



Head Teacher  
Mr. R. Baker

Archdiocese of Birmingham  
ST. WILFRID'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL  
& NURSERY UNIT  
Shawsdale Road, Birmingham, B36 8LY.  
Telephone: 0121 675 3319  
E-mail: [enquiry@stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk)  
Website: [www.stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stwilfrd.bham.sch.uk)

Dear Parent/Guardian

## Newsletter No 2- 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2021

### Our Lady and All Saints MAC

This week, we have been celebrating our membership of the OLAAS MAC along with the children and staff of the 12 other schools.

We have had an exciting week finding out more about the other schools in our OLAAS, completing a Saints trail, artwork and we have also been emailing children from our other MAC schools.

Each school in the MAC has been collecting non-perishable goods for food banks in each local area - thank you for all your very kind and generous donations which will be shared between The Hub and The Pantry. Imagine how many individuals and families can be helped by the collective strength of OLAAS MAC!

### Season of Creation

Pope Francis has named this time from September to the feast of St Francis of Assisi, the Season of Creation. During the Season of Creation, we will be starting two weeks of learning and action all about caring for the environment; for God's beautiful creation. We have teamed up with the family of schools that creates Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company (MAC) and Columban Missionaries Britain, because together we are stronger, 'Stronger in Faith'.

Beginning on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September** and concluding on the feast of St Francis of Assisi, **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October**, this MAC wide project is a special time to pray and act for the earth, our common home.

We will be taking part in lots of exciting activities, so please ask your child about this.

### Non-Uniform Day

Advanced notice - **Friday 1st October is a non-uniform day** - £1 per family. The money will go to the Columbans in recognition of their help given to us whilst working on finding out about Climate Change during the Season of Creation.

### Online Safety

Please see attached an Online Safety Newsletter which we will be sending out **each month** that contains current and useful information about how to keep your child safe online. We have also attached a Parents Control Booklet which gives you information on how you can set parent controls on devices such as an Xbox, PS4 etc.





### **Attendance and Punctuality**

With the government easing of restrictions and more and more people having been vaccinated, the government has confirmed that school attendance continues to be compulsory.

As we know, for our children to make the best progress in their learning, they need to be in school every day. Poor attendance and punctuality severely limits learning and often causes them to fall behind their peers and struggle to catch up.

We will be restarting our 'Wise Up' Programme for attendance rewards. Each term, we will identify those children achieving 97%+ attendance in the term. Each child will receive a 'Gold' certificate and be entered into a draw for a chance to win one of 20 £10 cinema vouchers.

Any child who can achieve 100% attendance over the whole year will be involved in a 'special school treat' at the end of the year!

Please note that holidays during term time will not be authorised and, if taken, risk a fine.

School starts for Nursery at 8.45 am and finishes at 3.15 pm.

Reception to Year 6 - official start time is 8.55 am (school gates open at 8.45 am for children to 'trickle in').

School ends at 3.30 pm.

### **STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK**

Nursery	Ehsan
Reception NM	Whole class
Reception SS	Whole class
Year 1DG	Abubaker
Year 1M	Kylah
Year 2B	Whole class
Year 2G	Whole class
Year 3C	Camilla, Catalin
Year 3M	Deron
Year 4B	Martie
Year 4P	Isaiah
Year 5P	Doniro, Heinrich
Year 5W	Gary
Year 6G	Whole class
Year 6W	Whole class
Sports Award	Yanis-Andrei (2G)

**Well done everyone!**

### **Maternity Leave**

Mrs O'Donnell starts her maternity leave next week. We look forward to the safe arrival of baby O'Donnell.





### **Prayers**

Please continue to pray for the husbands of Janis and Mrs Bishop and Mrs Ward's brother, who are all continuing their recovery after illness.

We pray for the Pernell family as they mourn the death of their aunty/great aunt.

Have a lovely weekend

**R Baker and staff**

