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Week beginning Monday February 5th 2018.

Thought for the week:

“For every minute of anger you lose 60 seconds of happiness”.

Dear Parents,

School Mass Thanks to Y4 for leading our Mass this morning, next week our Mass will be led by Y1.

Building Update. Finally this week school got the final “go ahead” from the local authority to start work on our new building. With a prompt start now hopefully (if not all) most of the building work will be complete before we break up for the summer holidays. The first phase of the building work will be to revamp the KS1 playground at the rear of school, a meeting is scheduled for next week to finally get everything moving. It has taken almost two years to get to this stage!! At times it has seemed to move incredibly slowly however we are now ready for work to begin.

Car Park. Some signage has now been placed on the car park entrance/exit. I am assured that further improvements are to be made shortly (Spring 2018) and that the kerb will be dropped at the entrance as soon as possible.

Y5 Botanical Gardens. Many thanks to Mrs Chandler and her team of helpers for taking Y5 to the Botanical Gardens on Wednesday. They were excellent ambassadors for our school, well done to all concerned.

Half Term Half term begins *Friday February 16th* when we break up. We all return to school on *Monday 26th February* at the usual time. A further reminder that we break up for the Easter holidays on *Thursday March 29th* at 1.00pm. We return for the summer term on *Tuesday April 17th* at the usual time.

Parents Evening Spring 2018. These will take place on *Wednesday February 14th* and *Thursday February 15th*. Mrs Logue has written to everyone with the details.

Y5 Parents Evening. Mr Barton will unfortunately not be back with us by parents evening so I will reschedule a date when he returns. As soon as I know when he will be back I will write to all Y5 parents. Thanks to all of Y5 for their understanding and patience with this matter.

Y4A Class Assembly. Some advance notice that Y4A class assembly is on Friday February 16th at 9.00am in the school hall.



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ParentPay. As always, any issues or problems call into the office for help/support. ParentPay can be used with or without a bank card and is very easy to use.

Safer Internet Day. A number of children now play and use interactive games at home. Unfortunately this can occasionally “spill over” into school. Some games that children can access are also inappropriate as they have an age limit on them due to some of the content within the game. Please can I ask that families are vigilant about what and who their children are playing whilst using a games console at home. Following on from this next Tuesday February 6th is “Safer Internet Day”. This is a day when the children will once again talk about, reflect and consider the potential risks associated when playing games online for example.

Miss Dunne will be writing to everyone before next week with some information about on line safety, a guide to Snapchat and some ideas about how to stay safe when gaming on line.

School Bank. The bank reopens *at 8.30am on Tuesday February 13th* in school. Please call in and join up Mr Connaughton will be more than happy to help/advise you.

Teacher Days The dates of our remaining Teacher Days this year are **April 16th, June 22nd, July 6th and July 23rd.**

Attendance for week ending February 2nd 2018

Year Group	% Attendance
Rec F	
Rec W	
Y1F	99%
Y1C	97%
Y2L	88%
Y2D	96%
Y3R	97%
Y3W	92%
Y4A	96%
Y4P	94%
Y5	98%
Y6	100%
Weekly Average	96%

Happy Birthday:

Please pray for Our school family as we finalise preparations for our building work to begin.

Many thanks for your co-operation and support with these matters.

M. Aldred Head Teacher.



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