



29th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,



It is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas; we lit our first purple candle in our whole school zoom assembly as it is the first week of advent today. The school is busy working together decorating the school and donating gifts for the Christmas Fair class hampers. We are certainly living out this week's value of Koinonia working together to bring some festive joy. Plus rehearsals are underway for the nativities and the church choir will be performing on the weekend.

#### Forthcoming events

- Tuesday 30th November St Andrews day, pupils can wear something to represent Scotland.
- Saturday 4th December school choir sing at St Michael's Church
- Sunday 5th December Christmas fair
- Nativities EYFS 8th and 9th December KS1 13th & 14th December. *Your class teachers will write to you directly with specific times and ticket arrangements.*

The NHS team will return on the 10th December to administer the flu vaccine to Year 5 and any pupils that were missed on their November visit. Please contact the office if your child missed it and you would like them to have it.

Best wishes

**Fran Sorapure**  
Head of School

*NB See overleaf a reminder about the food bank and events*



## Supporting our school and community

Friday Foodbank Collection will be every week from 8.50am in the **TOP PLAYGROUND**.

Demand for the food bank is up by 450% and our Friday collections make a huge difference to Ringcross Community Centre food bank. They are now "supporting over **500 households**, helping to feed **900 adults** and almost **500 children**", in comparison to **6-15 families a day** before the pandemic.

In order to ensure that we are continuing to generously support Ringcross Community Centre food bank we propose that each child/household brings ONE item for the food bank collection every Friday. As we deliver on the same day, the food bank are always grateful for fresh items such as fresh fruit and vegetables, cheese, eggs and dairy products. As they are struggling to keep up with demand, we strive to ensure that St Michael's support is constant and generous.

### Drivers

We are always looking for drivers on a Friday morning to deliver down to Islington, a 45 minute round trip. Should you be available from 9am on a Friday to deliver or help in any way, please can Awen or Christina on email [awen@duggin.co.uk](mailto:awen@duggin.co.uk) or [1mrschang@gmail.com](mailto:1mrschang@gmail.com)

### Supporting the SMSA

Support for future events particularly the Christmas Fair please go through your class reps and or Rachel and the team at [smsahighgate@gmail.com](mailto:smsahighgate@gmail.com)