



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. 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 this 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 would be gratefully received. The Friends would also appreciate adults who can give an hour during the day to help to help 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 **Tuesday 3rd November at 7.30 p.m.** New members always welcome.

Friends' Association Disco

The Friends are holding a Family disco on Friday 6th November in the school hall from 6.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. Hot dogs and a bar will be available.

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. For school boys hair is expected to be of one length. Girls should have hair extensions and colours removed before returning to school.

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.

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 11th 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 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 th November	4S
Thursday 12 th November	5R
Thursday 19 th November	5S

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

School Photographs

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

School breaks for half-term at the normal time of 3.15 p.m. this Friday, 23rd October 2015.

Children return to school on **Monday 2nd November at 8.55 a.m.**

