

### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

At the time of writing, we are heading towards our final days of the academic year for our children and we have lots to be proud of and lots of work ahead as we continue in our efforts to make St. Monica's a really exciting place to be. There will be lots of information on this final newsletter, so please do take the time to read.

### **Statutory Assessments**

I have included a link to our statutory assessment data and this is now available on our website. Although school improvement has moved away a lot from just looking at data, and thankfully now looks at the wider curriculum and personal development of pupils, it still provides us with some evidence to help inform our school improvement planning. You can find this data here:

<https://www.stmonicasschoolflixton.org.uk/pupil-assessment-information/>

We are proud of what our pupils have achieved and indeed in the staff who work so hard to give children the best opportunity to succeed. We know that we have some real areas of strength within school and other areas that we will look to prioritise now over the next couple of years.

### **Ofsted**

We are also proud of our Ofsted report that we received after our inspection in March.

<https://www.stmonicasschoolflixton.org.uk/ofsted-report-march-2024/>

We are most proud of the fact that we agreed with what the inspector said about the strengths of our school and the areas we now need to look to develop. It has given us the confidence in our own self-evaluation and means that we can now look to the next stage of how we want our school to develop for the benefit of all of our children.

### **School Development Plan and Parent View**

Over the last two years, we have worked on a School Development Plan that summarised what we believed to be the position of the school, and the work that was required over the subsequent two years. I have added this to our school website and you can view this here:

<https://www.stmonicasschoolflixton.org.uk/school-development/>

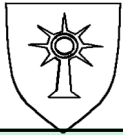
We now want to move to the next phase of our School Development and want input from as many parties going forward. Rather than ask for Parent View based on the Ofsted questionnaire again (<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-results/survey/result/4589/14>), we would like to get views of parents (as well as staff, governors and children) to help us form our next School Development Plan. In early September, we will send out a survey consultation to help us in this plan. We want this to be a much more strategic and focused plan on the priority areas of development for our school. I will update further on this in September.

### **Summer Fair**

Thank you to everyone who attended our FAFSM Summer Fair on Saturday. It really was a great occasion and lovely to see all of our school community together and raising lots of money for our school. Once again, a big thank you to Mrs Hill and all the volunteers who work so hard to make this such a successful event. Our school budget, like many schools at the moment, is really tight so being able to raise money like this helps immensely to improve our school environment. Some of this money has already been spent on some picnic benches and tables for children to use on both playgrounds.

### **Breakfast and After School Club times and changes from September**

From September, Breakfast Club hours will be from 7.30am. After School Club hours will be Mon-Thurs until 5.45pm and Friday until 5.30pm.



### **Year 6 Moving On**

We had a lovely 'Moving on' mass on Wednesday and it was so nice to have our whole school community together to celebrate mass. Year 6 will have their 'Moving on' assembly now on Friday and then they will be getting ready for starting secondary school in September. They are a great bunch of young people and are a credit to their families and our school. We have spoken lots in recent days about how they will not be leaving St. Monica's but are moving on to their next school. They will always be part of St. Monica's and St. Monica's will always be part of them. We will miss you boys and girls and you are all welcome back here any time.

### **Staff goodbyes**

We say goodbye to Mr Patten who has been working with us a supply Teaching Assistant this year as he takes up a permanent post at another school. We thank him for all his hard work and wish him all the very best in the future.

We also say a partial goodbye to Mrs Ali, as our Music teacher for next year. Mrs Ali will no longer be able to provide us with her skilled Music curriculum teaching next year, but we are hoping that she will be able to work with us in offering individual tuition and other Music opportunities. We have benefitted so much from her skill and expertise and keep you posted on that.

### **Thank yous**

I just wanted to thank all of our staff who work tirelessly to provide our children with the best possible opportunities. It is difficult from the outside to see the work that staff put in but I see it each and every day and we have brilliant staff here at St. Monica's. They all deserve a break now and I know so many of you also appreciate all that they do.

A big thank you to our Governors, who provide unwavering challenge and support to both the leaders of the school but also to all of our staff. They are so committed and we are so lucky to have them.

Also to you parents/carers; we don't always get things right but it has been so pleasing to work together with you in partnership to ensure the best possible school for your children.

And finally, to all of our children; we are very proud of each one of them and we hope that they all have a lovely summer holiday and we look forward to seeing each of them in September in their new school.

### **Mrs Morrison**

Mrs Morrison has now retired from St. Monica's and although we are all very sad that she has retired, we take great inspiration from her as always. She embodies everything that we want our school to be. Charlotte loves teaching, she cares so much and she is kind always. She has had a significant impact on so many children during her time here and has inspired, supported and nurtured so many staff. Her work goes beyond the school and her work in the parish, leading the Sacramental program for many years has also provided our school and parish community with a certainty and guidance that has helped enable it to be what it is now. Although we are all sad that Charlotte is retiring, we are thankful for all she has given St. Monica's and we look forward to welcoming her back to school in the future, if she can fit us around her retirement plans! Good luck Charlotte, take care and thank you from all of us.

Finally, if you do need us for any reason over the summer, please do email us on [stmonicas.admin@trafford.gov.uk](mailto:stmonicas.admin@trafford.gov.uk) and although we may not pick it up straight away, we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Take care and see you all again on Wednesday 4th September at 8.55am,

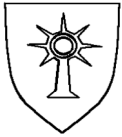
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### HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS -

5/7/24			
	RQ	Noah	For excellent maths and number work
	RV	Marisa	For always having a cheerful smile and being helpful
	1B	River	For always trying her hardest and being an absolute superstar!
	1/2F	Silva	For writing an excellent description of the Tear Thief.
	2S	Emily	For always trying her best in all subjects.
	3B	Emma	For always working hard in all lessons.
	3/4C	Ayva	For her excellent homework and being a good friend
	3/4GS	Alfie	For always putting 100% effort into all that we do.
	5K	Dante	For good effort in Maths to multiply and divide decimals by 10.
	5/6B	Caleb	For giving 100% and having a good sense of humour.
	5/6S	Nicole	for demonstrating resilience and a positive attitude!

12/7/24	Nursery	Lyra Paul	For beautiful name writing. For trying hard to be a good helper.
	RQ	Oliver	For excellent 'Hold a sentence' work
	RV	Edith	For always trying hard to be polite, helpful and kind.
	1B	Miley Maizie	For always working hard and trying her best. For scoring 45/45 on her common exception word spelling test!!
	1/2F	Roman	For excellent work in phonics
	2S	Sebastian	For working so hard in Religion about the story of Buddha.
	3B	Hugo	For always being helpful and kind.
	3/4C	Florence	For her excellent work during our English lessons.
	3/4GS	Olivia	For a super independent <u>write</u> .
	5K	Mete	For being an enthusiastic learner and always putting 100% effort into every lesson.
	5/6B	Michael	Having a really mature and hard-working approach to his learning.
	5/6S	Edward	For showing maturity when faced with a challenge

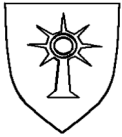


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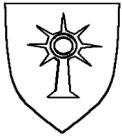


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DRAMA CLUB-CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY-JUST SUPERB!





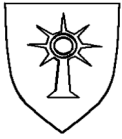
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## MOVING ON MASS-WHAT A LOVELY GATHERING TOGETHER





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## Join the Ultimate Summer Adventure at School of Play Fest!



### Celebrate Summer with School of Play Fest!

Make this summer unforgettable with our festival-themed holiday camp, running from **July 22 to August 31, 2024**, at eight venues across Manchester.

Join us and make this summer a festival to remember!



#### Camp Features:

- ✓ Multi-Sport Sessions
- ✓ Crafting & Imaginative Play
- ✓ Music & Dance Parties
- ✓ Mini-Golf & Water Fight Day

#### Special Highlights:

- ✓ Tiny Tour Guide
- ✓ Grand Festival Party



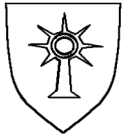
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OFSTED-Registered holiday care.



For details, prices & venue specific dates, please email us at: [info@schoolofplay.org.uk](mailto:info@schoolofplay.org.uk) or scan QR code.



### Some dates for your diary

Friday 19th July– Leavers Assembly 2.30pm

Friday 19th July– Summer holidays begin

Wednesday 4th September– Return to school for children

October Half-term holiday– Children will finish on Friday 25th October and return to school on Monday 4th November.

Christmas Holidays– Children will finish on Friday 20th December and return to school on Monday 6th January 2025. (Please see website for the term dates for the year.)

