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Thought for the week: 'Stay Awake!'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for December 2023



For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Friday 15th December 2023

Dear Parents

Y1/2 Mass

Thank you to Miss Pritchard for organising our mass today in Church. We celebrate the second week of Advent this week and focused on the second purple candle that represents 'peace'. It was lovely to see so many of our families and parishioners join us today for the liturgy.

Y2 Nativity

We had a lovely nativity today, well done Y2 it was super. 'Wowzer!' Great to see so many parents and friends come to support us. Well done to everyone who acted, read or sang it was a wonderful performance.

<u>Nativi</u>ties

This week we hosted our Nursery and Reception Nativity plays. It was so heart warming to see our youngest children telling the very special story of how baby Jesus was born. Thank you to Mrs Hannon-Dalby and to all the team in Early Years for their hard work in preparing the children.

Next week the children will enjoy a range of activities that we have planned for them from Christmas crafts, advent projects, crown decorating, Christmas dinner day and the Christmas Raffle. Please note raffle tickets are on sale everyday up to and including Friday 22nd December.

Bambellini Blessings

Fr Simon visited EYFS this week and blessed the baby Jesus' the children had made to take home for the festive season. Many thanks to Fr Simon, the children loved meeting with you and enjoyed chatting about Christmas.

Christmas Mass Times

Please find attached to this letter the times for the parish masses for your information. All are welcome to join Fr Simon and the Parish over the festivities.

Nativities and Carol Concerts next week:

Y1 will be hosting a Carol Concert for parents on Monday 18th December in the school hall at 9.00am. Y3 will host in the church at 1.30pm on that day also. Y4 will host their Christmas Nativity for parents on Tuesday 19th December at 9.00am in the school hall. Other Carol concerts next week— Y5/6 Carols in the church at 1.30pm on Tuesday 19th December.

Christmas Dinner Day

On Thursday 21st December we are having our Christmas Lunch in school (menu attached). The children can come in to school in non-uniform with a Christmas jumper or some sparkle. If your child has sandwiches and would like to have a Christmas Dinner please let the office know by next Tuesday.

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

Gospel Virtues

Autumn 2 Term

Attentive and **Discerning**

Attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

Diary Dates

No School Mass next week

No after School clubs next week.

Y6Y Swimming Final Wednesday 20th December

Non uniform day on Thursday 21st **December Christmas Dinner Day**



Light the Advent candle three think of heavenly harmony. Angels singing "Peace on Earth". At the Blessed Saviour's birth,'

Assembly	Maths Superstar	Good Work	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Emmanuel	Elda	Lu'zari
Reception	Eliana & Szymon	Masha & Bryan	Reighn & Aronas
Year One	Leo & Ava-Mae	Aria & Devon	Amelia & Rosa
Year Two	Aniyah & Romy	Orla & David A	Samyar & Richelle
Year Three	Jacob & Kaian	Jeniyah & Esme	Ajax & Mya
Year Four	Kamsiyochukw & Jayden	Ellena & Sahara	Skyler & Marcel
Year Five	Gloryanne & R'miyo	Eijah & Amarachukwu	Owen & Reegan
Year Six	Alex & Grayson	Cheryl & Abigail	Nancy & Beulah





Violet-Rae. Tienna and David B.



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

Mercyel, Yanet, Daberechukwu, Mmesoma, Maja, Nelson, Grayson D, Hannah H, Linda, Szymon, Amarachukwu and Pius.



Snippets of news about

our School Parliament

Well done to the School Parliament for raising money for the Birmingham Children's Hospital this week. We are donating £150.00 towards presents for children in hospital this Christmas. Well done to all our Y5/6 pupils this term for all their fundraising efforts in school What a difference they are making to our local community and beyond.

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

Article of the Week Education.

Our overall attendance: 97%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 96% Y1 Attendance = 95% Y2 Attendance = 100% Y3 Attendance= 96%

Y4 Attendance = 96% Y5 Attendance = 96%

Y6 Attendance = 97%

Article - 31 Rest, Play, **Culture and Arts**

Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days]

