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Week beginning Monday February 11th 2019.

Thought for the week:

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or touched; they have to be felt in the heart”

Dear Parents,

Family Mass Sunday March 10th at 10.00am Our “Family Mass” for this term will take place just before the beginning of Lent on March 10th. At this Mass, the children who will be making their First Holy Communion will be demonstrating their commitment by reciting a prayer on the Sanctuary for everyone to hear. Showing that they are getting ready to receive Jesus for the first time and preparing for the next step on their journey of faith. All of Y3 and Y6 (Confirmandi) need to be present however it would be lovely to see each year group represented in the choir as we mark the beginning of our Lenten journey.

School Mass. Thanks to Y4 and Y1 for leading our Mass today, next week (Friday 15th) will see Y5 & Y2 leading our Liturgy.

Y4R Class Assembly Friday February 15th. Advance notice that Y4R will host their class assembly on Friday 15th at 9:00am in the school hall.

Wellbeing and Mindfulness Please look at the website (www.stmgtmry.bham.sch.uk) there is a new tab on the left hand side of the homepage with some ideas/activities/advice about all things to do with “wellbeing and mindfulness”.

Wellbeing Day Thanks to Mrs Logue and her team of “wellbeing warriors” for our “mindfulness day” yesterday. The proceeds from the non-uniform day will go towards buying two benches that will be sited in each playground. These will be painted in bright colours and used as seats where people can *sit and talk, sit and chat, sit and discuss anything that might be on their minds*. It really is a powerful initiative that is already bearing many fruits in school; our “mindfulness benches” are just two more examples. Thanks to all concerned for leading on what is an important aspect of school life.

Severe Weather. Despite the forecast, we had absolutely no snow. I hope that it will remain that way in the weeks ahead.

Teacher Days 2019. In 2019, our remaining teacher days will be *Friday April 5th 2019, Friday June 28th, Friday July 5th and Monday July 22nd.*



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Safer Internet Day Many thanks to Miss Dunne for leading school on Tuesday through “safer internet day”. Miss Dunne spoke to KS2 in assembly about what it means to stay safe online, an important message for all of us.

Spring Term 2019. We break up for half term next **Friday February 15th**, returning on **Monday the 25th February** at the usual time. We break up for the Easter holidays on **Friday April 12th**, returning for the summer term on **Monday April 29th**.

Y6 visit to St Chads Cathedral. The Confirmandi visited St Chads on Wednesday for a tour and Mass. One of our governors (Mr McConnell) is a guide at the Cathedral so I am indebted to him for helping to show Y6 around. The visit is always a fascinating experience and marks a good way of beginning to prepare for Confirmation in June. Thanks to Mr Barton for overseeing the visit.

Y4 trip to Sarehole Mill. Midweek also saw Miss Dunne and Miss Riley take Y4 across to visit Sarehole Mill. Once more, this is an interesting trip, one that was fortunately blessed with sunshine. Thanks to all concerned and well done to Y4 for representing our school so well.

Y5M INSPIRE Workshop. Thanks to Miss McCarron for organising our workshop yesterday, thanks to the Y5 families that came along your support is much appreciated.

Attendance for the week ending February 8th 2019

Year Group	Weekly %
Rec W	100%
RecF	96%
Y1P	99%
Y1F	94%
Y2C	99%
Y2M	95%
Y3B	98%
Y3T	99%
Y4R	96%
Y4D	97%
Y5M	94%
Y5A	98%
Y6B	96%
Weekly Average	97%

Happy Birthday: Lewis, Sesuna, Samuel and Olivia

Please pray for: The Slattery family.

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

M. Aldred Head Teacher.



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