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# Thought for the week: 'Fast, Pray, Give.'



# The Pope's Monthly Intentions for February 2024

### For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents,

### Y1/2 Mass

Thank you to Miss Pritchard, Miss Winchurch and Mrs Jones for organising our mass on the theme of *Lent*. During this special season we are preparing for Holy Week. Our aim is to **fast, pray and give** alms to enable us to focus on the importance of this season. The children will work through their daily calendars and prayer services will be planned for the coming weeks.

### Design and Technology

We have had a very creative week in Upper Key Stage Two this week. The children have designed, made and evaluated stuffed toys and created fruit pizzas. Y5 investigated creatures in the rainforest and designed a toy, stuffed it and worked on the skill of sewing to complete their project. Y6 enjoyed tasting various fruits and designed a fruit pizza.

### PSHE Day

Healthy Me' was the theme of our PSHE day this week. Thank you to Miss Winchurch for organising this event. It is important that we keep ourselves healthy in the foods we eat, exercising our bodies daily and looking after our mental and spiritual health too.

### Y4P Parents Evening

Apologies to parents but unfortunately Miss Parkes is unable to attend our parents evening next week. We will reschedule as soon as possible. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

### Reading Diet

As part our reading diet in school we are passionate about our children learning phonics and the skills to be able to read fluently. Our school library is a fantastic resources that we use every single day. We are inviting families to come and read a story every Wednesday morning to support this love of reading for all. Please watch out for invites in the post.

## **Botanical Gardens**

Y5 had a super trip to the Botanical Gardens this week as part of their learning cycle on the *Rainfor est*. This is a popular trip and the children get a lot of knowledge of out of it. Please keep your eye on our twitter feed to see all the exciting activities covered so far.

### Fr Hudson Collection Bags - Monday

Mrs Hannon-Dalby has sent out to all pupils our 'Lenten Calendars'. Please read them daily with your child. On Monday the Fr Hudson donation bags will be coming home. Previously these were boxes, this year they have requested any monetary donations be placed in the bags.

### Family Mass

We look forward to welcoming Y2 and Y5 to our Family Mass on Sunday at 9.30am. Our choir have been invited to come and lead our singing in the liturgy.

Please remember we are a non jewellery school earrings, bracelets and necklaces must not be worn in school.

We pray for the Donnelly family at this sad time and keep all our school families in our prayers during Lent.

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

### **Prayer of the Month**

May I know you more clearly, Love you more dearly, Follow you more nearly, Day by day.

Amen.



### **Diary Dates**

Y4M Swimming Wednesday 28th February

Y5/6 Mass in Church on Friday 1st March at 9.15 am

Y3 Class Assembly for parents Friday 1st March 9.00am

### Gospel Virtues



### Faith-filled

Faith gives us belief and trust in God and in other people. We have to build on it every day through prayer, being part of a faith community and living out the gospel values.

Faith gives us hope.

### **Hopeful**

We are hopeful when we are optimistic about the future, we trust ourselves and others, and we don't give up.

Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Reading Star of the week	Maths Star of the week
	Khalil	Eiven	Alexaina
Nursery	Kilalii	Elvell	Aloysius
Reception	Yulyana & Charlie	Aronas & Oma	Szymon & Grace B
Year One	Aria & Juanita	Mmesoma & George	Jesse & Emerson
Year Two	Elroi & Michal	Jotham & Romy	Jeremie & Israel
Year Three	Grace E & Kurt	Hanna & Mya	Max & Eldana
Year Four	Kamsiyochukw & Dhian	Fabian & Isabella	Ellena & Xavier
Year Five	Amelia & David C	Alan & Olivia	Adil & Richard
Year Six	Ocean & Eugenie	Karina & Prosper	Carter & Jamel



Natan, Moyosola, Adonias, Victoria,

Damon, Eliyam and Osei Amaniampong.



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

Geraldine, Romy,
Hannah, Rosa, Casius, Israel, Amaya, Tyquan,
Gabriel, Pius and
Amarachukwu



Snippets of news from

our School Parliament

Yellow Day organised by the Wellbeing Council will take place on Friday 1st March.

### **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 28 - A Right to an Education.

Article of the Week



Our overall attendance: 96%

### ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 97% Y1 Attendance = 96%
Y2 Attendance = 96% Y3 Attendance = 93%
Y4 Attendance = 100% Y5 Attendance = 97%

Article - 7 Identity

# Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days] 10 days absence 10 days abs