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Thought for the week:
'Success has a simple formula; do your best!!.'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for October 2023



'We can rediscover a symphonic Church, in which each person is able to sing with his or her own voice, welcoming the voices of others as a gift to manifest in the harmony of the whole that the Holy Spirit composes.'

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents

Y5/6 Mass

Thank you to Mr Barton and Mr Mulligan for organising our mass today. The theme was St Luke, Patron of Doctors. Fr Simon shared with us the three key things to remember about Luke was that he was a devoted Christian and follower of Jesus, is a role model for friendship and was a natural peacemaker.

Transition Year 7 Pupils 2024

Parents with pupils currently in Year 6 have until October 31st (this month) to submit their application to Birmingham City Council online.

Please be aware this window closes during half term. If you are late sending in your application this could effect your choices for next September.

Cauliflower Cards

A reminder to all parents to please ensure you return the card templates on Monday 23rd October, it cannot be returned any later. If you have any queries please contact the office.

Feast Day

This week we celebrated our Patron Saint's feast day. It was lovely to see all the children wearing red, there were lots of activities going on throughout the day learning about her early life and legacy. The children in EYFS made some beautiful Heart necklaces to symbolise how the *Sacred Heart* appeared to St Margaret Mary to show her his burning love. We are very proud to have her as our Patron Saint and we will continue to *live, love and learn* together in the light and example of the life of Christ.

Parents Evening

Thanks to all our teachers and teaching assistants for organising and hosting our Parent's Evening this week. It was lovely to meet all of our new parents as well and current. We look forward to working with you as the year unfolds and celebrating all the achievements to come as each topic is taught.

Harvest Festival

Mrs Hannon-Dalby has asked for donation on Monday to be sent into school for our Harvest Festival celebrations next week. We will donate the produce to the Sanctuary Charity at St Chad's. We will be celebrating harvest and giving thanks in our assemblies planned next week.

October Birthdays

Any children with a birthday in October are invited to attend school on Thursday 26th October in non-uniform.

Parent Questionnaires

A questionnaire for all parents will be sent home on Monday to seek out your views. Please could I ask that you return them by Friday 27th October. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Punctuality

Please can I ask that pupils arrive on time and enter through the playground gates. It is unsettling for staff and pupils when children arrive late. This also has an impact on the office staff and their morning duties.

The gates are open promptly at 8.30 and close at 8.45.

We pray for the King family at this sad time.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.

Mrs J Logue

Gospel Virtues

Autumn 1 Term

Grateful &

Generous

Pupils are growing to be **grateful** for their own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and **generous** with their gifts, becoming men and women for others.

Diary Dates

**Y6G Final Swim
Wednesday 25th
October**

**Y3/4 Mass 9.15
Friday 27th October
at 9.15**

**Half Term Holidays
commence at 3pm on
Friday 27th October.
Children will return to
school on Monday
6th November.**

Prayer of the Month

Guardian Angel

**Angel of God, my
guardian dear, to
whom God's love
commits me
here, ever this day
be at my side, to
light and guard, to
rule and guide.**



Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Eiven	Lu'zari	Essa
Reception	Wynter & Joshua	Bryan & Eliana	Szymon & Lewis
Year One	Leo & Devon	Aaliyah & Ethan	Aria & Ava-Mae
Year Two	Samyar & Shay	Aniyah & Michal	Liam & Daberechukwu
Year Three	Adam & Akiel	Antoni & Alisha	Hanna & Amayah
Year Four	Ralphy & Paris	Kamsiyochukw & Xavier	Sana & Isabella
Year Five	Grace & Miller	Yocabel & Kaydrah	Leo & Olivia
Year Six	Cheryl & Beulah	Amelie & Abigail	Isabelle & Maya



Zuzanna G, Gabriel, Leo,

**Maksymilian, Amelia, Adiam
and Tiana.**



*Many thanks to our
Altar Servers, Readers
and Offertory helpers
in Mass today.*

*Anashe, Gloryanne,
Alan, Denis, Yocabel,
Richard, Eva, Amara &
Pius.*



Snippets of news about
our School Parliament

Liturgy Council Rosary Competition Please send in your Rosary pictures for next week. Mrs Hannon-Dalby and the Liturgy team will be choosing the winners next Thursday and awarding a prize in every class.

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 = 96% Y1 Attendance = 95%
Y2 Attendance = 96% Y3 Attendance = 97%
Y4 Attendance = 98% Y5 Attendance = 94%
Y6 Attendance = 95%

Article of the Week



Article 3 — Best interests of the Child



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

