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ST. MARGARET MARY'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Week beginning Monday March 20th 2017.

Thought for the week:

“Life shrinks or expands in proportion to ones courage”

Dear Parents,

LENT 2017. Our week began with Miss McGeechan and the School Councillors telling us about all they do in school. They informed us about their plans for the future and any ideas they have for fundraising (“Giving alms”) both in the future and during Lent. Thanks to all concerned for starting the week off in such a positive way. Monday also saw school recognise the festival of “Holi”. This day marks the beginning of spring in the Hindu calendar. The children looked at “Holi” discussed some of the customs/traditions involved in the festival and considered some of the symbols that Hindus employ to mark the festival of “Holi”. Thanks to Mr Barton for overseeing the day “buran a mano, Holi hai” or don’t be offended it’s Holi!

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” this *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 KS1 for leading the Liturgy this morning. Next week our Mass will be a KS 2 Mass led by Y5

First Holy Communion Saturday May 20th at 9.00am and 11.00am. Our 9.00am and 11.00am Mass times are now complete, thanks to all concerned. If anyone hasn’t received a letter please let the office know.

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

Parent Consultation Evening. Mrs Logue will write with an alternative date for Y1 and some of Y2 shortly. She will also inform everyone of a time when all the teachers will be available again for those parents that couldn’t come last week.

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

Bike Shelter. Earlier this week, after school had finished and before the end of clubs, we had a bike stolen from the shelter. The person concerned was caught on CCTV and the images have been given to the Police. This incident has left everyone upset, notwithstanding the distress it has caused to the child who has had their bike stolen. Gates are locked during the school day, but



need to be opened after 3.00pm to allow everyone to go home. Please can I ask everyone to be extra vigilant as the nights stretch out and we head into summer. If anyone sees anything suspicious before or after school then please report it to either me or the Police.

Y6 Visit to Cadbury World. Thanks to our oldest children for being such excellent ambassadors on their visit to Cadbury world yesterday. Thanks to Mr Barton for overseeing the trip.

Y5 Visit to the Botanical gardens. I received a lovely letter form the Botanical gardens this week saying how well behaved the children were on their visit last week. I showed the letter to the class and asked Mr Barton to display it, well done to all of Y5 for representing St Margaret Marys so impeccably..

Y2 visit to Soho House. Thanks to Miss Dunne, Mrs Bryan and their team of helpers for taking Y2 to Soho House on Wednesday. Everyone had good time learning about Mary Seacole and the children were once again a credit to take out.

Mother's Day Assembly. A special assembly for mums from our Reception children takes place next *Friday 24th*. *Mrs Crossen's class assembly will be at 9.15am and Miss McGeechan at 1.30pm. All mums are welcome!!*

Extra Curricular Clubs /Holy Week *All our clubs will finish for the spring term on Thursday March 30th*. Thank you for supporting them since January and thanks to all the teachers for running and organising them. The clubs will start up again on *Tuesday May 2nd* for the summer.

Extra Curricular Clubs: Week beginning Monday March 20th 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 17th 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 and Happy St Patrick's Day!
M. Aldred Head teacher