



# St Robert Southwell School Newsletter





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#### **Catholic Life Of The School**

October is the month of the Holy Rosary; this is a good opportunity to introduce your child to the prayers of the Rosary at home, and particularly to help them to learn the words of the Hail Mary.

#### Thank You On Behalf of the Hallahan Family

The Hallahan family would like to extend their thanks to all those who supported them following the fire in their family home, prior to the summer holiday.

#### **Black History Month**

October is Black History Month. This is being celebrated in a variety of ways by different year groups. Year 2 has already taken part in an African Workshop day in school, which included mask-making and dance. Class 6R also led an assembly on this theme today. Please see the poster in the red frame for special events in Brent this month.

#### **Table-Top Sale**

The Friends' Association are holding a table-top sale tomorrow, Friday, in the small hall. Children may bring £2.00 and a carrier bag with their name on. Donations of cakes or sweets to sell will be gratefully received. The Friends would also appreciate adults who can give an hour during the day to help to sell to the children.

# Friends' Association

Thank you to those who managed to attend the Friends' Association AGM. The turn-out for this meeting was small and there are only just enough members to continue the Association. Their next meeting will be on <u>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30 p.m.</u> New members are always welcome.

#### Friends' Association Disco

The Friends are holding a Family Disco on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, in the school hall, from 6.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. Hot dogs and a bar will be available during the Disco.

#### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thank you to all those who attended the Macmillan coffee morning. £300 was raised for this good cause.

#### **Haircut Reminder**

Appropriate haircuts and styles are part of the uniform policy. Long hair must be tied back and fringes should be clipped away from the eyes. Children should not have steps, symbols or lines shaved into their hair nor should they have a style where the hair is longer on top and shorter at the sides. Hair extensions and colours should be removed before returning to school after half-term.

#### Uniform

After the half-term holiday all children should return to school in full winter uniform, including a black coat. Years 1–6 - Shirt, Tie and Jumper. Reception and Nursery – Jogging bottoms, T-Shirt and Sweatshirt. Please note that, as part of our school uniform, all children should have sensible black school shoes. If you are struggling to pay for school uniform, please make an appointment to see Miss Beck.

#### **Coats**

All children must bring a **black** coat to school every day. We allow children to play out in all weathers, and if your child does not have a coat they will be told to stand outside the staff room during break times, in inclement weather.

### **Plants For The Prayer Gardens**

Thank you for the generous donations of plants for our Prayer Gardens.

#### **Tubs For Schools**

Flora and Tesco have been working together to give UK Primary schools the chance to get a free Samsung Galaxy Tab 7.0" touch screen tablet – by simply collecting tokens from special tubs of Flora

This is what we need to do for our school to get free Samsung Tablets:-

- 1. Collect Tubs4Tablets tokens, inside special 500g tubs of Flora Original or Light and Buttery 500g available from Tesco stores only from 23rd September 2015
- 2. Hand the tokens into school we will then submit them just before Christmas, on the 18th December 2015
- 3. Send them off enough tokens to receive a brand new Samsung Galaxy Tab 7.0" Wi-Fi 8GB, for every 50 tokens collected

## **Parent Information Meetings**

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, we are offering two parent information sessions, one on phonics and the other on assessment of children, in line with the new curriculum. The phonics sessions will run at 2.00 p.m. in the afternoon and 6.30 p.m. in the evening. The assessment sessions will run at 2.30 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. A crèche will be offered for the evening but, on this occasion, places in the crèche must be pre-booked. A separate letter will be sent after half-term for you to book a place in the crèche.

#### **Assemblies**

Class Assemblies **usually take place at 2.45 p.m. on Thursday afternoons**. Parents and family members are welcome to join us on these occasions.

Date	Class
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	4S
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	5R
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	5S N.B. this assembly will be at
-	9.30 a.m.

**Celebration Assembly** takes place each Friday at 9.00 a.m., in the school hall. Everyone is welcome.

# **School Photographs**

Please make sure all orders for school photographs are returned to school by **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.** 

School breaks for half-term at the normal time of <u>3.15 p.m. this Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015</u>. Children return to school on <u>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.55 a.m.</u>