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Thought for the week:

'The Sun is weak when he rises, but gathers strength as the day goes on.'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for September 2023



For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Friday 22nd September 2023

Dear Parents

Y1/2 Mass

Many thanks to our Key Stage One team for organising Mass today. The theme of mass today was about Vocations and choosing the right path that God has chosen for us. The Gospel message reflected that if we turn towards Him he forgives us even when we have sinned.

A reminder to parents regarding PE and uniform. White T-shirts, joggers/leggings and school jumpers. Please ensure children do not wear trainers to school. They must come in their school shoes and change their footwear for the PE lesson. Please can I urge all Y6G parents to ensure their child has a swimming kit in school on Wednesdays.

Y6 –7 Transition

would like to invite any Y6 parents to a meeting on Monday at 2.00pm in school to walk you through the application process for Year 7. If you are confident about the process and have already submitted your form you need not attend. A reminder that all forms must be submitted to Birmingham City Council by 31st October 2023.

<u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u>

The pupils in Year 6 are preparing themselves this term for Confirmation. This will take place on Tuesday 28th November at 7.00pm in Church with Bishop David. We will write to parents later in the term regarding dates for workshops and meetings. It is mandatory for parents workshops in preparation for Confirmation.

Year 1 Trip

Thank you to Mrs Hannon-Dalby and the Year 1 team for organising our first trip of the year. The children visited the Transport Museum as part of their topic on 'Transport' learning how vehicles have changed over time and also how they work. I was privileged to see Y1 investigating cars this week as part of the Design and Technology projects, they looked super!

Parliament

Thank you to Mr Barton for organising our School Parliament this week. Many thanks to everyone who donated to the foodbank today. All donations are very much appreciated and our Parish foodbank send their thanks.

Google Classroom

Apologies for any inconvenience, as soon as Google Classroom is up and running we will resume homework online. I am sure by the end of next week it should be functional again. In the meantime we will continue to send home paper homework.

New Brass Teacher

We welcome our new Brass Teacher Ms Sohal today and send our best wishes, thanks and regards to Mr Ali who has been promoted within the music service. Please ensure children have their instruments in school every Friday. This academic year all Y4 and Y5 pupils regardless of playing an instrument will attend the music sessions weekly.

Please keep the Gamuchi family in your prayers and we think of the Bank's family at this sad time.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation. Mrs. J Logue

Gospel Virtues

Autumn 1 Term

<u>Grateful &</u> Generous

Pupils are growing to be **grateful** for their own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and generous with their gifts, becoming men and women for others.

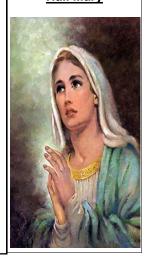
Diary Dates

Y6G Swimming Wednesday 27th September

> Y3/4 Mass Friday 29th September 9.15

September **Birthdays** Non uniform Day 29th September

Prayer of the Month Hail Mary



Assembly	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Khalil	Sosuna	Daniela
Reception	Hazel & Ava	Kian & Sam	Zuzanna G & Arad
Year One	Mikael & Mervyn	Andreas & Runako	Jessica & Rogue
Year Two	Alfie & Maksymilian	Poppy & Richelle	Yanet & Natalia
Year Three	Luca & Laura	Maiie & Kaian	Darci-Rose & Derick
Year Four	Lily-Mae & Jenson	Ta'Jae & Helen	Harley & Mukt
Year Five	Adil & Abigail	Alan & Mason	Amelia M & David K
Year Six	Oscar & Kyle	Nancy & Zofia	Pius & Adel





Cian and Amaya.

Many thanks to our Altar Servers, Readers and Offertory helpers in Mass today.

Grayson D, Yanet,
Maksymilian, Amaya,
Jaime, Romy, Jeremie,
Jotham, Daberechukwu,
Marnie, Aniyah, Pius and
Amarachukwu.





Snippets of news about

our School Parliament

Many thanks for all the donations to our School Council Foodbank Collection from Mr Barton and the team. We collected 3 trolleys worth of food today, thank you for being so generous.

Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself, Mr Mulligan or Mr Barton as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in UNICEF's Article 29 - A Right to an

Education.

Article of the Week

Our overall attendance: 97%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 97% Y1 Attendance = 96%

Y2 Attendance = 97% Y3 Attendance = 97% Y4 Attendance = 100% Y5 Attendance = 95%

Y6 Attendance = 98%



Article 4—Making Rights Happen

in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days] Odays absence 10 days absence 10 days absence 175 days non term days All this time for shopping, holidays, appointments etc... 29 days absence 29 days absence 38 days absence 29 days absence 38 days absence 29 days absence 29 days absence 38 days absence 29 days absence 29 days absence 29 days absence 38 days absence 29 days absence 47 days absence 29 days absence 47 days abs

Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being