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Week ending Friday April 7th 2017

Thought for the week:

“Forgive them for they know not what they do”

Dear Parents

Sacramental Programme 2017. After the Easter break preparations will begin in earnest for our First Holy Communion programme. The workshop for everyone will be on **4th May** with the sacrament itself over two separate Masses on **Saturday May 20th**. Confirmation will take place on **Thursday June 22nd at 7.00pm.**

“Holy Week 2017” This week has seen the whole school community stop and reflect on the events of Holy Week. From the first assembly on Monday everything we have done has had Holy Week at its centre. Different year groups’ have retold the events of Holy Week in various prayer services/role plays, many thanks to everyone.

Thank you to everyone in school for marking this week in such a thoughtful manner.

Holy Week and Easter Mass times at St Margaret Marys Church

13th April Maundy Thursday. Mass will be at 7.30pm.

14th April Good Friday. Stations of the Cross at 2.00pm, Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion at 3.00pm.

15th April Holy Saturday. 11.00am “Blessing of the Baskets” “Swiecenie potraw Wielkanocnych”.

15th April Holy Saturday 8.30pm Easter Vigil.

16th April Easter Sunday Mass at 10.00am.

I have spoken to the children at length this week about how important it is that we focus on the events of Holy Week. Please take your child/children along to Church over the Easter period, after all without this week our school and parish wouldn’t exist.

End of Term. A final reminder that we break up from school for the Easter holidays tomorrow **Friday April 7th at 1.00pm** we return to school at the normal time on **Tuesday April 25th**

Extra Curricular Clubs. These will begin again on **Tuesday May 2nd**. School will write and advise every one of any changes the first week back.

Dinner Money. Please can any outstanding monies be paid by tomorrow (Friday). There are plans to increase the cost of school dinners after Easter, so can I please ask that large debts are not built up and that any outstanding amounts are paid accordingly.



Mrs Crossen. Mrs Crossen leaves our school tomorrow; I want to write and thank her for her work at St Margaret Marys over the last 18 months and wish her well in her new venture. Miss Fellows will be joining our team after the Easter break and I look forward to welcoming her to St Margaret Marys.

Lent 2017. Thank you to everyone for joining in and donating money for all our various charities this year. Below are all the details of what we collected and for whom.

Good Shepherd Boxes for St Chad's Sanctuary raised £150.

"Green Day" for Rwanda raised £200.

"Yellow Day" for St Vincent de Paul Society raised £150

"Fun Day" raised £ 250 for the Father Hudson Society

"Penalty Shoot-out" for CAFOD raised £100

A grand total of over £850 THANK YOU TO EVERYONE.

Attendance for term ending April 7th. 2017

Year Group	% Attendance
Reception M	92%
Reception C	94%
Y1F	97%
Y1C	96%
Y2C	98%
Y2D	96%
Y3	96%
Y4	97%
Y5	96%
Y6	95%
Termly Average	96%

Happy Birthday to: anyone that has a birthday during the Easter holidays.

Please pray for: Please pray for anyone in our school family who is sick or anxious as Easter approaches. Can I also ask you to keep Father Simon and his family in your prayers as they prepare for their first Easter here at St Margaret Marys.

Finally a big thank you to everyone who works in our school for all of their efforts this term. I met with the staff earlier this week and thanked them for their professionalism and commitment in what has been a particularly busy term. We are blessed with a real team ethic at St Margaret Marys, one that we are all rightly proud of. Our school could not function the way it does without every member of that team playing their part, a big thank you to everyone for their work and commitment this term.

Finally I would like to wish all our families a Happy and Holy Easter, and look forward to welcoming everyone back on April 25th.

Many thanks for your cooperation and support with these matters.

M. Aldred Head teacher

