



Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Newsletter No. 3

Friday 20th September 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		
Tuesday 24 th September	3.15pm	Year 1 Phonics Screening meeting- Year 1 parents
Wednesday 25 th September	2.00pm	Year 6 Library Visit
Thursday 26 th September	1.30pm	Parishioners afternoon tea
Week Beginning 30/9/19	All week	Little Way Week - the children will hear about St Therese of Lisieux and begin to carry out small acts with great kindness.
Tuesday 1 st October	All Day	Tempest Photography in school – Family Groups from 08.30am inc. siblings under school age (first come, first served). Individual photographs to follow including siblings within school.
Tuesday 1st October	All Month	Black History Month
Wednesday 2 nd October	9.15am	Mass - Guardian Angels Feast Day - All welcome
	All Day	Walk to School Day - Try to walk to school today please.
Thursday 3 rd October	All Day	National Poetry Day
	12.00pm	Soup Kitchen (Cafod Fast Day) @ GAP room

Invitation to Mass

All are welcome to join us on Wednesday 25th September 2019 at 9:15am for our first school Mass of the academic year.

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

Our EYFS class have completed their first full week at school. Well done to all of our children and parents; an exciting start to your Guardian Angels journey. Thank you to Year 4C prepared who a beautiful Mass for us on Wednesday. This was the first school Mass of the academic year and our readers were exceptional. Thank you to Father Michael, Miss Carroll and the Year 4 team.

This week was the launch of our WOW (Walk Once a Week) campaign. Well done to all of those who were able to walk to school at least once this week. Remember, in order to gain the September badge, you must walk to school at least once a week every week. Don't worry if you haven't been able to walk this month, you can walk next month to gain your October badge.



IMPORTANT ALLERGY INFORMATION: Please be aware that there are a number of children and adults in school with allergies to food that may have severe symptoms. With this in mind, please talk to your children about the importance of not sharing food with other children. Sharer bags of snacks are not permitted on Free Choice Friday or any other day of the week. Please provide a sensible sized individual snack.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDER: New School Times

Thank you to parents and pupils for being on time for school every day, even with our earlier start time of 8.55am. **Gates close at 8.55am.** If you arrive after this time, **an adult must walk pupils in through the main entrance** and sign in using the electronic system.

Thank you to the group of parents who managed to attend the MAC consultation meeting yesterday. The consultation period is from Monday 16th Sept to 14th Oct. Suggestions can be emailed to: macconsultation@olaas.co.uk All Governing bodies will review feedback from the consultation meetings. The outcome of the consultations will be published during the week commencing 18th Nov on schools websites.

IMPORTANT PE DAY CHANGES

PE kits should be in school every day as the timetable may need to change.

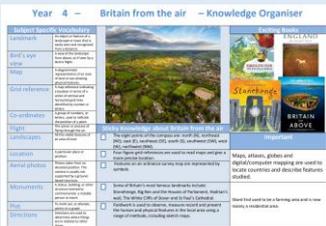
Year 1- Wednesday and Thursday	Year 3- Wednesday and Thursday	Year 5- Monday
Year 2- Monday and Thursday	Year 4 B- Tuesday	Year 6- Tuesday
	Year 4 C- Thursday (Swimming kit - Friday)	

Our Feast Day – 2nd October 2019

Please join us for our Guardian Angels Feast Day Mass on Wednesday 2nd October at 9.15am. Cake and refreshments will be served in the school hall straight after Mass.

We would love you to come to celebrate with us!

Resources to Support Learning- NOW AVAILABLE



Our new Knowledge Organisers and Year Group Curriculum Booklets are now available in the **CURRICULUM** area on our school website.

<https://www.grdangel.bham.sch.uk/curriculum/knowledge-organisers>

<https://www.grdangel.bham.sch.uk/curriculum/curriculum-booklets>

Who to speak to if there is a problem

Here is a quick guide to help parents identify whom to speak to when an issue has arisen at school. Please follow the escalation

First, speak to the class teacher	If the problem is not resolved, book an appointment to see the phase leader	If the problem is not resolved, book an appointment to see the head teacher or Deputy Head teacher
Reception Miss Hulme and Mrs Gazey Year 1 Miss Carr and Mrs Potter Year 2 Miss Hickey*	Miss Hickey	Mrs Milligan
Year 3 Miss Gately Year 4 C Miss Carroll* Year 4 B Miss Beckett	Miss Carroll	Mr Spindlow
Year 5 Miss Foote* and Mr Spindlow Year 6 Mr Johnson and Mrs Martin	Miss Foote	

*Where the phase leader is the class teacher, please request to see one of the other phase leaders

For complaints, please see the schools complaints policy located on the website. Paper copies are available upon request from the main office



IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES OF SCHOOL EVENTS

Year 1 and 2 Phonic Screening Parents Information Meeting

Date: 24/09/19

Time: 3.15pm

Venue: Year 1 Classroom

A meeting for parents of pupils in Year 1 and pupils in Year 2 (who did not pass the phonics Screening Check in Year 1) will be held in the Year 1 Classroom at 3.15 pm. Pupils and siblings who are in school, will be able to stay in another classroom whilst the meeting is taking place.

Year 6 Library Visit

Date: 25/09/19

Time: 1.30- Usual dismissal time from school

Venue: Shard End Library

Year 6 will be visiting Shard End library on 25th September. As pupils are walking to the library, consent has already been obtained through our local walks consent. Pupils will be back at school for their usual dismissal time.

School Photographs

Date: 30/09/19

Time: 8.15 onwards

Venue: School Hall

Tempest photography will be taking the children's school photographs. We will be having **family photographs** taken from 8:15 am until 9:00 am in the school hall. This will be offered on a first come, first served basis, so it is best to arrive at school as early as possible. **Individual** pupil photographs and **sibling** pupil photographs will be taken throughout the school day.

Parents Evening

Date: 10/10/19

Time: 3.00-6.00pm

Venue: School Hall

Please see letter which has been sent home today for details and slip to return for appointment as soon as possible.

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 24th October** 2019. We would appreciate it if you could check the expiry dates before doing so.



Your kindness is greatly appreciated.



Safeguarding tip of the week:

Talk to your child about how to keep themselves safe. For more information, visit the NSPCC website.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/>

This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to:



Davian (Reception)

Meghan (4B)

Leah (4B)

Attendance for first week back

Well done Reception!!

Reception	100%
Year 1	93.9%
Year 2	95.5%
Year 3	98.3%
4B	99.3%
4C	99.6%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	98%
Overall Total for School	97.7%

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

STARS OF THE WEEK

There pupils have been 'Aiming High' and displaying this half term's virtues.

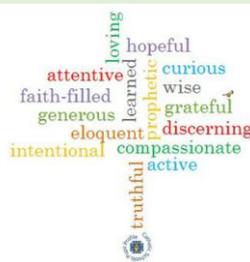
We look forward to congratulating:

Group	Star Pupils	Virtues
Reception	Niamh and Oliver	Jacob
Year 1	Oriane and Kairo	Ava-Tia
Year 2	Heidi and Graison	Saoirse
Class 3	Jono and Tayla	Charlie
Class 4B	Sinead and Kyle	Emily
Year 4C	Summer and Harrison	Scarlett
Year 5	Grace and Maddison	Corey
Year 6	Lille-Mai and Bethany	Ava

Parents of the selected pupils are invited to attend the assembly on Monday 23rd September 2019 at 2:45pm

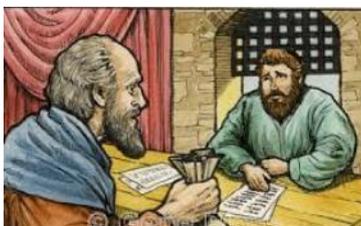
Grateful:

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 plenty, we thank you for all that you have given us.
Help us to remember what is really important in our lives and
to be generous in all that we do.*

Amen.

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

Mrs H Milligan (Head Teacher)

Mr A Spindlow (Deputy Head Teacher)

