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**Thought for the week:**

**“Pray, Fast, Give”**

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for March 2025**



**For vocations to the priesthood and religious life**

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood



The Catholic Jubilee Year of 2025, titled "Pilgrims of Hope", is a year of prayer, pilgrimage and reflection. The theme is an invitation to share the Christian faith and to rekindle hope in a world that is suffering.

Friday 14th March 2025

Dear Parents

As we journey through Lent, our school continues to be a hive of activity and spiritual growth. This week, we were blessed with a thought-provoking **Lenten assembly** led by Mr Barton, centring on the pillars of prayer, almsgiving, and fasting.

In keeping with our **Year of Hope**, we're encouraging our young pilgrims to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. This journey has been beautifully exemplified by our **Year 3** and **Year 4** pupils, who have taken the initiative to plan and lead their own **liturgies** this week. Their efforts are a testament to the depth of their spiritual engagement and their growing confidence in expressing their faith.

Our **Year 2** pupils had a marvellous time at **Baddesley Clinton** as part of their Flower Power topic. The children's enthusiasm as they explored the gardens was truly infectious, and it's wonderful to see their learning come alive outside the classroom.

In celebration of cultural diversity, our pupils have been learning about the vibrant festival of **Holi**. This exploration forms an important part of our SMSC curriculum, broadening our children's understanding of different traditions and fostering a spirit of inclusivity.

**British Science Week** has been a resounding success, thanks to the sterling efforts of our Science Lead, Miss Gibson. The exciting experiments she organised have ignited curiosity and wonder in our budding scientists. We're immensely proud of the engagement and enthusiasm shown by all our pupils during this special week.

I'd like to take a moment to acknowledge our young carers during **National Young Carers Week**. Your dedication and support for your parents on a daily basis is truly admirable.

Looking ahead, we have some important dates for your diaries. On Monday, 17th March, we'll be celebrating St Patrick's Day with our **Green Day**. We kindly ask for a £1 donation from each pupil for this event. Additionally, we've scheduled a **drop-in parents' evening** on Wednesday, 19th March, for those who couldn't attend our previous session. If you'd like to participate, please contact the school office to arrange a time.

As we celebrate these experiences, I'd like to gently remind everyone about the importance of regular **attendance**. Every day at school is an opportunity for growth, learning, and connection. Your support in ensuring your child's consistent presence is invaluable and greatly appreciated. Please ensure that your child arrives on time. The gates open promptly at 8.30am and close at 8.45am.

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

**Diary Dates**

- Year 6G and 6S Swimming**  
Wednesday 19th March
- Y5/6 School Mass**  
Friday 21st March  
in Church at 9.15am
- Green Day**  
Monday 17th March
- Drop in parents evening**  
3.15pm – 4.15pm  
Wednesday 19th March

**Gospel Virtues**



**Attentive**—to our experiences and can see where they will take us in our future vocations.  
**Discerning**—when we decide to do the right thing in the interest of the needs of others because we know the positive impact that will have on their lives.

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Essey	Amelia	Yostina
Reception	Tommy-Jack & Shekina	Leo & Arahbella	Matthew & Chester
Year One	Jemima & Liam	Aronas & Emmanuel	Noh & Isla
Year Two	Aaliyah & Ava-Mae	Natalia & Talia	Gabriel & Amara
Year Three	Indya & David A	Solyana & Maksymilian	Orla & Bella-Rose
Year Four	Jaxon & Hanna	Skyla & Grace E	Kaian & Efrata
Year Five	Victoria & Paris	Sana A & Divine	Mielahier & Enoch
Year Six	Nhyira, Adil & Joel	Siyena, Haniel & Eliyam	Owen, Emily-Grace & Joshua



**Leah-Maria, Sosuan B  
and Rieon.**



## Snippet of News

**The Parliament will be organising our usual events in the<sup>M</sup> build up to Easter;  
see our website on forthcoming events for dates.**

### 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 or a Deputy DSL 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: 97%**

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

EYFS Attendance = 97%    Y1 Attendance = 100%  
Y2 Attendance = 98%    Y3 Attendance = 93%  
Y4 Attendance = 97%    Y5 Attendance = 94%  
Y6 Attendance = 98%

**Congratulations to 1J and 6BM on their 100% attendance this week!**

Article of the Week



Article 42— Knowledge of Rights



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

