



ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM **ST. MARGARET MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL** Perry Common Road, Erdington, Birmingham, B23 7AB

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Week Beginning Monday July 2nd 2018. Thought for the week: "Well done is better than well said"

Dear Parents,

<u>St John the Baptist, St Peter and St Paul.</u> Our week began with Mr Barton leading our school with a reflection on last Sunday's Gospel. He told the children about St John's birthday (he was born six months before Jesus). Mr Barton went on to explain how John went on to be a true witness and example to all of us. The assembly also focussed on two other "attentive" and "discerning" saints. The feast day of St Peter and St Paul is marked today (Friday) and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mr Barton spoke about how these two saints were also true witnesses and examples all of us should try and follow.

<u>School Mass.</u> Thank you to Mr Barton for overseeing our feast day mass this morning. Our next Mass will be on Friday July 13th 2018.

School Improvement Planning Day 2018. Last Friday proved a real success with priorities for 2018-2019 decided upon. I am indebted to all the staff for their input into the day and the governors also that came along and offered their opinions and insight. Next year the school will be focussing on vocations and mission in RE, raising standards in Maths and English, raising the profile of Science across school and having a real focus on physical and mental wellbeing. The governors ratified the Improvement Plan at our meeting last night and it will be displayed on our website accordingly.

<u>Parental Questionnaire</u>. Thanks to everyone who completed a questionnaire last week, Mrs Logue will be writing to everyone with the findings shortly.

Confirmation 2018. Y6 will be confirmed on *Monday July 9th at 7.00pm*. Bishop Robert Byrne will be visiting the parish and confirming the children. The workshop for families is on *Monday July 2nd at 1.30pm*. *Please note this has had to be brought forward a day and is now in the afternoon*. If any family cannot make this meeting, then please contact Father Simon or myself. **Induction 2018.** Our final meeting with new Reception parents was held yesterday. I am very grateful to Mrs Chandler for overseeing all the meetings this year, I look forward to working with everyone in the future, Starting school (especially for the first time) can be somewhat daunting. Please don't think any question whatsoever is a "silly one". Please call school or pop into the office and we will try and help you.



<u>Y4 trip to Aston Hall.</u> Y4 paid a visit to a very special local attraction on Wednesday. They spent the day at Aston Hall, a visit that is always enjoyable and interesting. Thanks to Mrs Attwood and Miss Parkes for organising the visit.

<u>"Moving on up Day"</u>. Y6 will be visiting their new schools on Wednesday July 4th. They will need to make their own way to and from their new schools. The children at school will meet their new teachers on that day if only for a short time as the building work means we haven't got enough room to accommodate every class. There will however be a short window of time in the morning when everyone will meet their new teacher for 2018-2019.

End of Term. School breaks up for the summer holidays on Friday July 20^{th} at 1.00pm. The children return to school on Thursday September 6th. A further reminder also that *Friday July* 6^{th} is a Teacher day and the school is closed to pupils on that day. All the summer term dates for the half term ahead can be found on the website.

Book Fair 2018. Thanks to everyone for their support with the book fair this year, with all the building work going on around school it has proved a little more problematic than normal. Thanks to Miss McCarron for arranging and overseeing everything.

Building Work. Please continue to exercise great caution if you need to come up the school drive for any reason. There are still a number of vehicles moving across the front of school so great care is needed.

Attendance for week ending June 29th 2018	
Year Group	% Attendance
Rec F	95%
Rec W	93%
Y1F	97%
Y1C	94%
Y2L	96%
Y2D	99%
Y3R	96%
Y3W	96%
Y4A	91%
Y4P	92%
Y5	97%
Y6	97%
Weekly Average	96%

Happy Birthday: Noah Mulugeta, Nevaeh McLoughlin, Jamie Wells O'hehir, Jacek Wawrzyniak, Kacper Grzunka and Brooke Dunne-Shale.

Please pray for: Y6 as they continue their preparations for Confirmation.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation with these matters. M. Aldred Head teacher

