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Thought for the week:
'Be yourself everyone else is already taken.'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May 2023



For church movements and groups
 We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents,

Year 2 Mass

Thank you to Miss Mochan and Miss Pritchard for preparing the children for mass today. The theme of the mass was about St Phillip Neri who was a Christian missionary and founder of the Oratory, a community of Catholic priests and lay brothers. The theme of discipleship continues following the ascension of Jesus into Heaven. St Phillip was known as the second Apostle of Rome after St Peter.

SATs (Statutory Assessment Tests)

Congratulations to all our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils who have completed their SATs tests during the month of May. Well done! The results will be shared with parents along with their end of year school report in July.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend on Monday and Tuesday this week. I am delighted that you all got to see the wonderful progression your children have made across the year. The teachers were really pleased with the turnout and we enjoyed seeing everyone in school. I will arrange a drop in during the month of June for anyone who could not attend and a reminder that Miss McInerney's parents evening will be rearranged also.

Y4 Black Country Museum

Thank you to Mr Barton and the Y4 team for organising and overseeing their trip to the Black Country Museum. Everyone had a super day. The weather was excellent and they thoroughly enjoyed learning about the history of 'Birmingham' which is the topic they are currently studying. The living museum is famous for exhibiting rebuilt historical buildings from Dudley, and the West Midlands.

Phonics and Times Table Screening Checks

During the month of June pupils in Year 1 undertake a phonic screening check, some pupils in Y2 retake the check and all pupils in Y4 undertake a Times Tables check. It is important that all pupils are in school every day, particularly in these year groups, to enable the screenings to take place. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact school.

Year 3 Swimming

Year 3P completed their swimming sessions this week. Well done to all the pupils for their achievement. Mrs Williams, our PE Lead will be organising badges for the all the children to take home after the school break.

Y1 Class Assembly

Thank you to Miss Winchurch and Mrs Jones for supporting Y1 with their class assembly today. It was great to see so many visitors join us. The children were articulate and well prepared, a super assembly! We heard all about the exciting topics they have studied this year from *Transport, Homes and Toys, Seasons and Settlements, Paddington* and their current topic of *Animals and Aquatics*. Everybody played a part and all the children could retrieve information, share knowledge and discuss skills they have acquired across the year.

Forthcoming Trips

Reception are off to visit Ash End House Farm in June as part of their learning about animals and habitats.

Sacramental Dates for Year 3 Parents

A reminder that Holy Communion for Y3P is on Saturday 17th June at 11.00 am and Y3T Saturday 24th June at 11.00 am. Mrs Hannon-Dalby will be writing to parents about the workshops prior to these dates that we ask parents to attend.

Dinner Money Debts

Please could I ask that parents check their parent pay accounts. We regularly send out letters and texts to inform you that there is a bill outstanding. I would be grateful if you could clear any outstanding balances at your earliest convenience, or begin to pay a weekly contribution between now and the end of term to clear the debt. Many thanks in advance.

Academic Term Dates

Please find attached the academic term dates for next year 2023-2024. **Can I urge that parents avoid taking holidays in term time as absences can affect learning and progression.**

I look forward to welcoming all the pupils back to school on Monday 5th June. Hope you all enjoy the break.

Please pray for all our pupils and especially for the Chinyere and Saunders families.

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

Prayer of the Month
Hail Mary



Diary Dates

After school clubs:

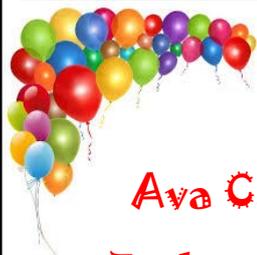
- Monday Y3/Y6**
- Tuesday Y2/Y4**
- Thursday Y1/3/5**
- Y3T Swimming on Tuesday 6th June**
- Final Swim for Y4M Wednesday 7th June**
- Y5 & Y6 School mass on Friday 9th June 9.15 in church**

Learning Corner



We ask Mary to intercede for us as we pray the Rosary.

Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Maths Star
Nursery	Reighn	Masha	Aria-Rose
Reception	Molly-Ava & George	Zakariah & Annabel	Linda & Juanita
Year One	Rieon & Richelle	Orla & Jaime	Krystal & Grayson
Year Two	Bobby & Tymon	Oscar & Tyanah	Maisie & Toby
Year Three	Lily-May & Aiden	Xavier & Olivia	Daniel & Jasmine
Year Four	Chidubem & Neeve	Reegan & Liliana	Reese & Haniel
Year Five	Adam & Nancy	Kyle & Ruby	Arsema & Leila M
Year Six	Aayat & Nevaeh	Iqra & Nieshawn	Richard & Ymad



**Ava C, Jessica M, Sophie K, Ethan W,
Joshua R, Ruth, Richelle, Frida, Antony
B, Eijah, Oscar W and Tyra.**



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

Akiel, Isla, Lillian, Sinon, Skyler, Tyanah, Zikora, Max, Tyanah, Vienna, Ajax, Valentina, Chimamanda & Amara.



Snippets of news from our School Parliament

Thank you to the School Council and Miss McCarron for organising our Food bank collection today. You are all very generous, many thanks for your support.

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: 94%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 95% Y1 Attendance = 96%
Y2 Attendance = 93% Y3 Attendance = 93%
Y4 Attendance = 96% Y5 Attendance = 89%
Y6 Attendance = 96%

Article of the Week



Article 29 - Goals of Education



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

