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Thought for the week:
'Don't be pushed around by the fears in your mind. Be led by the dreams in your heart'.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May 2024



For the formation of religious and seminarians
 We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Friday 17th May 2024

Dear Parents,

Year Y3/4 Mass

Many thanks to all the team in lower key-stage two for organising our mass today. It was lovely to see Fr Lennon who said mass for us in Fr Simon's absence. The children were a credit to the school. This Sunday we celebrate **Pentecost** which takes place on the 50th day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Mary, mother of Jesus and the Apostles of Jesus while they were in Jerusalem.

Y6 SATs

Well done to all our Year 6 pupils who arrived to school on time every day this week and worked hard on their tests. All the teachers and pupils have worked tirelessly up to this week and I hope they enjoy a more relaxed summer term leading up to their transition into Year 7. A great effort by everyone well done! The Y6 pupils enjoyed a fun day today —well deserved.

Reading Diet

We are really passionate about our '**Reading Diet**' in school. It is vital that every child learns to read and then fosters a love of reading for pleasure. We have mapped out how and when the children have opportunities throughout the school day to experience a range of reading. We also are launching our new initiative today. Mrs Heslegrave purchased a book vending machine before she left for her maternity leave. Every Friday one children from every year group will be awarded with a token to spend in the vending machine overseen by Mrs Hannon-Dalby. Pupils will choose a book of their choice and take it home forever. Please check out our Twitter feed every Friday to see who has been selected for this special prize.

Creative Curriculum

This week Years 1-6 began their final topic of the year. All overviews have been sent home. Please encourage the children to investigate further or explore deeper themes in their topics. We have some super trips and visits planned. Nursery are meeting the 'Animal Man' next Tuesday as part of their topic '**Mini Beasts and Farms**' and Year 6 will be visiting Alexander stadium on Tuesday for a tour as part of their '**Sporting History**' Topic.

SMVSC

Thank you to Mr Barton for organising our learning activities today. The children learned about Buddha; the concept to enlightenment, the four Nobel Truths, researched festivals such as Vesak and symbols such as the Lotus Flower and what they represent. Thank you to all the teachers for their input.

Term Dates 2024-2025

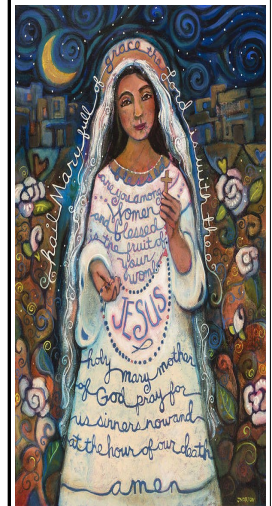
As stated in earlier newsletters we will be working the Birmingham City Council dates next academic year 2024-2025. Please find a copy of the dates attached for your reference for next year.

Other News

I am delighted to share with you that Mrs Heslegrave safely delivered her second daughter, Sophia on Monday this week. Both Mum and baby are doing well. Also Miss Winchurch leaves us today to commence her maternity leave and we look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of her first child in the coming weeks.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.

Mrs J Logue



Diary Dates

Final Swim Y5B
Wednesday 22nd
May

Y1/2 Mass in
Church on Friday
24th May at 9.15 am

Final Swim Y3T
Friday 24th May

May Birthdays non
uniform day Friday
24th May

Gospel Virtues



Eloquent

If you are eloquent, it means you can clearly express yourself. We want to be eloquent because we want to tell the world about our ideas, our questions and our beliefs.

Truthful

Being truthful is simply telling the truth. We should always be honest and sincere in what we say—even when we have done something wrong.

Assembly	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Khalil	Harper-Lily	Chidiebube
Reception	Brooke & Isla	Elodie & Kruz	Teninlanimi & Emmanuel
Year One	Joshua & Amara	Aria & Eliana	Yemariam & Tyquan
Year Two	Poppy & Adari	Rieon & Richelle	Ethan & Bella-Rose
Year Three	Grace E & Akiel	Lillian & Derick	Logan & Emmanuel
Year Four	Lamek & Jayden	Chizaram & Jenson	Skyler & Ariela
Year Five	Anashe & Joshua	Gloryanne & David C	Owen & Patrick
Year Six	Ryan & Adam	Carter & Jamel	Osei Amaniampong & Eugenie



**Milosz, Aaliyah, Eden B, Adari, Antoni, Max,
Darci-Rose, Adam S, Raena, Liliana,
Joel, Richard, Micaiah, Dominik, Cheryl,
Amelia D & Hope.**

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

Brae, Naomi, Hanna Z, Oscar F, Logan, Nicali, Darci-Rose, Zikora, Lamek B, Skylar Garr-Jenkison, Amarachukwu & Pius.



Snippets of news from our School Parliament

Mrs Coates and the ECO Team will be collecting for the foodbank on Tuesday 22nd May.

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 28 - A Right to an Education.**

Our overall attendance: 96%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 94% Y1 Attendance = 96%
Y2 Attendance = 97% Y3 Attendance = 97%
Y4 Attendance = 95% Y5 Attendance = 91%
Y6 Attendance = 100%

Article of the Week



Article 24—Mental Health Awareness Week



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

