

loving hopeful
attentive curious
faith-filled learned wise
generous grateful
eloquent prophetic discerning
intentional compassionate active
truthful



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Week beginning Monday March 13th 2017.

Thought for the week:

“It is better to be defeated on principle than to win on lies”

Dear Parents,

LENT 2017. Our week began with Mr Barton leading the whole school with our Lenten assembly. He focussed this week on two new Gospel Values, “Attentive and “Discerning”. Mr Barton spoke about how important it is that we listen (attentive) and make then the right choices (Discerning). He gave everyone examples of how we can be attentive and discerning during Lent.

Family Mass Sunday March 19th 2017 at 10.00am. As our Lenten journey continues Father Simon and I invite everyone to our next “family Mass” *next Sunday 18th*. Y3 and Y6 will once again be leading us during Mass but everyone is welcome to come along. Refreshments will be available in the school hall after Mass.

School Mass. Thanks to Y3 for leading the Liturgy this morning. Thanks also to Mrs Attwood and Mrs Fernandez for organising our Mass.

First Holy Communion Saturday May 20th at 9.00am and 11.00am. Mr Barton has already written to individual families as to which Mass they have been allocated. He will write again in due course with all the details about how the day will be managed.

Confirmation 2017. This will take place on **Thursday June 22nd at 7.00pm.**

Parent Consultation Evening. Thank you to everyone that managed to come along this week, I hope you found both talking to your child’s teacher useful and also accessing some information about your child via our online portal helpful. The staff have worked very hard getting this ready for everyone and up to yesterday nearly 50% of families had accessed their child’s information. If you haven’t been able to log on for whatever reason please let us know and school will help sort out any difficulties you may have. Thanks to Mrs Logue for overseeing the whole initiative.

Y1F parents evening will take place next **Thursday March 16th** after school in the hall. The teachers will be available also, to meet with anyone who was unable to come this week on a “first come first served basis”.

Secondary School 2017. A final reminder that all our Y6 families should now have been notified about which secondary school their child will be attending. ***If for any reason people haven’t heard, or are unhappy with the school allocated to them,*** please call into school and I can help/advise at to what process to follow.



Traffic congestion. Once again I write seeking everyone's support in making sure our children are kept safe before and after school. Please can I ask everyone to park considerately and exercise the utmost caution when dropping/picking their child/children up at school.

Easter Break. School closes for the Easter break on **Friday April 7th at 1.00pm, returning for the summer term on Tuesday April 25th.**

Ancient Rome. Midweek saw Professor McGinty visit Y3 telling them all about "Ancient Rome". Please take a look at our Twitter feed for some of the photos of Y3.

Maths Assembly. Thanks to Miss McGeechan for organising our Maths assembly on Tuesday. This is an idea that we have been running with all year attempting to capture everyone's attention with all things Maths.

Fire Service Visit. Tuesday also saw the Fire Service visit Y4 to deliver a workshop on fire safety. Thanks to Mrs Chandler for organising the visit.

Extra Curricular Clubs: Week beginning Monday March 13th 2017 3.05pm-4.00pm

Day	Club	Year group	Teacher
Monday	Computing Club	Y4	Miss Dunne
Monday	Maths Club	Y6	Miss McCarron
Tuesday	D&T Club	Y2	Mrs Attwood/Mrs Croft
Wednesday	Gymnastics club	Y3	Fit 4 Schools
Thursday	Art Club	Reception	Mrs Crossen/Mrs Whitty
Thursday	Sports club	Y5/6	Mr Barton
Thursday	Science Club	Y1	Mrs Bryan/Miss Crowton

Attendance for week ending March 10th 2017

Year Group	% Attendance
Reception M	96%
Reception C	96%
Y1F	99%
Y1C	96%
Y2C	97%
Y2D	95%
Y3	94%
Y4	98%
Y5	97%
Y6	94%
Weekly Average	96%

Happy Birthday:

Many thanks for your co-operation and support with these matters.
M. Aldred Head teacher

