment shown

Parent Teacher Consultations

Next week we will be holding parent teacher consultations for parents of pupils in Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Thank you to all of you who have already made an appointment to speak with your child's class teacher. It will be a great opportunity to hear about your child's achievements to date and how they have settled into their new

year groups/class. As always, please contact the school office if you would like to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the senior leadership team regarding any questions or concerns you may have.

Anti-Bullying Week: Monday 14th-Friday 18th November

Anti-bullying Week is an annual national event supported by the Anti-Bullying Alliance that aims to shine a spotlight on bullying and encourage children, teachers and parents to take action against bullying throughout the year. The theme this year is 'Reach Out' and the week will begin with Odd Socks Day on Monday 14th November when children and staff are encouraged to wear odd socks to school to celebrate what makes us all unique.



Throughout the week there will be special anti-bullying activities and workshops in all classes. Our school's 'STOP' acronym continues to support pupils, staff and parents/carers in identifying and preventing/stopping bullying.

The Anti-bullying Alliance have produced resources for parents and carers in partnership with Kidscape which provide information about bullying, tips about what to do if you're worried about bullying and tools to help you talk to your children about bullying. If you would like to get involved then please [click here](#) to access the parental tools and resources.



Road Safety Week: Monday 14th-Friday 18th November

Road Safety Week is the UK's biggest road safety event, which is coordinated each year by Brake, the road safety charity. The event aims to inspire settings, organisations and communities across the UK to take action on road safety and promote life-saving messages. Each year there is a different theme for the Week and this year's theme is: Safe Roads For All.

Throughout the week, each class will explore a lesson regarding Road Safety. We will also welcome a representative of the Met Police/ a Local Westbourne Safer Neighbourhoods Officer to our school on Tuesday 22nd November for a special assembly regarding Road Safety.



Christmas Dates

Celebrating the Good News of Jesus' birth is such an important part of our school and liturgical year so we will be doing all we can to ensure our school community can come together to share in the joy and festivities in the run up to the Nativity of the Lord on Christmas Day.

Friday 25 th November	Christmas Movie Night (more details to follow)
Wednesday 30 th November	Advent Carol Service at Westminster Cathedral (Year 6 only)
Tuesday 6 th December	Foundation Stage Nativity Performance @2.30pm for parents/carers
Wednesday 7 th December	Foundation Stage School Trip to 'The Lyric Theatre'
Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Lunch
	Christmas Jumper Day
	The Solemnity Immaculate Conception Mass @10am (KS2 only)
	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 9 th December	Key Stage 2 Carol Service 2:30pm at St. Mary of Angels Church
Tuesday 13 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity Performance@ 2.30pm for parents/carers
Thursday 15 th December	Santa to visit St. Mary of the Angels
Friday 16 th December	End of Term 2/School closes at 1.30pm.

Prayer and Worship

Ten Ten's November newsletter is now available for you to read [here](#) or by visiting the [Prayer and Worship](#) for Home section of the school website.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Wilson	Mrs Hough
Headteacher	Acting Deputy Headteacher