



Guardian Angels
Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th March 2024

Newsletter No. 22



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.



Mrs Milligan and Mr Spindlow's Message

On Thursday, our children and staff 'wowed' us as they dressed up as their favourite book characters. The staff put on a fantastic performance of 'The Wizard of Oz' for our children and there was 'reading for enjoyment' paired reading taking place throughout the day. The children and staff really showed how much they love reading. Well done! Please have a look on our twitter page to see some photographs.

Thank you to all the parents that could attend the Year 3 Holy Communion meeting this week. If you have any further questions please speak to Mrs Martin-Westall or Miss Hickey.

Reminder that next week is parents evening. You should all have received text asking you to book your slot. If you have not please contact the school office who can help you with this—thank you.





This Week's Gospel - John 3:14-21

As Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the desert, in the same way the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but to be its saviour.

Those who believe in the Son are not judged; but those who do not believe have already been judged, because they have not believed in God's only Son. This is how the judgment works: the light has come into the world, but people love the darkness rather than the light, because their deeds are evil. Those who do evil things hate the light and will not come to the light, because they do not want their evil deeds to be shown up. But those who do what is true come to the light in order that the light may show that what they did was in obedience to God.

Mass Times:

Saturdays 5pm Guardian Angels School (Vigil Mass of the Sunday)

Sundays 11am Guardian Angels School

Sundays 9am St John the Baptist Church

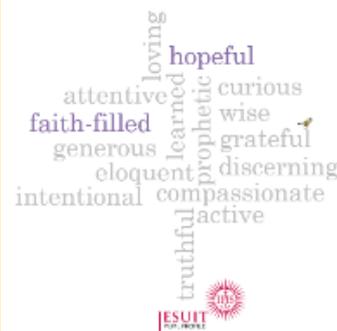
Virtues Award

Year Group	Virtue Award
EYFS	Larna
Year 1	Isabella
Year 2	Max
Year 3	Jude c
Year 4	Mateo
Year 5	Oriane
Year 6	Macie-Lou

Virtues of the Half Term

Faith-filled and Hopeful

Pupils at Guardian Angles are growing to be faith-filled in their beliefs and hopeful for the future.



We help our pupils grow by passing on the living and faith-filled tradition of Jesus Christ; by having persevering faith in

the pupils, and by encouraging them, in turn, to have faith and hope in others.



Reader of the Week

Each week, we award children in each class for remarkable Reading and their dedication to Accelerated Reader Quizzes

EYFS	Adam
Year 1	Natalia
Year 2	Imogen
Year 3	Bonnie
Year 4	Chloe
Year 5	Dolce
Year 6	Amelia

PE Star of the Week

EYFS	Sophia
Year 1	Lily
Year 2	Inioluwa
Year 3	Connor
Year 4	Mason
Year 5	Jesse
Year 6	Carl

Star Pupils

Year Group		
EYFS	Holly	Jaxson
Year 1	Isla	Sidney
Year 2	Frankie	Amelia-Lily
Year 3	Eden	Frankie
Year 4	Nadia	Lexi
Year 5	Blake	Beau
Year 6	Aiden	Zara



Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
Wed 13th March	Parent Evening - please book via the invite text to you
Wed 13th/Thurs 14th March	Bringing Books to Life dance workshop for all year groups—please see ParentPay for payment details
Tues 19th March	Year 3 Shard End Library visit
Fri 22nd March	School breaks up for Easter break
Mon 8th April	Children return to school

Parent's Evening

Parent's Evening will take place on Wednesday 13th March between 3:30pm and 6:30pm.

Firstly, there will be an opportunity to have a look through your child's books in their classroom 10 minutes prior to your appointment time. Following that, you will meet with your child's class teacher for a **five-minute** appointment in the school hall.

Appointments can be made by our online booking system and you will receive a text message (SMS or on your app if you have one) to book an appointment slot. May we respectfully ask that when parents attend, they do so without their children present. This includes younger siblings and children who currently attend the school.

Mother's Day

It was so lovely to see all the parents that were able to attend EYFS Mother's day workshop this Tuesday. The children really did enjoy looking after their mums. Thank you for coming!

Year 6 SATS week

Our children in Year 6 have been working really hard, pushing their limits in preparation for SATs week. Tests will begin on Monday 13th May—Thursday 16th May

This is an extremely important week in the children's academic life and they **MUST** attend school everyday in order to show off their true capabilities and reflect all the hard work they have put in this year.

Monday 13th May	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
Tuesday 14th May	Reading
Wednesday 15th May	Maths Paper 1 & 2
Thursday 16th May	Maths Paper 3



Birthday Celebration this Week



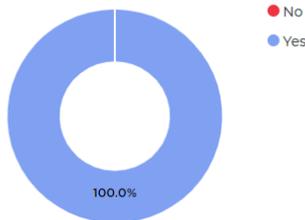
Daniel & Isla (Year 1), Scarlett (Year 2) and Mia (Year 4)

Best wishes from your Guardian Angels family

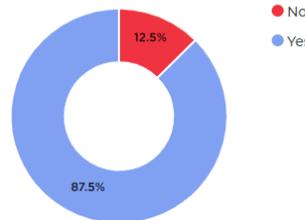
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Could more be done to keep shop workers safe?

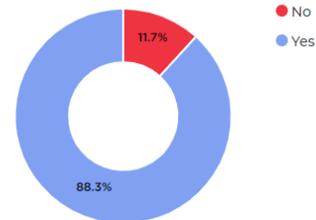
Your School



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Right of the Week



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Article 24 – Every child has the right to the best possible health.

Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this

Lent

This year, classes will be raising money for their chosen charity while also raising money for our school and church community.

Over the next three weeks, children are invited to bring in money for Lenten activities. There will also be a raffle with the chance to win a giant Easter egg!





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Attendance Counts

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Year Group	Attendance %
EYFS	93.4
Year 1	98.3
Year 2	94.3
Year 3	96.4
Year 4	95.0
Year 5	88.7
Year 6	94.3

Attendance Update

Schools can fine parents for the unauthorised absence of their child from school, where the child is of compulsory school age.

Guardian Angels have now had to fine 8 families following Birmingham City Council guidelines

If issued with a penalty notice, parents must pay £60 within 21 days or £120 within 28 days. The payment must be made directly to the local authority..

If the payment has not been made after 28 days, the local authority can decide whether to prosecute the parent.

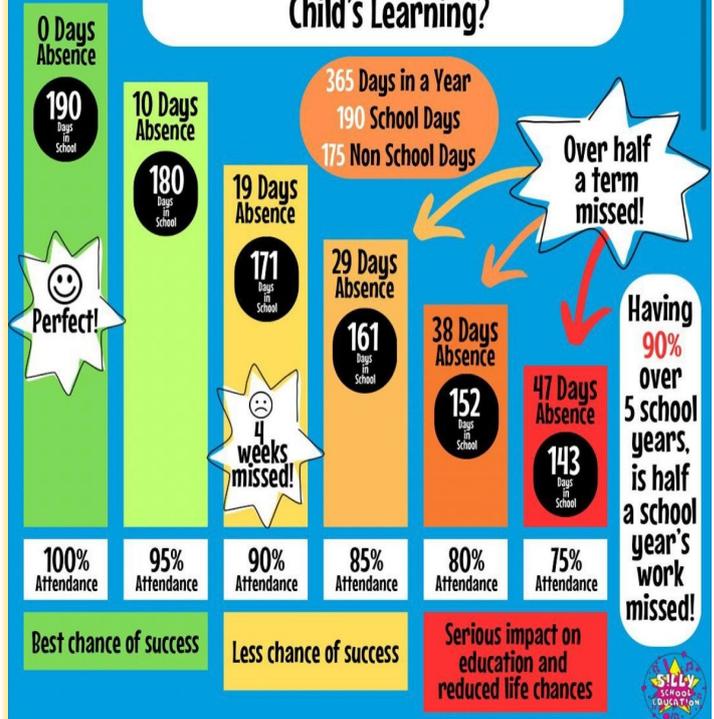
Attendance Support

Mrs Tennant and the attendance team are always available to offer advice and support to help ensure your child is able to attend every day and reach their full potential. To book an appointment, please call the office on: 0121 747 2782

Every Day Counts

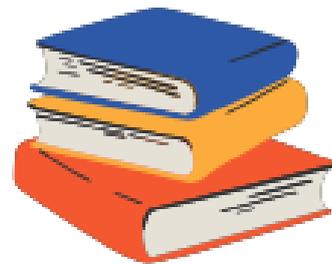
Just before the holiday, all schools in England received a message from the Secretary of State for Education, outlining the concerns linked to attendance nationwide. Whilst our attendance has improved and the number of children below 90% attendance has decreased, there is still work to be done. Our teachers are providing an excellent education in every classroom, everyday - every day missed is a missed learning opportunity. Attendance will remain a huge focus for the whole school this year.

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?





READING *Competition*



Y2-Y6 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WIN AN AMAZON FIRE TABLET!

TO BE WITH A CHANCE TO WIN, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS READ!
ONCE YOU HAVE FINISHED YOUR ZPD BOOK, LOG ONTO ACCELERATED READER
AND COMPLETE THE QUIZ.

The amount of quizzes taken (with a pass rate of 85% or higher) will determine the winner.

THE COMPETITION ENDS ON TUESDAY 19TH MARCH AND THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON FRIDAY 29TH MARCH.





Communication and Autism



Access to
Education

Communication and Autism Team

Parent Workshop – CENTRAL Wyndcliffe Primary School, B9 5BG

**Come along and meet Viv and Katie from the
Communication and Autism Team (CAT).**

This is an opportunity for you to:

- Meet other parent carers with autistic children, or children who are on the neurodevelopmental pathway for assessment
 - For parent carers of children / young people of all ages
 - Find out a bit more about autism
 - Ask questions
- Have some time to reflect and share ideas and experiences

The Spring Workshop Theme is: **Sensory Differences**

The session will be delivered face to face at:

Wyndcliffe Primary School, Little
Green Lane, Small Heath, B9 5BG

Tuesday 19th March 2024
9.30-11.30am

Please note: there are no childcare facilities at the venue.

If you have any questions, please contact the email below:

CATLeadershipTeam@birmingham.gov.uk

Just turn up on the day - there is no need to book. We look forward to seeing you there!

Viv Walters and Katie Price