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ST. MARGARET MARY'S  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Week beginning September 12th 2016.**

**Thought for the week:**

**“Real Love begins when nothing is expected in return”.**

Dear Parents,

**Family Mass Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am.** *Everyone is invited to our Mass on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>. Both Father Simon and I extend a warm welcome to everyone to come along and join us.* This Mass will be an ideal opportunity to welcome Father Simon to our parish, to say hello to all our new families and for all of us to start our new year together as a school family. Bishop Byrne is coming along to the Mass on the 25<sup>th</sup> so please do your utmost to come and support our school and parish as we begin 2016 together.

**Sacramental Programme 2016-2017.** Mrs Hayes will be writing to everyone in Y3 and Y6 shortly with all the relevant dates/times/meetings for the year ahead. There are some changes this year so please do keep an eye out for a letter if it applies to you. I want to thank Father Simon for his input already in shaping our programme for 2016-2017.

**Secondary Transfer 2017.** A reminder that the online admissions web site is now open and the secondary school open sessions are about to begin. Y6 parents have until the 31<sup>st</sup> October to submit their application form, if any family needs to talk or is unsure about this process please come in to school for a chat. It is a very important decision and my advice would be to visit all your potential schools.

**School numbers.** Our school is currently full to capacity in every year group. Sadly this week I have had to meet with a number of families telling them that we have “no room” left in school. If you have a child in Nursery or you have a child of school age in September please make sure you fill in our supplementary information form. These are separate to local authority forms and can be downloaded from our website or collected from the school office. This form gives school the information that your child is a baptised Catholic, without it school will not know and a place cannot be offered. Please call into school and fill in a form to guarantee your place.

**School Uniform.** Thank you for sending the children back to school looking so smart in their red uniforms. Thank you for your support with our uniform policies, it really is a tradition we can all be rightly proud of. Can I remind everyone that **NO** jewellery of any kind is permitted in school and that trainers are not allowed. Thank you to everyone for your support with these matters.

**Autumn 16 Dates.** Spare copies of these can be found in the school office and on our website, please make sure you have a copy so as not to miss out on anything.



**Nursery/Reception 2016-2017.** Well done to all our new children for settling in so well, well done also to the EYFS staff for all their efforts and hard work this week.

**Dinner Money 2016-2017.** The cost for dinners is £11 a week and needs to be paid on a Monday either by posting the money into the box provided in the entrance area, or by handing it in to the school office.

**Milk Money 2016-2017.** The cost of milk is £1.30 per week; please do encourage your child/children to have milk as a healthy option. Likewise with break time snacks please can I ask you to encourage your children to have a healthy snack.

**Breakfast Club 2016-2017.** The cost per day is £3 or £5 for siblings. Mrs Teague runs our breakfast club and opens it at 7.45am each morning. The children will receive their breakfast and then head out onto the playground at 8.30am. If anyone is interested in using this facility please call into the school office.

**School Uniform 2016-2017.** All items of school uniform are available from the school office, please ask Mrs Cooney or Mrs Clegg and they will help you.

**Y6 trip to the Houses of Parliament Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> Our** now annual exciting trip to London and the Houses of Parliament has come round again for our oldest children. Miss McCarron and Mr Barton will be accompanying Y6 on a tour of the Houses of Parliament followed by an afternoon visit to the Imperial War Museum. You will be able to follow their day on Twitter so please do take a look next Monday.

The children need to be at school at **5.45am next Monday morning for a 6.00am start. Can I stress that the coach will leave exactly at 6.00am to avoid the traffic so PLEASE DON'T BE LATE. The coach should be back at 5.30pm on Monday afternoon.**

**Extra Curricular Clubs.** These begin in earnest next week; please note however that Netball and Computing clubs will begin on **Monday September 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Week beginning Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> 3.15pm-4.00pm**

Day	Club	Year group	Teacher
Monday	Netball	Begins 19/9/16	Miss Dunne
Monday	Computing	Begins 19/9/16	Miss McCarron
Monday	RE	Y3	Mrs Hayes
Tuesday	D+T	Y2D	Mrs Attwood
Tuesday	Dance	Y1	Mrs Gray
Wednesday	Gymnastics	Y4	Fit 4 Schools
Thursday	Art	Reception, Mrs Crossen's class	Mrs Crossen
Thursday	Maths	Y3	Miss McGeechan
Thursday	Sport	Y5/6	Mr Barton
Thursday	Science	Y2B	Mrs Bryan

**Happy Birthday:** Grace Fisher, Carter Fisher, Keira Conway, Elisa Kola, Adel Msampha, Sophie Hudson and Brodie-Leigh Proudfoot.

**Please pray for:** Our school and particular all our new children and families as we start this New Year together.

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

M. Aldred Head teacher

