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Thought for the week:
'He is coming!'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for December 2023



For persons with disabilities
 We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Friday 1st December 2023

Dear Parents

Y5/6 Mass

Thank you to Mr Barton for preparing our lovely mass today on the theme of **'Prepare the way of the Lord.'** This means that every effort we take to make a positive impact on those around us, seeking justice, creating peace, we are causing the will of God to be realised as John the Baptist did when he called the crowds to prepare for the coming of the Lord.

Design and Technology

Our pupils in Y3 and Y4 have been enjoying the process of **design, make, evaluate** this week in their D&T project work. Y3 have been designing and creating static electricity games investigating friction and Y4 have been creating and making book sleeves using the art of sewing. We have some very talented designers amongst us. Well done!

Rights Respecting Assembly

Thank you to Mr Barton for meeting with all our pupils to reinforce their voice and to remind them of the articles set out by the United Nations to enable all children to be heard. Each week, as you know we celebrate an article in school and unpick these with the pupils.

Cafe Ceramica

Reception and Nursery enjoyed a visit from Café Ceramica this week. They were invited to decorate a Christmas decoration, I cannot wait to see how they turn out. A lovely souvenir for our children to mark their first Christmas at school. We look forward to Y5 being visited by the Café Ceramica team next week, as part of their Shang Dynasty topic. The pupils will create and depict a piece of the story from the Willow Pattern.

Y6 Confirmation

It was a pleasure to meet Bishop David Evans this week in school. We were delighted that he visited the pupils in Y6 before the Confirmation Mass. They were full of questions for him about his life and vocation. The Mass was enjoyed by all and a special thank you to Mr Mulligan and Miss Gibson for preparing the children so well and to Mrs Walczak for decorating the church so beautifully.

Reception and Y6 Height and Weight

The nurse visited this week and met everyone signed up for this project. If any pupils were absent the Nurse Team will pop back to school in January to ensure these measurements have been recorded.

Foodbank Collection

The School Parliament are holding a collection at the gate next Friday 8th December. Any donations will be greatly received and appreciated.

Blue Day

Thank you for supporting our Blue Day today organised by the School Council. All proceeds will go towards the Christmas Raffle held for all pupils at the end of term. Many thanks 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 8.30am and close at 8.45am.

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

Gospel Virtues
Autumn 2 Term

Attentive and Discerning

Attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

Diary Dates

Y3/4 Mass Friday 8th December

Y6Y Swimming Wednesday 6th December

Family Mass on Sunday 3rd December led by Y3 and Y6 9.30 am in church

December Birthdays non-uniform Day Monday 4th December



Light the Advent candle one, now the waiting has begun. We have started on our way, time to think of Christmas day.

Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Daniela	Sosuna	Emily
Reception	April & Isla	Joshua & Charlie	Wynter & Kruz
Year One	Moyosola & Rosa	Cassius & Ethan	Linda & David S
Year Two	Mercyel & Michal	Amaya & Louis	Krystal & Wiktorja
Year Three	Grace E & Amayah	Zikora & Grace M	Lillain & Alisha
Year Four	Sana N & Dhian	Jasmine & Evelyn	Aiden & Helen
Year Five	Jacob & Joshua	Adil & Reese	Alan & Summer
Year Six	Carter & Maya	Oluwatimileyin & Eugenie	Solyana & Cleo



**Grace Thandiwe and
Juanita.**



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

*Amarachukwu, Joel,
Eliyam, Maya, Ocean,
Oluwatimileyin, Alex
and Pius.*



Snippets of news about
our School Parliament

Well done to our Liturgy Council for organising our Prayer Space competition. We had some super ideas that we intend to use. The winners in each class were; Chidiebube, Elidana, Sophie K, Zakariah, Rosa, Marnie, Aniyah, Daric-Rose, Sana N, Isabella, Eldana, Summer, Haniel, Oluwasikemi and Arsema B.

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: 95%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 95% Y1 Attendance = 97%
Y2 Attendance = 88% Y3 Attendance = 95%
Y4 Attendance = 97% Y5 Attendance = 97%
Y6 Attendance = 98%

Article of the Week



Article 23—Children with disabilities



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

