

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

### **Year 1 Phonics Evening for Parents**

Thank you to all of you who came to our Year 1 Phonics and Early Reading workshop with Ms Frith and Miss Benson. We intend to hold another one in the Spring term.

### **Parents Evenings**

Parents evenings will be taking place on Monday 13th and Thursday 16th November. You should now have received an appointment. Please contact the school office or your class teacher if you have not yet received an appointment.

Some of our school governors will also be in attendance on Monday and Thursday and are more than happy to talk to you about governance of the school or any other relevant matter. Feel free to go and chat to them.

### **Remembrance Sunday**

St. Monica's will be represented at the annual Remembrance Day parade in Urmston again this year on Sunday 12th November. If you would like to join the St. Monica's party in walking to Davyhulme War Memorial from Urmston then join Mrs Vallver, Mrs Windridge and Mrs Richardson at Eden Square at 10.25am. If children do intend to walk then they must be accompanied by their parents or other responsible adults.

### **Christmas Fair**

Our Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 2nd December in school. There are further details on Class Dojo and the Friends and Family of St. Monica's need volunteers to help out as well as donations for the various stalls.

### **November is the month of Remembrance**

As well as our Remembrance events this week, during the month of November, we will all be remembering family members, friends and relatives who have died and gone to heaven. Postcards will be given out and children can share memories with their families and return the cards to place in our Remembrance Book in school. We will remember those that children would like to remember at our weekly assemblies.

### **Wear Orange for Jude**

The parents of Jude Anderton, who attended both St. Hugh of Lincoln PS in Stretford and English Martyrs PS in Urmston have asked if everyone can turn our area orange in remembrance of Jude on what would have been his 18th birthday. Next Friday, schools from across the area will be taking part and we ask that children wear an item of orange in return for a donation to the Bone Cancer Research Trust.

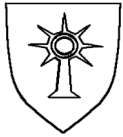
There appears to be a bit of sunshine this weekend which is a welcome relief from all the rain. I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we'll see you on Monday.

Have a great week everyone.

Take care,

*Mr Doherty*

Headteacher



### Remembrance Assembly

We had our Remembrance Assembly today where we remembered those who have died in conflict during both world wars and in conflict around the world ever since. We prayed for all those who have died from our own families and we spoke about the importance of the poppy as a symbol of hope, just as it had inspired hope in the soldiers on the battlefields of France and Belgium during the First World War.



### Important Dates this term (these will be added to as events are added.)

W/B 13th November– Anti-Bullying Week

**Monday 13th and Thursday 16th November– Parents Evenings**

Tuesday 14th November– Times Tables Rockstar Day

Friday 17th November- #BEMOREJUDE– Wear Orange

Saturday 18th November– Cross Country#

Friday 1st December– Pantomime in School

Saturday 2nd December– Christmas Fair

Saturday 9th December– Cross Country

Wednesday 13th December– Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 13th December @ 2pm– Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity in Church

Thursday 14th December @ 10am– Nursery Nativity in school

Thursday 14th December @2pm– Reception Nativity in school

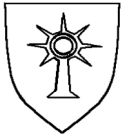
Wednesday 20th December @6pm– KS2 Carol Concert in Church

Thursday 21st December-End of term

Monday 8th January 2024– Return to School

### Parking

Please be considerate of our parents and childminders with prams, particularly on Rothiemay Road. I have witnessed buggies being pushed onto the road because the footpaths are blocked by cars parking up on them. It really isn't fair that footpaths are being blocked from walking on parked cars.



### *Sporting Achievement...*

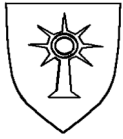
Congratulations to our Handball team, who took part in the Trafford Handball tournament this week and took home silver medals. Well done to you all!!



### **Just a little mention...**

Of our Year 6 football team who head into the winter break on top of the Urmston Schools League. Taking part obviously and having fun is the priority when doing sport but it still feels good to be doing well! Keep it up boys and girls and a big thank you to Mr Blackburn and Mr Frith.





### Headteacher's Awards...

10/11/23	RV	Alperen	For working so hard in his sound group
	RQ	Marcus	For working hard to write his name.
	1B	Finley	For always having a great attitude to learning
	1/2F	Maisie	For excellent acting in our drama lesson.
	2S	Piper	For creating a great map and key of London.
	3B	Theia	For being a really good friend this week.
	3/4C	Felicity	For being an enthusiastic Roman soldier!
	3/4GS	James t	For writing super French classroom commands
	5K	Ava	For great team work in DT
	5/6B	James	For always listening well and having a responsible attitude.
	5/6S	Lily	For demonstrating impressive Gymnastics skills to the class!



Our brilliant Headteacher's Award winners and Spellers of the week.



Busy day at our assembly today! First up, are our Year 6 Prefects.

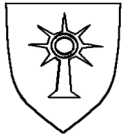
Congratulations guys...



Our Wellbeing Champions, School Councillors and

Librarians... Very important jobs around our school and we can't wait to see their work in action.





**Whole school - 95.17%**

Nursery - 94.57%

RQ - 95.50%

RV - 100%

1B - 90.71%

1/2F - 97.59%

2S - 97.67%

3B - 96.43%

3/4C - 98.00%

3/4GS - 89.66%

5K - 97.86%

5/6B - 98.21%

5/6S - 87.24%

Back above 95% this week but still a bit off our 97% target. A superb effort in Mrs Vallver's Reception class with a full 100% this week. I appreciate all the efforts in getting your children into school.

## Urmston Musical Theatre

presents

# Aladdin

## THE PANTOMIME

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 7:30 pm

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 3 pm & 7 pm

MOVE Urmston (Urmston Leisure Centre)

**Tickets Available From:**

[www.umt.org.uk](http://www.umt.org.uk)

0161 408 1288

£14 (Children under 12 £7)

