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Newsletter

Dear Parents

Slightly ahead of time this week, due to our INSET Day tomorrow, but even in a four day week, we have packed in an enormous number of things! It has been very striking this week how blessed we are with **parental support** at Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School.

Our **first Class Mass of the year** was last Friday in Emerald Class, where 24 parents joined their children for Mass in the classroom. It was a great turn-out and the children enjoyed the very intimate setting of the classroom where they could see all of the actions of the Mass more closely than at church. The next of our Class Masses will be Friday 13th October (Feast of St Edward the Confessor) for Sapphire Class and we look forward to welcoming Sapphire Class parents for that event.

Our new Reception parents attended their children's **"Welcome Assembly"** on Wednesday, where the older children warmly welcomed Red and Orange Classes into our school family. A few tears were shed by the parents and grandparents and lots of photos and videos were taken. It is an emotional time when our children take that, "One more step along the world" but it was good to see that our Reception children have settled really well into our school and did lots of very cheerful waving and smiling to their parents!

If you would like a further opportunity to participate, our **Cardinal Newman Feast Day will be celebrated on Monday 9th October, with a Liturgy for KS1 at 9am and Mass at 10am for KS2.** Parents are warmly invited to both and we will also be collecting for the Foodbank at those events, to help the children to recognise the need for us to share what we have, especially when we are celebrating a special time. Additionally, as a treat from the Governors, the children from Y1 to Y6 will be celebrating the feast day with a theatre production, "The Greatest Fairytale Ever Told" in the school hall in the afternoon. Reception children will be having their own celebration in class that afternoon.

Thank you again to all of you for your participation in all of our school activities. We know that there is often a lot going on in school, even in one week! From Macmillan Loom Band sales to Sunflower competitions, from Book Sales to prayer groups, your support for your children and our school is exceptional and greatly appreciated by all who work with them.

We wish you a happy (long!) weekend and look forward to another busy week next week!

All best wishes

Catherine Burnham

School Value for October: Co-operation, Assembly Focus this week: Rosary

We are fortunate to have **Hersham Library** on our doorstep. Surrey report falling registrations to libraries in this area and so I would urge you to consider registering your child for the service if you haven't already done so! The library service provides wonderful picture books, fiction and non-fiction books, as well as audio books, DVDs and internet service. If your child isn't already registered, please register them now!

October is the month of the rosary – why not pray a decade of the rosary with your child at bedtime?

INSET DAY—FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

Please remember the school is closed tomorrow, 6 October, for a staff training day.

CARDINAL NEWMAN FEAST DAY—MONDAY 9 OCTOBER

We are looking forward to celebrating Cardinal Newman's Feast Day on Monday. **We welcome parents to Reception and KS1 Liturgy at 9.00am and KS2 Mass at 10.00am.**

SAPPHIRE CLASS MASS—FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER

Sapphire Class parents are invited to their Class Mass next Friday, 13 October, at 2.30pm.

BOOK FAIR—MONDAY 9 TO WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER

We welcome you all to our Book Fair on 9, 10 and 11 October. It will be held in Yellow Class after school each day until about 3.45pm. Payment is by cheque or cash only and must be made on the day - we cannot reserve any books. The school earns 50% commission in the form of books.

GARNET CLASS ASSEMBLY – CHANGE OF DATE

We have changed the date of **Garnet Class's assembly to Wednesday 11 October** to avoid a clash with the Salesian tour.

HARVEST FESTIVAL COLLECTION FOR WALTON + HERSHAM FOODBANK

Walton and Hersham Foodbank are always very grateful for donations and we are collecting for them next week. We are attaching again the list of items they are especially looking for at the moment.

You may bring in donations from Monday 9 October to coincide with our Cardinal Newman Feast Day Mass. **Please bring in your donations by 9.00am on Wednesday 11 October** as we will be delivering them to the Foodbank later that morning. Thank you.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS—18 AND 19 OCTOBER

We are sending out a letter with information about our upcoming Parent Consultation Evenings. Please book your appointment online using your Scopy/Tucasi account.

Please note that all teacher-led clubs will be cancelled during this week (October 16 – 20 inclusive).

TEACHER/RE COORDINATOR VACANCIES

We currently have vacancies for a KS1/KS2 Class Teacher and an RE Co-ordinator (SLT) starting December 2017. For further information and details of how to apply, please visit the vacancies page of the school website.

SUNFLOWER COMPETITION WINNERS

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Sunflower Competition, kindly sponsored by Savills Estate Agents who brought in sunflower seeds in the summer term. We had some amazing entries and you can find them on our website (some were entered offline).

Congratulations to our winners: Emilia (Blue), Roisin (Topaz), Emily (Opal), Jack (Emerald) and Evie (Garnet). They all received their prizes from Savills at assembly today.

CLEVES FIREWORKS

Discounted tickets are available to Cardinal Newman parents for the Cleves School fireworks at www.clevesfireworks.co.uk (flyers outside school office).

PA NEWS

Next PA Meeting—Thursday 12 October at 8.00pm. All welcome!

Thank you to everyone who supported the following sales:

Year 2 Cake Sale - £137, Year 6 Cake Sale—£120, Uniform Sale—£72