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**Weekly Newsletter**  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
**Excellence with compassion**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**We have a new telephone number:**



**0207 186 0080**



We are changing our telephone system.

As this is not a Westminster council number, it has the benefit of displaying on your phone if school calls you. If you need to inform us of an absence, you can now leave a message for the office by choosing option 1 when you dial. **Please start using this number if you need to call school.** During this change over, for a short time our old telephone number will be available. **Please do make a note of the new telephone number.**

**Science Day**

We had an exciting week last week. On Tuesday we had science day! The children were in groups and worked with others of different ages in different classes. All the groups took part in lots of different fun investigations involving forces. We had an assembly in the afternoon to find out what everyone had been up to. It was a fantastic day and so lovely to see our Year 6s and Year 5s leading small groups across the school. A huge thank you also goes to Miss Page for organising the day.



## Westminster Netball Completion

On Thursday our Netball team took part in a competition at the Queen Mother Sports Centre. Our team had a fun day competing against teams from other schools.

## Remembrance Day

Poppies were on sale in the playground this morning. We also held a short service at 11am this morning to mark the armistice in November 1918 and to acknowledge all of those who have given their lives in the wars following World War.



## Parent Questionnaire

Thank you once again to all who completed our parent questionnaire. We had 52 returned in total and had lots of great feedback. I have included the comments below about why parents chose to send their child(ren) here.

		Strongly agree	Agree	Total agree or strongly agree
1	My child is happy at this school.	83%	17%	100%
2	My child feels safe at this school.	86%	14%	100%
3	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	75%	25%	100%
4	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	75%	23%	98%
5	The school has high expectations for my child.	58%	40%	98%
6	My child does well at this school.	69%	31%	100%
7	The school lets me know how my child is doing.	80%	20%	100%
8	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	69%	29%	98%
9	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	67%	33%	100%
10	The school supports my child's wider personal development	69%	29%	98%
11	I would recommend this school to another parent	88%	10%	98%

### Parent Comments: Why did you decide to send your child to St Gabriel's?

- Heard from my friends that this is the best school in the area and this is right.
- Teachers keen about children's learning- give great advice and reviews. Help deal with problems. Being fair with all children. Encourage good behaviour.
- Near to my home
- Awesome school that achieves exceptional amount for all kids.
- Is close, most parents recommend this school.
- Recommended to visit. The first visit had an immediate impression of a fantastic atmosphere = calm, enthusiastic and polite children.
- My child is happy with this school.
- The school is warm and friendly.
- Meeting with the Headteacher.
- Got the best SATs results in Westminster and is nurturing.
- Lots of family went to St Gabriel's.
- Because of its Reception.
- Because my child said to me it is a very good school.
- His brothers were there.
- It is the best school in Westminster.
- We hear very good feedback.
- Local and good school.
- Because it's a great school.
- Friendly atmosphere, positive feedback from other parents.
- Excellent reputation and good feedback from other parents.
- In her previous school she had a hard time expressing herself. In St Gabriel's here confidence has grown. I like the discipline and morals.
- Because I love the school.
- A friend of mine told me.
- Better education, discipline and safe environment.
- My oldest daughter went here and I know it is a good school.
- I have always loved this school as I came here myself and it is the best school around here.
- My child is happy with the school.
- It's an experienced school, you get support and understanding.
- Found it catering to children's need, staff seemed pleasant, smaller set up meant school would look after my child well.
- Small church school, impressed by tour, behaviour and enthusiasm.
- Always heard good things about the school.
- It is a good school my older child went to this school.
- Due to school rating on educational government website.
- It's local.
- Recommended by a friend. Knew from viewing the school that my child would succeed.
- I heard St Gabriel's is a brilliant school.
- Heard good feedback and checked Ofsted.
- Because it's a great school.
- The whole family have attended. It is a brilliant school and performs well.
- St Gabriel's is a wonderful school with wonderful staff.
- It is a good school. We feel the staff are like family, they are friendly, respecting everyone and looking after children really well.
- Close to home and has friends.
- Has good Ofsted report.
- We love this school.
- Research says it is a very good school.

I would like to encourage all parents, if they have a problem or any concerns, to please talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance. Alternatively arrange to see Mr Nunn, or myself. We are more than happy to meet with parents individually to discuss any concerns.

## Attendance

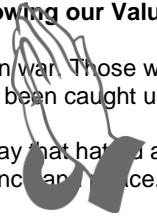
Fantastic news – we have gone over the 96% target again. Our whole school attendance is now 96.11%. Well done everybody!

	01/11/2019	08/11/2019
<b>Class 6</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>91.48</b>
<b>Class 5</b>	<b>96.67</b>	<b>98.33</b>
<b>Class 4</b>	<b>95.83</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Class 3</b>	<b>98.44</b>	<b>96.67</b>
<b>Class 2</b>	<b>94.38</b>	<b>94</b>
<b>Class 1</b>	<b>97.02</b>	<b>99.05</b>
<b>Class R</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>99.2</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>95.36</b>	<b>96.72</b>

**Our prayer this week is for Remembrance Day and following our Value of Peace**

Father we bring to you all those who have lost their lives in war. Those who died fighting for their country and those civilians who have been caught up in fighting.

We pray for peace, that senseless fighting will end. We pray that hatred and violence will be replaced by love, understanding, tolerance and justice.  
Amen



Well done Reception – amazing attendance with 99.2%!

## Awards -

**Class of the week: Class 2**

<b>Courtesy</b>	Bora and Ayana	Rayyan and Ashley	Ayub and Rebecca	Adib and Hadya	Noor and Kaya	James and Asvika	Dylan and Ayoub
<b>Top Table</b>	Sortoo and Lyth						

### November Dates:

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Service of Remembrance in the playground  
 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Class 6 trip to Westminster archives  
 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Class 1 to the library  
 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> - Class 6 to Tennis at O2  
 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Class 6 to Horseguards  
 - Goblin theatre visiting for KS1 theatre show  
 Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Class 5 to Charterhouse  
 Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Class 3 to the library  
 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> – NSPCC visiting for assembly and workshops

### December Dates:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – Yr 6 to Westminster archives  
 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – Nasal Flu vaccinations  
 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – last week of clubs

Rebecca Anson  
Headteacher

Please return the slip below for your child to be entered into the 11<sup>th</sup> November newsletter slips book raffle.



I have read and noted the contents of this newsletter. Date: 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_