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## Week beginning Monday May 17th 2021 Thought for the week:

"Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it"

Dear Parents,

**First Holy Communion 2021.** Congratulations to Rozalia, Emma, Brodie Leigh, Natalie and Pru who all made their First Holy Communion today. They have had to wait an awful long time as they are all nearing the end of Y4. To each of them I offer my congratulations and to their families I thank you all for your *patience and understanding*. Thanks must also go to Mr Barton for his input and Father Simon for his contribution. I look forward to the next group of Y4 children who will receive Jesus for the first time next week.

**Reception 2021.** The final places have now been offered to our new families for next September. I am delighted to report once more that school is full to capacity. This time of year can be an anxious time for many families and I am particularly pleased that St Margaret Marys has so many siblings and children who attended Nursery joining our Reception next year. Mrs Logue will write to all the relevant families in the near future about how the children will be inducted into school in September. If anyone still needs to talk about the school they have been offered please don't hesitate to contact me.

<u>Nursery 2021.</u> Similarly, all the Nursery places have now been notified and our newest families will be written to shortly to discuss how Nursery will start school in September. Again, if anyone still needs a full time place or just wants to chat about anything at all about starting school then please contact the school office.

**Perry Common Meadows.** Work is now more or less complete in the redesign and upgrade of the park adjacent to school. An awful lot of time and effort has gone into improving the local environment for all of us to enjoy. The area looks so much better than it did only three or four years ago and I hope that, it can used by all of us safely for many years to come. The car park has been significantly improved and the pathways have been developed to give the school and local resident's easier access. New perimeter fencing is to be erected in the summer holidays with new school gates for Early Years and Y1-Y6. This will not only add to the security at school but it will also be more in keeping with the surroundings.



The regeneration of the entire area has been enormous; many people have invested a lot of time and effort to make Perry Common Meadows a better place for everyone to share and use.

<u>"All Day Breakfast" Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup>.</u> Mrs Hawthorn the school cook has asked me to promote our special "All Day Breakfast" next Thursday. Bacon, Sausage, Beans, Hash Browns, Omelette and Toast will all be on the menu. Please consider having an "all day breakfast" next Thursday at only £2:25 it represents excellent value. Please contact the school office if you want a hot meal next week.

<u>School Gates.</u> The school gates will close promptly at 8:45am. They open at 8:30 am please do your utmost to be as punctual as possible.

**Dogs on leads.** Please can I ask that if you have to bring your dog up to school at home time that it be kept securely on a lead. Some children can be frightened and upset if they see a dog running around excitedly in the park. Thank you for your support with this.

<u>Summer Term.</u> School will close for the Whit holiday on Friday May 28<sup>th</sup>, reopening on Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>. The school year ends at 1:00pm on Friday July 16<sup>th</sup>. A reminder that school will be closed on Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> for teacher training.

Year Group	% Attendance
Rec M	98%
Rec R	93%
Y1J	97%
Y1P	97%
Y2H	99%
Y2M	99%
Y3A	94%
Y3P	99%
Y4B	99%
Y4C	97%
Y5M	99%
Y5Y	99%
Y6M	91%
Y6Mc	99%
Weekly Average	97%

## Attendance for the week ending May 14th 2021

<u>Please Pray For.</u> The children making their First Holy Communion.

Finally, the local authority has informed school that FSM vouchers will be available to those eligible over the upcoming half term holiday. I will contact all those concerned at some stage next week.

Many thanks for your support and cooperation with all these matters.

M Aldred. Head teacher.

