



# Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Newsletter No. 5

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

*Guided by the teachings of the Church we pray, work, celebrate, and care for each other and other people using the gifts we have been given by God the Father, Son and Spirit.*

Dates for your diary		
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	All Month	Black History Month
	Year 6	Bikeability Week! Those Y6 taking part bring their roadworthy bike to school today
	Mon-Wed	Book Fair open to Parents 3.15pm to 3.30pm in ICT Suite
	Thurs	Book Fair open to parents 3.15pm to 6pm in ICT Suite
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	3.15pm	Year 2 SATs meeting – Parents of Year 2 invited
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	Mass
	All Day	Walk to School Day - Try to walk to school today please
	3.15pm	Year 6 SATs meeting - Parents of Year 6 invited
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	3pm to 6pm	Parents Evening
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	All Day	Year 2 trip to Cannock Chase Museum
	3.15pm	Year 4 Multiplication meeting – Parents of 4B and 4C classes invited
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	4pm to 5pm	KS1 and Reception Disco – refreshments available

## Invitation to Mass



All are welcome to join us on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 9:15am for school Mass led by Key Stage 1

All families are invited to **Family Mass** on the first Sunday of each month at The Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church

The Faith in Action Group would be grateful of any donations for their tombola - these can be handed to the main school and would demonstrate this half terms virtues: Grateful and Generous.

## A Note from Mrs Milligan

We have had a very busy week this week and the children have made an extra special effort to show little acts of kindness to each other and live out our school virtues. Thank you to all those families who have sent in donations for harvest, and please continue to send in whatever you can spare so that our school can share the kindness of pupils and parents with the wider community.

A big thank you to the Foyle Foundation who have decided to offer Guardian Angels a grant of £3500 towards library books. We hope to spend this money after half term and open the library up for families and children to use after school.



### Little Way Week

Throughout this week, the children at Guardian Angels have been doing little acts of kindness. The children found out how Thérèse Martin became one of the most-loved saints, with statues of her in churches all over the world. They were asked to do small acts to friends and family to make the world a happier place.



### Library Visit

A big thank you to year 6 for a fantastic local visit to Shard End Library last week. The children were so well behaved and learned many interesting facts about their creative topic – disaster.



### Guardian Angels Feast Day

Thank you to Year 3 and to all the parents who attended Mass on Wednesday to celebrate our feast day. The children had cake in class and many of the people attending Mass returned to school to celebrate with cake and coffee.



### Commitment Mass

Those children receiving the sacrament of Confirmation or Holy Communion this year must attend a Commitment Mass. This year there are two dates to choose from, Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 9.45 OR Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 9.45 at Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church.

### EYFS Class September 2020

If you have a child due to start school in September 2020, we ask you to visit [www.birmingham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/admissions) and submit an online application by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020. (The final closing date). If you are applying for a place at Guardian Angels you will also need to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) this is available from the School Office or on the website, please complete this form and return to the school office. Most importantly make sure you provide the information requested, it is vital that proof of Baptism is included with this form if your child has been baptised Catholic.

**Open day - 12<sup>th</sup> November 1.30pm and 3.30pm**

### Year 6 Confirmation Meeting

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Confirmation meeting this week. If you were unable to attend for any reason, please contact Mr Johnson or Mrs Martin for a copy of the information provided.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES OF SCHOOL EVENTS

### Book Fair

Next week, each night after school (Monday-Thursday), the book fayre will be open to buy books for your children. The fair will also be open late on parents evening (Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October) to allow all parents and children the opportunity to buy books. A percentage of the money raised from the sale of these books goes back into school and we use it to purchase new reading materials for each class so please try to attend.

### Bikeability

Year 6 will be taking part in Bikeability throughout the week commencing Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. This is a Cycling Proficiency test designed to support children riding bikes. It is a fantastic opportunity for children and it is important that the children taking part bring their bikes to school each day. Unfortunately, we do not have the facilities to store any bikes overnight.

### Key Stage 1 and 2 SATS meetings

Year 2 and 6 are very important years in a child's schooling. We will be holding a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 SATs parent meeting next week to keep you informed about the expectations and any government changes surrounding the standardised tests your child will be taking this year. Please make every effort to attend.

**Key Stage 1 (Year 2) – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 3.15**

**Key Stage 2 (Year 6) – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 3.15**

### Parents Evening

**Date: 10/10/19**

**Time: 3.00-6.00pm**

**Venue: School Hall**

Please ensure that you have returned your form to book an appointment.

### Harvest Food Donations



It is Harvest time again. Last year, we received many items of food donated by the children and families of Guardian Angels School. This was gratefully received and duly donated to 'The Kingfisher Food Bank' and to the elders living within our Parish.

If you are able to donate any items this year (tins of food, biscuits, tea bags, tinned fruit etc.), please send them into school with your child as soon as possible and no later than **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019**. We would appreciate it if you could check the expiry dates before doing so. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.



### Article 19 (protection from violence, abuse and neglect)



#### Safeguarding tip of the week:

Barnardos aims to alleviate the long-term effects of domestic violence on children through counselling and family support services. Tel: 0121 550 5271 / 6 Web: [www.barnardos.org.uk](http://www.barnardos.org.uk)

### This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to:

Harrison (Reception)

Elijah (Year 1)

Isabella (4C)

Tommy-Jay (4B)

Shanae (Year 6)

### Attendance

#### Article 28 (right to education)

#### Well done Reception!!

Reception	99.7%
Year 1	94.3%
Year 2	95.5%
Year 3	98.6%
4B	98.9%
4C	98.6%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	96%
<b>Overall Total for School</b>	<b>97.4%</b>

**Our whole school target is 97% Please ensure that your child is in school every day possible.**



## STARS OF THE WEEK

### Article 29 (goals of education)

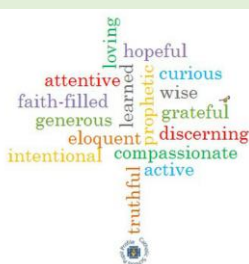
There pupils have been 'Aiming High' and displaying this half term's virtues.  
We look forward to congratulating:

Group	Star Pupils	Virtues
Reception	Jolie and Maisie	Ogooluwa
Year 1	Francesca and Corey-James	Elijah
Year 2	Liam and Darcy	Colm
Class 3	Phillip and Freya	Orlaith
Class 4B	Louis and Sinead	Tommy-Jay
Year 4C	Thomas and Tiffany-Rose	Martyna
Year 5	Imogen and Juliusz	E'Shae
Year 6	Ethan and Lowen	Callum

Parents of the selected pupils are invited to attend the assembly on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 2:45pm

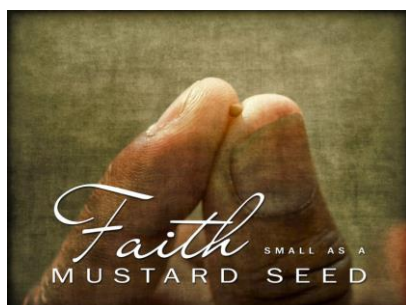
#### Grateful:

We are grateful for the gifts God has given to us, for the gifts of other people and the blessings of each new day. We are thankful for what we have and for the people around us.



#### Generous:

We are generous with our gifts and use them in the service of others. We are generous with our time and give of ourselves to serve others, as God wants us to. We are generous with our actions, doing things to help other people and make a difference in the world.



*God of life, give us the courage to try to make a change to our world, no matter how small, and the faith to know that with you all things are possible. Amen.*

God Bless and we hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs H Milligan (Head Teacher)

Mr A Spindlow (Deputy Head Teacher)

