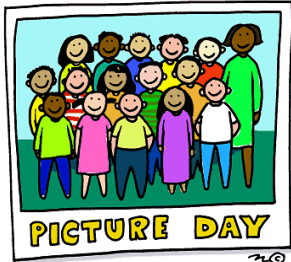




# Academy Newsletter



## Individual Photographs Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Individual Photographs will be taken on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Please ensure your child is in full winter uniform. Sibling and Nursery photographs can be taken before school from 8.00am.

*Please note it is the parent/carer's responsibility to have the sibling photograph taken before school.*

## Happy Snails

The staff and the children would like to thank the PTA for housing the class snails with new spacious homes.



## #HelloYellow – 11th October 2019

Thank you to everyone who supported #HelloYellow, the Academy has raised £160.80. Thanks again for all your support!



## Extraordinary Month of Mission

This October the Catholic Church around the world will observe an **Extraordinary Month of Mission**. This is an initiative of Pope Francis. Its aim is to encourage all members of our Catholic community to recognise themselves as missionary disciples, working and praying together to share God's love with everyone, everywhere.

God our Father, Your Son Jesus wants us to share your love with everyone. May the Holy Spirit help us to bring the light of your love to the whole world, so that all people may come to see Jesus as their friend and guide. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In our classes, we have been using the Extraordinary Month of Mission Calendar of Activities to encourage a deeper relationship with Jesus through prayer and to increase understanding of mission. Take a look at the calendar on the website, Catholic Life at Home, to see which activities you could do with your child over the weekends in October

## Academy Attendance:

EYFS – 96.3%  
Year 1 – 96.7%  
Year 2 – 96.3%  
Year 3 – 96.9%  
Year 4 – 96.0%  
Year 5 – 93.9%  
Year 6 – 96.2%

Overall Academy  
Attendance – 96.0%

Our aim is 97%

## PTA Appeal

Our Christmas Fair is going to be on 6th December. Planning is in motion so if you know of a local business that would like to hire a stall, please contact the office or a member of the PTA.

We also appealing for donations of raffle prizes - tickets will be going out after half term.

Donations day for the children is on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October, a letter will follow with more information.

## How To Keep Your Child Safe Online Information

**O2 NSPCC Online Safety Helpline** – This is a free helpline, which can provide information or help with queries about any sites, apps, games or online safety in general. You do not have to be an O2 customer to use this resource.

0808 800 5002

Opening times: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm; Weekends 10am-6pm; Bank Holidays 10am-4pm

**O2 online safety Guru** – There are NSPCC trained, online safety advisors, available in all stores around the UK.

The Gurus can help you set up parental controls such as privacy settings to any device. You do not have to be an O2 customer to use this resource. Book an appointment in store: <http://guru.force.com/O2DeskStoreLocator>

## Stars – Parents Evening

On Parents Evening can parents please be mindful of their time slot. If your allocated time is around the time Stars closes, we ask that you collect your child first. Any late collections will incur a late fee as normal.

## Help at Home Session

The Academy would like to invite all parents and carers to a 'Help at Home' session. These sessions will take place after your child's class Liturgy or Assembly. The sessions have been created to help all parents and carers support learning at home. The class teacher, within this session, will provide you with information related to the English and Mathematics curriculum so you can better support your child with their homework. Please see the dates list for your child's session. Thank you all the parents that attended the Year 3 and Year 5 sessions this week.



## STEM Challenge (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

For this term, the challenges will be carried out around the school.

**KS1** children are already engaged in searching for 'Space Creatures' hidden around the school.

**KS2** Children will choose a task (from the challenge board) to be completed at home and return to Mrs Rodney by Monday the 14th of October.

From these challenges, they will gain points toward winning a trip to the cinema in the Summer Term.



## Diary Dates

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.  
Amendments are in **Green** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

### Autumn Term 2019

16 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Individual Photographs
16 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Year 4 Liturgy and Help at Home Session – All Parents/Carers Welcome
16 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Parents Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Parents Evening
18 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Year 4 School Trip – Lullingstone Roman Villa
21 <sup>st</sup> October 2019	Half Term
28 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Back to School
30 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Year 6 School Trip – The Horniman Museum (4:30pm pick-up)
30 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Year 2 School Trip – Bright Sparks (3:30pm pick up)
31 <sup>st</sup> October 2019	PTA Donation Day – Dress in Autumn Colours (more information to follow)
1 <sup>st</sup> November 2019	Year 3 School Trip – More information to follow
1 <sup>st</sup> November 2019	PTA Tuck Shop
5 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Open Morning for Prospective Parents at 9:30am
6 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year 2 Liturgy – All Parents/Carers Welcome
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year 6 Assembly - All Parents/Carers Welcome
8 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year School Trip – More information to follow
8 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Fruity Friday – PTA sale in the playground after school
13 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year 1 Liturgy - All Parents/Carers Welcome
14 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year 3 Assembly - All Parents/Carers Welcome
15 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Children in Need – More information to follow
15 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	PTA Tuck Shop
20 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Piano Showcase Assembly – All Parents/Carers Welcome
22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2019	Fruity Friday – PTA sale in the playground after school
21 <sup>st</sup> November 2019	Year 4 Assembly - All Parents/Carers Welcome
26 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Year 5 School Trip – More information to follow
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	PTA Tuck Shop
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Flu Vaccination
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Mass led by Year 3 at 11:00am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Enterprise Sale and PTA Fayre (More information to follow)
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	KS1 Christmas Production at 9:30am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
11 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Christmas Lunch – More information to follow
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	KS2 Christmas Production at 9:40am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	PTA Tuck Shop
17 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	EYFS Nativity at 9:30am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
17 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Christmas Party Afternoon – More information to follow
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Christmas Jumper Day – More information to follow
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Winter Celebration at 9:30am - All Parents/Carers Welcome
18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Last Day of Term – Stars finishes at 4:30pm