



# Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Newsletter No. 6

Friday 11<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 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. Please pay via ParentPay
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	9.45am	Commitment Mass @ Church (Holy communicants and confirmandi)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	6.00pm	MAC Director information evening- see details on flyer attached

## Invitation to Mass



All are welcome to join us on Wednesday 16th October 2019 at 9:15am for school Mass led by Year 6

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

Another busy week at Guardian Angels. All pupils have been working hard in class and it has been a delight to see that pupils are continuing to make an extra special effort to carry out little acts of kindness and this half terms virtues of grateful and generous.

**Thank you to all parents who were able to attend our Parents Evening on Thursday evening and to our staff who give their time so generously to parents and pupils.**

## Pray Together 19- Live Broadcast of the Rosary with Archbishop Bernard Longley

On Wednesday afternoon we joined Archbishop Bernard and up to 80,000 children and young people to pray together at the same time! As **October is the Extraordinary Missionary Month** and the month is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, we prayed the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary together. Well done to all who participated and thank you to those who organised this for the young people of Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School and the Archdiocese of Birmingham- such a beneficial prayerful time

## Blessed John Henry Newman Feast Day

On Wednesday, we also celebrated the feast day of John Henry Newman. All over the world, people are Preparing for the Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October. To help our families prepare for this we have provided some resources for you to use at home at the end of this newsletter.

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/Category/john-henry-newman>



### **Year 4 and 5 Water Workshop**

This week, Year 4 and 5 had a visit from The Bone Ensemble theatre group who work with Severn Trent. They delivered a performance that was extremely thought provoking which explained all about the importance of not using too much water and the effects on the environment. The children thoroughly enjoyed it!



### **Commitment Mass**

Those children receiving the sacrament of Confirmation or Holy Communion this year and did not attend the Mass on , Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October must attend Commitment Mass on 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 2 SATs Meeting**

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Year 2 SATs information meeting with Miss Hickey. To access past SATs papers, please follow the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials#key-stage-1-past-papers>

### **Year 6 SATs Meeting**

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES OF SCHOOL EVENTS**

### **Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church Tombola**

**Date:** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Time:** After Mass

**Venue:** The Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church

Prizes to be won at the November Family Mass along with refreshments.



### **Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check Parents Information Meeting**

**Date:** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October

**Time:** 3.15pm

**Venue:** Year 4 Classroom

Information for Year 4 parents on the 'Times Table Check' that will take place for all Year 4 pupils in the Summer Term.

### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: Christmas Fayre and Non- Uniform Days**



**Our Christmas Fayre will be held on: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 3.15pm**

To raise much-needed funds for our school and children, we ask that all families contribute to the fayre by donating prizes in return for wearing non-school uniform. The themes for donations are below and we ask that all donations be new, unused and unopened products. If you do not wish to donate, your child should wear school uniform to school on these days.

**Non-uniform days are as follows:**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October: Children's gift donation**  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November: Adult gift donation**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November: Chocolates donation**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: Bottles donation**  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November: Cakes or Sweets donation**

### Year 1 Harvest Assembly

**Date: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Time: 9.30**

**Venue: School Hall**



Year 1 parents are invited to come to watch Year 1 perform their Harvest assembly.

### 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:

YouTube usage: children can stumble across inappropriate videos on you tube without parents being aware. To help combat this, ensure your child uses YouTube Kids, which can be downloaded, from the app store or via the internet link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/kids/>



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

William Year 2

Logan Year 3

Luana Class 4B



### Attendance

#### Article 28 (right to education)

#### Well done Year 3!!

Reception	96.6%
Year 1	89.7%
Year 2	92.3%
Year 3	99.3%
4B	97.9%
4C	95.9%
Year 5	97.3%
Year 6	96%
<b>Overall Total for School</b>	<b>95.6%</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	Layla-Rose and Evan	Lexi
Year 1	Cody and Ava	Olivia
Class 3	Muhammed and Shaylah	Layla
Class 4B	Mahnoor and Luana	Kaden
Year 4C	Maisie and Julian	Sophie
Year 5	Lily and Miah	Ellie
Year 6	Martha and Shanae	Albert

**Parents of the selected pupils are invited to attend the assembly on Monday 14<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.



*Loving Lord, help us to remember all the good things we have which come from you. Fill our hearts with thanks and praise.*

*Amen.*

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

Mrs H Milligan (Head Teacher)

Mr A Spindlow (Deputy Head Teacher)





# Director Vacancies

## Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC



### The Board of Directors are seeking new members

Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC, a group of thirteen Catholic schools based across Solihull, Birmingham and Warwickshire, are creating a Multi Academy Company (MAC). There will be 12 Primaries and 1 Secondary school in this Academy. We are coming together to protect Catholic Education for the long term future of the communities we serve and to support high standards of education for the benefit of current and future pupils.

We are forming a Board of Directors and require volunteers with a range of skills that can support our plans for the future of local Catholic education. Your skills will help lead the MAC in its mission by setting the strategy and supporting the Executive team in achieving the high expectations of a Catholic education across all age ranges.

Applications from individuals with experience in School Improvement, Catholic Education, Finance, HR, Legal, strategic planning and managing change would be particularly welcomed.

An information evening to explain this role will be held at:

Birmingham Diocesan Education Service

Don Bosco House,

Coventry Road, Coleshill B46 3EA

6pm on Monday 21st Oct

Please confirm your attendance by email to:

[academies@bdes.org.uk](mailto:academies@bdes.org.uk)

When: From November 2019

Other: Foundation Directors are required to be practising Catholics. Co-opted roles will be considered.

For further information log onto:

[www.bdes.org.uk/new-academies.html](http://www.bdes.org.uk/new-academies.html)



# JOIN US ON THE JOURNEY TO SAINTHOOD

We are preparing for this momentous occasion by journeying with Newman on his way into the truth.

We're inviting you to join us through our podcasts, videos, blogs, and social media.



Live stream information: <https://www.newmancanonisation.com/>

Resources: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jhn-resources>

## CANONISATION PRAYER CARD



Let us pray for the canonization of  
**BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN**

*"Christianity is eminently an objective religion. For the most part it tells us of persons and facts in simple words, and leaves that announcement to produce its effect on such hearts as are prepared to receive it."*

## PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED JOHN HENRY CARDINAL NEWMAN

O God our Father, You granted to Your servant Blessed John Henry Newman wonderful gifts of nature and of grace, that he should be a spiritual guide in the darkness of this world, an eloquent herald of the Gospel, and a devoted servant of the one Church of Christ. For his insight into the mysteries of the Kingdom, his zealous defence of the teachings of the Church, and his priestly love for all Your children, we pray that he may soon be numbered among the canonized saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(cum permissu)*

Our Father    Hail Mary    Glory Be  
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## WORDS OF NEWMAN



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