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**Thought for the week:**  
**'Think positively for good things to happen.'**

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May 2022**



**Faith-Filled Young People**  
 We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Dear Parents

Friday 13th May 2022

**Y1/2 Mass**

Many thanks to Mrs Jones, Miss Winchurch, Miss Mochan and Miss Pritchard for organising our school mass . Well done to all our readers and helpers at mass. It was lovely to see our parents and friends from the parish join us today.

**SATs 2022**

An enormous well done to all our pupils in Year 6. Everyone arrived on time and did their very best in their end of key stage tests this week. I hope now that they can enjoy the next phase of year six in preparing for their transition to secondary school in September. We have a number of exciting things planned to reward them for their hard work.

Year 2 SATs continue up to and including Thursday 26th May. Please ensure your child is in school every day.

**SMVSC Lesson (Spiritual, Moral, Vocational, Social and Cultural)**

Thank you to Mr Barton for organising our SMVSC day around the subject of *Buddhism*. The children have been learning that Buddhism teaches people to lead a moral life and to be aware of what we think and how we behave.

**Prayer Garden Rosary Group**

Mr Barton and Mr Mulligan will continue to meet with children at lunchtimes for the next few weeks to partake in saying a decade of the Rosary. Children are welcome to bring their Rosary beads during the month of May is they so wish.

**Special Summer Menu**

Next Thursday 19th May we are having a special summer menu day. All children are invited to join us for Fish and Chips or Sausage and Chips menu. Please contact the school office if your child does not usually have school dinners but would like to join us on Thursday. The cost of the lunch will be £2.50. (Please see menu attached.)

**Y6 SATs club**

Well done to all the Year 6 pupils who attended this club after school every week. Great to see such dedication. As parents are aware there is no longer an after school club for Year 6 on Thursday's.

**Attendance and Punctuality**

Many thanks to all our pupils who arrive on time, or have improved arriving to school on time. May I remind parents that the gates will close promptly at **8.45 am** every morning. Our weekly attendance has been steady over the last few weeks reaching an average of 95%. As you are aware it should be 96+. We will be writing again to families whose attendance falls under this figure in the next few weeks.

**Holy Communion Mass**

The children in Year 3 will be making their First Holy Communion in Church on Saturday 11th June. We have 42 children that will be attending with their families on the day. We have to host all families over two masses as we do not have the capacity for all pupils at the same mass. Fr Simon has organised a 9.00 am and 11.00 am mass. These times will be sent home today.

**Summer Fayre**

School and Parish are planning to host a Summer Fayre after school on Friday 15th July. We hope to have a raffle and an array of stalls and activities to raise funds for school and parish. We will be writing with more information about this event later in the term.

*Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.*  
 Mrs J Logue

**Prayer of the Month:**

*Hail Mary full of grace,  
 the Lord is with thee:  
 blessed art thou among  
 women, and blessed is  
 the fruit of thy womb,  
 Jesus. Holy Mary,  
 Mother of God, pray for  
 us sinners, now and at  
 the hour of our death.*

*Amen.*



**Diary Dates**

- Y5Y Swimming am  
Tuesday 17th May
- Y3T Swimming pm  
Wednesday 18th May
- Y5/6 Mass in Church  
Friday 20th May at  
9.15 am
- Y4 Trip to Black  
Country Museum 18th  
May

**Learning Corner**

*Learn about the Rosary  
 for the month of May.*



Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Violet-Rae	Rosa	Szymon
Reception	Jonjo & Alfie	Grayson & Poppy	Maximus & Elroi
Year One	Antoni & Alisha	Zikora & Eldana	Efrata & Sinon
Year Two	Raena & Eryk	Isabella & Skyler	Marcel & Jasmine
Year Three	Elsie & Jacob	Lucian & Neeve	Kaydrah & Martyna
Year Four	Eliza & Arsema	Oscar & Prosper	Maryanne & Zofia
Year Five	Zuhayra & Oliwia	Brodie-Leigh & Esrom	Mason & Benita
Year Six	Akorede & Abiel	Pola & Emily	Victoria & Vanessa



**Ethan D, Luca, Antoni, Mateusz K,**

**Dominik, Ugonna & Elm.**



Snippets of news about  
our School Parliament

**Thank you to our wonderful School Council for organising another food bank collection. A super effort as always. Our Parish and community are very grateful for your generous donations.**

### Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself, Mr Mulligan or Mr Barton as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in **UNICEF's Article 29 - A Right to an Education.**

**Our overall attendance : 96%**

#### **ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:**

EYFS Attendance = 93%    Y1 Attendance = 91%  
 Y2 Attendance = 95%    Y3 Attendance = 98%  
 Y4 Attendance = 97%    Y5 Attendance = 98%  
 Y6 Attendance = 100%

Article of the Week



Article 1—Definition of a child.



Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days]

