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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,

It has been another wonderful week across the Federation! As we approach the end of this first term, it has been a true delight to see how well all classes have settled into their learning and to feel that the momentum of the school year is in full swing. As ever, excellent attendance is so important to maintaining this progress. Even the odd day missed here and there can really build up and impact a child's learning routine, so thank you for your continued support in ensuring your children are in school every day.

Uniform Reminder: Winter Uniform After Half Term

We want to give families advance warning regarding school uniform following the upcoming break. While this autumn has been unusually warm—meaning more pupils have remained in summer uniform up to this point—we expect all pupils to be in full non-summer (winter) uniform when we return after half term. From our return, pupils should no longer be wearing summer uniform, and the same requirement applies to our PE uniform.

Just One Tree Day



Today, we marked 'Just One Tree Day' across both schools. Donations collected from our school families go directly to fund the planting of trees across the globe. This is a crucial cause in aiding environmental sustainability. It also links directly to our Catholic Social Teaching and our shared duty of Care for Creation. If you missed making a cash donation today, it is still possible to contribute via Arbor.

4B Class Assembly

Thank you to Class 4B for their wonderful class assembly today, and a big thank you to all the parents and family members who attended to make the day so special. The children performed brilliantly! Special thanks go to Ms. De Souza for all her hard work in preparing the class so well.

Hello Yellow Day Fundraising



Thank you to all our parents and carers for your fantastic support of our recent 'Hello Yellow Day'. Together, we raised £200, which will go directly to support important mental health causes. Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause and helping us champion emotional wellbeing across our community.

RSHE Consultation

Thank you to all the parents who attended our RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) consultation session. The information shared during the session will be made available via ClassDojo. As a school, we ensure that both Department for Education (DfE) and Diocesan guidance are fully followed within our RSHE curriculum. However, as parents are the primary educators of their children, we are always pleased to incorporate your views and feedback. Prior to delivering the specific units that touch on growing and changing, we will invite parents again to view the learning materials we use. A huge thank you to Ms. Brennan for all her hard work in leading and coordinating this process.

PTA Volunteers Meeting

This week, we will be holding a second meeting bringing together all those who expressed an interest in joining the PTA. If you are interested in getting involved but were unable to attend the previous meeting, please feel very welcome to join us!

Prayers for Pope Leo



As you may have seen in the news, Pope Leo is currently recovering from surgery. We ask all our school families to keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a full and speedy recovery.

Have a great weekend.

Mr. D. McCreadie

Headteacher

KS1 'Star Writer' and KS2 'Writer of The Week' Awards

Year 1	Alexandru□□□□□□□□□□□□	Year 4	□□□□□□□□Patryk
Year 2	□□□□□□□& □□□□□□□□□	Year 5	Kayden □□□□□□□□□□□□
Year 3	Mary & Eleanor	Year 6	Freddie & Julian

STAR OF THE WEEK

Infants

N	Orlaith
RA	□□□□□□□
RB	□□□□□

1A	□□□□□□□□□
1B	Gabriella
2A	□□□□□□□□
2B	□□□□□□□

STAR OF THE WEEK

Juniors

3A	Olivia
3B	Lewis
4A	Olivia
4B	□□□□□□□□

5A	Bamishe
5B	□□□□□□□□□□□
6A	Alicja
6B	Alana

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations

to

6A & 6B

for having the highest attendance!



Class	%
RA	95
RB	96
1A	97
1B	97
2A	94
2B	95
3A	96
3B	97
4A	95
4B	98
5A	97
5B	96
6A	99
6B	99

AIS and AJS VALUES

Respect	**6a**	**Riley**
Respect	□□□□	□□□□□□
Commitment	**5a**	**Carter**
Truth	□□□□□□□	□□□□□□□□
Excellence	□□□□□	□□□□□□□□□
Safety	**4a**	**Paula**
Courage	□□□□□□□□□	□□□□□□□□□
Justice	□□□□□□□□	□□□□□□□□□□□
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Maths Superstars

Year 3	**Angelo & Sofia**
□□□□□	**David** □□□□□
Y□□□□	□□□□**Maru**
Year 6	**Albert & Daisy –Lou**

Celebration of The Word

The Pharisees devised a plan to trap Jesus. They sent some of their followers who said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are an honest man and teach God's way with honesty. We also know that you are not afraid of anybody: someone's rank means nothing to you. Tell us, then, what you think about this question. Is it right to pay tax to the Emperor Caesar or not?" Knowing what they were up to, Jesus said, "Why do you set this trap for me? Show me the money you pay the tax with." They handed him a coin. He said to them, "Whose head is on this coin, and whose name?" "Caesar's," they replied. "So then," he said to them, "give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God." Adapted from Matthew 22:15-21

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

This passage invites us to reflect on where our true priorities lie. While we all have earthly duties and responsibilities in our daily lives, Jesus reminds us that our hearts, our lives, and our unique gifts ultimately belong to God. Just as Caesar's image was stamped on the coin, God's image is etched into each one of us. As a school family, we are called to honor our everyday responsibilities with integrity while dedicating our finest efforts, kindness, and love to God and to one another—living out our call every day to "Be who God meant you to be."

KEY DATES

Date	What	Where/When
Mon 19 Oct	Parent Consultations	Infant School (3:30pm – 5:30pm)
Tue 20 Oct	Parent Consultations	Junior School (3:30pm – 5:30pm)
Wed 21 Oct	Parent Consultations	Infant School (3:30pm – 5:30pm)
Thu 22 Oct	Parent Consultations	Junior School (3:30pm – 5:30pm)
Fri 23 Oct	5B Assembly	Junior School
Fri 23 Oct	Half Term Begins	Both Schools
Mon 26 Oct – Fri 30 Oct	October Half Term	Both Schools
Mon 2 Nov	INSET Day	Both Schools
Tue 3 Nov	Children Return to School	Both Schools
Tue 3 Nov	Other Faiths Week (TBC)	Both Schools
Fri 6 Nov	STEM Day – Maths & Science	Both Schools
Fri 6 Nov	4A Assembly	Junior School
Mon 9 Nov	Anti-Bullying Week	Both Schools
Mon 9 Nov	Nursery Rhyme Week	Infant School

The Annunciation Schools' Safeguarding Team

Miss Odoi



Mrs Stanley



Mr McCreadie



Miss Brennan



Our uniform consists of:

Winter Uniform - Autumn mid-term to end of Spring term

- Plain white school shirt. The top button must be done up and it must be tucked inproperly.
- School tie (which can be purchased form the school office)
- Navy blue V neck cardigan or jumper. No logos.
- Black shoes - if these are laced shoes, laces should be black. Shoes should be leather orleather substitute - suede or canvas are not permitted.
- Navy knee length school skirt.
- Grey school trousers in the Winter
- Black, navy blue or grey socks, OR, Navy blue opaque tights.
- No jewelry apart from a watch and one small, stud earring in each ear lobe.
- Hairbands and hair ties must be black, navy blue or white and simple.
- A plain black or navy blue coat (no leather, pvc or denim, and no designs or writing on the coat)

Summer Uniform - Summer term to Autumn mid-term

- Plain white school shirt. The top button must be done up and it must be tucked inproperly.
- Grey school shorts.
- Navy blue chequered summer dress.
- Navy blue V neck cardigan or jumper. No logos.
- Black, navy blue or grey socks, OR, Navy blue ankle or knee high socks.
- Black shoes.
- Sun hat with the school crest

PE KITS

- Navy blue shorts
- A plain white polo shirt with school badge.
- Black plimsolls or Plain black trainers (Plimsolls may not be worn as school shoes).
- A navy blue tracksuit for Winter months with school badge.