

St Fidelis Catholic Primary School

21st October 2016 Newsletter



BEXLEY CIVIC CELEBRATION OF PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

Yesterday afternoon, three of our Year 6 pupils from last year and their very proud families, attended a special event in the Council Chambers at the Civic Offices in Bexleyheath. The three were recognised for their particular contributions to the life of the school.

Omamerhi Oshevire was an exceptional head boy. He modelled academic excellence, working successfully with others to always achieve the very best. Omamerhi represented the school on many important occasions – the kindest, most articulate and dedicated student in the school.

Alfiena Demby worked with our specialist art teacher both in weekly lessons and the after-school art gifted and talented group to create simply stunning pieces of artwork – sketches, paintings and sculptures. Not only was Alfiena our head girl she was very much our head artist too!

Daniel Wilding was a dedicated student throughout his seven years in St Fidelis. However we would like to recognise Daniels's particular achievements in the field of sports, specifically swimming. Daniel has trained and competed with his own local club, but also represented the school successfully at the Kent Schools Swimming Championships on several occasions.



READING DIARIES

One of our school development priorities this year is to further improve our children's reading abilities. One way that we can all help with the development of this really important skill is to encourage our children to read each and every day. Reading diaries should be used every day to record the reading that our children have completed as this helps us all to check on the progress they are making. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please make sure that all the children are now wearing winter uniform- sometimes some children are forgetting ties and coats, which means they don't look as smart as they could be. During half-term perhaps you could make sure that all items of uniform are clearly named. Thanks for your support in this.

TWITTER

If you haven't already done so you really should join our 360+ followers on Twitter where we upload photos, video clips and pieces of work each day from across the school. It is an excellent way to see some of the exciting things that are happening across the school. Follow us at:

@headstfidelis



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NURSERY STAY AND PLAY DATES

The Nursery is once again running stay and play sessions for parents to attend. The sessions will take place on 14th November and 5th December and will run from 9.00-9.30am for Wrens and 12.30-1.00pm for Doves.

PARENTMAIL

We currently have 85% of parents who have signed up to Parentmail – please make sure we have an e-mail address for you as we send lots of important messages and last-minute information by this method.

READING CAFES

Our weekly reading cafés have now restarted for pupils from Reception to Year 6. Simply come along on a Thursday morning before 9:00am to the main reception area. The café lasts just 15 minutes until 9:15am and we know the children love to welcome visitors to their classrooms. If you have been before then you know what to expect- if you haven't then come along- it is really enjoyable!

CHRISTMAS EVENT DATES

It isn't that long till December, so here are some of the key events in school at that time:

Yr 1 & 6 Advent Mass	Friday 2 nd December 10am
Yr 3 & 5 Advent Mass	Thursday 8 th December 10am
Yr 2 & 4 Advent Mass	Thursday 15 th December 10am
Nursery (Wrens) & Reception Christmas Play	Monday 12 th December 10am
Nursery (Doves) & Reception Christmas Play	Tuesday 13 th December 2pm
Yr 1 & 2 Christmas Play	Thursday 15 th December 2pm
	Friday 16 th December 10am
Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Service Our Lady of the Angels	Tuesday 20 th December 2pm
	Wednesday 21 st December 7pm

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

During the school year each of the classes leads a whole school assembly and the parents and carers for the pupils in that class are invited to come along to be a part of the school community at this time. Please note that different class assemblies will have different start times.

Friday 18 th November	3pm	Yr 4 Puffins
Friday 25 th November	2:45 pm	Yr 6 Ashford assembly
Friday 2 nd December	2:45pm	Yr 5 Sayers Croft assembly

HALF-TERM

Next week is half-term (24th October to 28th October) and the school will be closed, we return on Monday 31st October.

INSET DAY

A reminder that Friday 4th November is an INSET day at school and will be closed to pupils.

Yours sincerely,
Mark Hannon
Head Teacher