



## ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM ST. MARGARET MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Week Beginning Monday June 18th 2018. Thought for the week:

"The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing"

Dear Parents,

<u>Peer to Peer Review.</u> Last week three visiting Head teachers spent the day in school looking at the quality of RE work across Nursery to Y6. They also came to observe examples of Collective Worship in school. The draft report reads very favourably and I will be sharing it with governors next week. A highlight of the report was the evidence the Head teachers found about the ways in which school incorporates the different Gospel Values into everything that happens each day. "Attentive" and "Discerning" are not just "bolted on" they said but values that everyone in school actively promote in everything we try and do.

Many thanks to the Liturgy Leaders for talking to the 3 Head teachers, to Miss McCarron for explaining all about Catholic Life in school and to Mr Barton for overseeing a lovely prayer service that set the tone for the day so well. Thanks finally to all the staff, their lessons were observed and an awful lot of hard work went into showing our school in its best light.

<u>Vocations Week.</u> We have just entered the "Year of the Priest" and school this week has marked that by hosting its Vocations week. Thanks to Mr Barton and Miss McCarron for overseeing the week. Following on from this Y1 paid a visit to Maryvale today, a lovely time was had by all. Many thanks to Miss Finn for organising the visit

<u>School Improvement Planning Day 2018.</u> A reminder school is closed for the children tomorrow. We are meeting as a staff and governing body to review our priorities for 2017-2018 and to set new ones for the year ahead.

<u>Confirmation 2018.</u> Y6 will be confirmed on *Monday July 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm*. Bishop Robert Byrne will be visiting the parish and confirming the children. The workshop for families is on *Tuesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9.00am*. If any family cannot make this meeting, then please contact Father Simon or myself.

<u>School Mass.</u> Our next school Mass will be to mark the feast of St Peter and St Paul. <u>Induction 2018.</u> Nursery 2018 and the first Reception group met with Mrs Chandler and the Early Years staff this week. If any family has any questions/queries as a result of the meetings, then please don't hesitate to contact school. Reception Group 2 will have their Induction meeting next **Thursday 28**<sup>th</sup> at **9.00am**, many thanks to Mrs Chandler for leading the meetings.













<u>Y2 Museum Visit</u>. Y2 had a great time on Tuesday when they visited the museum in town to take part in a workshop all about Ancient Rome. Thanks to Mrs Bryan and Miss Dunne for organising and leading the visit.

<u>Y6 trip to Sutton Park.</u> Miss McCarron and Y6 successfully survived their very active visit to Sutton Park on Tuesday, Well done to all of them!

"Moving on up Day". We are in the season of induction/transition meetings. This week Y6 have had teachers come to meet them from Cardinal Wiseman and St Edmund Campion schools. Y6 will be visiting their new schools on Wednesday July 4<sup>th</sup>. The children at school will meet their new teachers on that day if only for a short time as the building work means we haven't got enough room to accommodate every class. There will however be a short window of time in the morning when everyone will meet their new teacher for 2018-2019.

**Building Update.** I am indebted to Y3 for accommodating Y5 next door to them for a short period. It has meant we now have our dining room back which is a relief for everyone having been without it for nearly twelve months. This also frees up the school hall again which will need to be used for storage before we can access the new building.

End of Term. School breaks up for the summer holidays on Friday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 1.00pm. The children return to school on **Thursday September 6th.** A further reminder also that tomorrow *Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup>* are Teacher days and the school is closed to pupils on that day. All the summer term dates for the half term ahead can be found on the website.

**School Photographer.** The photographs are here and will be sent home as soon as possible.

Attendance for week ending June 22nd 2018

| Year Group     | % Attendance |
|----------------|--------------|
| Rec F          | 97%          |
| Rec W          | 90%          |
| Y1F            | 97%          |
| Y1C            | 92%          |
| Y2L            | 99%          |
| Y2D            | 98%          |
| Y3R            | 92%          |
| Y3W            | 100%         |
| Y4A            | 95%          |
| Y4P            | 94%          |
| Y5             | 100%         |
| Y6             | 97%          |
| Weekly Average | 96%          |

**Happy Birthday:** Gabriele Gonzales, Demi-Leigh Brennan, Ashley Msampha, Amelie McKenna and Logan Downey

<u>Please Pray for:</u> Jack Forrest who is poorly. Jack is the husband of Anne who served our governors for many years.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation with these matters.











