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Thought for the week:
'Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations.'

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for September 2021



An Environmentally Sustainable Life

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Friday 10th September

Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to all our pupils and families. We have now inducted our new intake into Nursery and Reception and they have all settled in very well. I am looking forward to working with all pupils and families this academic year. School feels and looks vibrant, it is lovely to see the children's work lining the walls for the start of their new year in their new class/year group. The children all look very smart in their uniform. Thank you for your support with our uniform policies. A reminder that all pupils need a PE kit in school. Also, black shoes (no trainers) are to be worn by all pupils and we ask that pupils do not wear jewellery.

Covid-19

It is great to feel that we are getting back to some sort of 'normal'. We continue to be vigilant in our daily handwashing and respiration hygiene. Parents can continue to read guidance for schools on the Department for Education website.

Healthy Snacks

We are proud to have the **Healthy School Award** and I am grateful for your continued support in sending in only healthy snack options for playtimes. EYFS and KS1 have fruit provided daily. Could I ask that any snacks sent in are healthy.

PSHE day

On Monday the children enjoyed their first PSHE day focusing on the theme '*Being me in my World*'. Thank you to Miss Winchurch for organising this event, it was lovely to see work shared on Twitter.

Mass and class awards

Today Y5 held their first mass of the academic year in Church. It was lovely to be back at mass with the pupils and I look forward to sharing many more in the future. Thank you to our parents that joined us today.

Every Friday class teachers will be rewarding a child in their class for *good work*, *achievement* and displaying qualities of our *gospel virtues*.

Well done to all the pupils who have been awarded this week! Keep up the good work!

Wednesday Word

Thank you to Mr Barton for sending home the Wednesday Word this week. This enables us to prepare and share the messages of Sunday's Gospel with parents and families.

Swimming

Y6M will commence swimming from next Wednesday. Please ensure that they have a towel and appropriate attire. Mr Mulligan's class will swim up to half term and then Miss McCarron's class will partake in swimming during Autumn 2.

School clubs

These begin next Monday for Y1-Y6, please make sure school has received the consent slip for the relevant club. The children will remain at school till 4.00 pm and be dismissed by their teacher at the end of club on the Main Playground at the usual gate and in the same way as regular home time routines.

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

Prayer of the Week

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, rule and guide.

Amen



Diary Dates

Sunday 12th
 September 2021 EYFS
 Welcome Mass in church at 9.30 am.

St Edmund Campion are holding an open evening for Y6 parents on 21st September. Mr Grant Headteacher will be giving talks at 6.30 and 7.30 pm. Please see their website for further details.

Learning Corner

Handwriting is a priority on our school improvement plan this year. School facilitate the Nelson Handwriting scheme.

Parents and pupils can find lots of activities to support this scheme online.

Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Achievement	Good Work
Nursery	Mmesoma	Rogue	Robert
Reception	Ruth & David	Romy & Grayson	Maksymillion & Louis
Year One	Maisie & Xavier	Zikora & Eldana	Bobby & Vienna
Year Two	Raeena & Elyon	Ta'Jae & Jayden	Ellena & James
Year Three	Mary & Mia	Kacper G & David C	Yocabel & Siyena
Year Four	Timmi & Eugenie	Hope & Amelia	Carter & Jamel
Year Five	Neveah & Pru	Meghan & Emma	Zion & Chimamanda
Year Six	Michal R and Maja	Olivia & Zoe	Adnan & Lul



Mia M, Naomi T, Elyon, Mia B, Keira, Ava-Grace,

Adel, Sophie H, Brodie-Leigh and Amarachi



Snippets of News from our
School Parliament

The pupils in Year 5 and 6 have been asked to consider which role on the Parliament they would like to undertake.

We are looking forward to all the activities that they will oversee this term. There will be a leader for each group in the Parliament and we will share with you more details next week.

Attendance for this week is:

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 : 97%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 96% Y1 Attendance = 99%
 Y2 Attendance = 97% Y3 Attendance = 99%
 Y4 Attendance = 94% Y5 Attendance = 97%
 Y6 Attendance = 96%

Article of the Week



Article 12—Respect for the views of the child.



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

