

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

# Matthew 28:16-20

<sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The promise of Jesus is that wherever we go to fulfil that commission, He will always be with us. Whether it is remote Australia, a big city, or a small town, Jesus is always with me. Thank you Lord for this promise that you are always with me. Help me to shine your light in the dark places.

## International Dance Federation World Championships

Best of luck to Lily and Ariella! They (together with 28 other dancers from Deborah Day Theatre School Trust) have been invited to compete in Croatia alongside two other dance schools from England in the International Dance Federation's (IDF) World Championships. The competition is five days long and the girls will be competing in a range of genres, including a 9 minute theatre performance of the musical Annie!!!



## Class Assembly

We will celebrate the work that Class 1 are doing in Religious Education with a class assembly on Friday, 24th May 2024 at 9:15 am. Parents of children in this class are warmly welcome to attend.

## Sports Day

We will be celebrating our annual sports day in Flander's Field on the morning of Wednesday,  $19^{th}$  June 2024 from 9:30 am. Parents are warmly invited to attend. After the half term break, we will be seeking support from parent volunteers to help on this morning.

### Class photos

The children will take their class group photos on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (please note the new date). These will be available for purchase shortly after. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform for this photo.

#### Half Term Break

The school will be closed for the May half term break from Monday 27th May to Friday, 31st May. The school will re-open as normal on Monday 3rd June.

# Our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy Trust

If you recall, I wrote to you in January about a proposal to join the Newham Deanery multiacademy trust called our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy. The notes from the consultation conversations with parents and staff are available on the school website https://stmichaels.newham.sch.uk/our-school/academy-conversion/

After considering the feedback from consultation with staff, parents and unions, the governing body at St Michael's have agreed to move forward to join this multi-academy trust. As a result, St Michael's will be a school in our Lady of Grace Catholic Academy from the 1st June; by working together in a family of schools, St Michael's will benefit from shared expertise, which creates great opportunities for children and teachers. More information about the trust can be found at <a href="https://olog.org.uk/">https://olog.org.uk/</a>

### School Uniform

It is important that children are wearing the correct school uniform. Please note the school uniform expectations on the school's website <a href="https://st-michaels.newham.sch.uk/parents-andcarers/school-uniform/">https://st-michaels.newham.sch.uk/parents-andcarers/school-uniform/</a>

### Nuts in School

We have noticed children in school recently with snacks that contain nuts.

Just a reminder that St Michael's does not allow food containing nuts in school; we have an increasing number of pupils in our school who have nut allergies. Anaphylaxis (allergic reaction) can occur as a result of digestion, inhalation or any other contact with nut-based products. For their safety, all nut-based products have been banned from the school premises.

God Bless.

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