

# THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS



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## Our Mission Statement

*'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'*  
*St. Catherine of Siena*



Dear Parents and Carers,

A 'Welcome' Mass to begin our new school year took place on Tuesday and children from Years 1 to 6 classes joined together at our parish Church for this very special occasion. Fr. Ako celebrated Mass and welcomed all the children joining the new Early Years and Years 3 classes at each school and children who have recently joined other year groups. This was Fr. Ako's first celebration with our school community and he led a beautiful service, reminding us that we are all an important part of the Annunciation Schools' family and that God has a special purpose for each one of us. Thank you to Fr. Ako for his support to our schools and we look forward to working closely with him this year.

A very special thank you also to all the children for taking part so reverently and reminding us that Christ is at the centre of all we do. A number of Year 2 and Year 6 children led the prayers and readings throughout Mass and we were so impressed with how confidently they took part. Well done to all our readers and thanks you to the Year 6 children for encouraging and supporting the Year 2 readers so well.

Thanks to all the staff who helped with the preparations for the Mass, especially our music teacher Mrs Stanley who organised the beautiful singing. It was lovely to see so many parents and family members also join us for this celebration to start our new school year together.



We have now completed the elections for the House Captains or Vice Captains of the four School Houses—St Dominic, St. Catherine, St. Martin and St. Rose Houses. Children from year 2 to 6 put themselves forward for election and prepared speeches about how they would help to lead changes in these roles. We were very impressed with how well all the children had prepared their speeches and how confidently they spoke to the rest of the school. Congratulations to the House Captains and Vice Captains who have now been elected. Our pupils leaders at the Infant School are David, Daniella, Valentina, Rory, Hennessy, Samuel, Sophie and Praise. The Junior School pupil leaders are Jasmine, Zofia, Arthur, Eliana C, Althea, Amara, Megan and Maya.



It is lovely to see the children looking so smart in their school uniform across all year groups and just a reminder that summer uniform can continue to be worn this half-term. School shoes and trainers for PE should be plain black and have no logo or other colours or markings. As the weather has been cooler than usual this month, many children have already switched to the warmer winter uniform of shirt and tie. School coats should also be a plain black or navy, without obvious logos or other markings.

The new PE/Nursery uniform is also looking fantastic and it's great to see how many children are already wearing this. Parents can continue to order this from the [ACE Clothing](http://ACE Clothing) website (or visit the Wembley store directly) and have it delivered to home or school. Children can continue to wear the old PE kit or plain navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt while you are waiting for orders to arrive but all children should be wearing the new Nursery/PE uniform when we return to school after the October half-term. Thank you for your support in this.



Have a lovely weekend  
Miss J. O'Prey  
Headteacher



## STAR OF THE WEEK



### Infants

N	James
RA	Mohamadreza
RB	Nathan

1A	Oliver
1B	Tariq
2A	Malaiika
2B	Louie



## STAR OF THE WEEK



### Juniors

3A	Amara
3B	Catia
4A	Jaden O.
4B	Alex

5A	Aliyah
5B	Reagan
6A	Assia
6B	Elliott

**ATTENDANCE**  
**Congratulations**  
**to 1B**  
**for having the**  
**highest**  
**attendance!**



Class	%
R1	92
R2	92
1A	89
1B	96
2A	94
2B	95
3A	91
3B	93
4A	89
4B	95
5A	92
5B	94
6A	92
6B	92

### Celebration of The Word

#### The Gospel for Sunday 21st September

God wants us to place our trust in him, so that he can guide our lives. There may be times when we make a wrong choice, but we can trust that God is always there to help us start again. This Sunday's Gospel reminds us about the value of being trustworthy people. We can show this by making good choices – especially when it comes to the use of money. **The Word** we are thinking about this week is **Trustworthy**.

Jesus said, "The one who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the one who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own? No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money."

Adapted from The Gospel of Luke 16:1-13

The 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

### AIS and AJS VALUES

Tolerance	4a	Orla
Courage	5a	Sadie
Commitment	3b	Abigail
Safety	3a	Olivia N
Excellence	6b	Kobby
Truth	5b	Ellis
Respect	4b	Kayden
Justice	6a	Amalia
Tolerance	N RA RB 1A 1B 2A 2B	Maria Filip Sindi Hazel Ayan T Sophie Jessica

### Maths & Writing Superstars

Year 3	Ronan, Nicholas & Cerys, David
Year 4	Joshua, Blessing & Chloe, Neve
Year 5	Edward, Cuba & Drake, David
Year 6	Megan, Desbrowns & Ruby, Tamara

### KEY DATES

Date	What	Where/When
26/09/25	Class 5B Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
Week beginning 6th October - Book Fair at both schools		
September 2026 Nursery and Reception Applications - Parent Information Meetings and Tours of Infant School		Infant School 14/10/25 at 5.30pm 16/10/25 at 9.30am
10/10/25	Class 5A Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
Monday 20th & Wednesday 22nd October Years 1 & 2 Parent Consultation Meetings		Infant School 3.15pm onwards
Tuesday 21st & Thursday 23rd October Years 3 to 6 Parent Consultation Meetings		Junior School 3.30pm onwards
Half Term		
Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October		
School closed to pupils Monday 3rd November		
24/10/25	Class 6A Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
07/11/25	Class 6B Assembly	Junior School 9.00am
17/11/25	Individual School Photography	Both Schools

### The Annunciation Schools' Safeguarding Team

Miss Martin



Mrs Stanley



Ms Bourke



Miss O'Prey



Mr McCreadie



Miss Brennan

