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Thought for the week:

'Someday is not a day of the week.'

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The Pope's Monthly Intentions for September 2022



Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

Friday 23rd September 2022

Dear Parents

Y5/6 Mass

Thank you to Miss McCarron, Mrs Young, Mrs Coates and Miss Gibson for overseeing and preparing our children for mass today. Please be aware that there is no mass next Friday morning.

Parents Evening

Thank you for sending in your slips back to school. Appointments are allotted on a first come first served basis. We are looking forward to welcoming all our parents into school to meet with the class teachers. If for any reason you are unable to attend please inform the school office.

Year 7 Applications 2022-2023

As you are aware, if you are a parent of a pupil in Year 6 you have until 31st October 2022 to complete your school applications. I am holding a meeting for any parents who need advice or assistance completing forms in school on Monday 26th September at 1.30 pm. Fr Simon has also asked to inform parents that he will be only be available up to and including 21st October for completing and signing any Certificates of Catholic Practice. If you require his assistance please contact him as soon as possible.

School Trips

Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed their outing to Packwood House this week as part of their study of gardens. There are some lovely pictures of the trip on our Twitter feed, please follow us and keep on eye on all the activities that take place throughout the school week. Also Y6 enjoyed a visit to St Chad's Cathedral in preparation for their Confirmation. They had a tour of the Cathedral and participated in a mass, they were great ambassadors for our school and we received some lovely compliments from our hosts about how polite and well behaved all the children were. Well done to our Y3 and Y6 pupils.

Professor McGinty Visit

Yesterday Y4 and Y5 were visited by our friend the Time Traveller Professor McGinty. He took Y5 back in time to visit the Battle of Britain era, and Y4 visited the Viking age. The children thoroughly enjoy these annual visits that bring the topics they are studying to life. Please look at our Twitter feed to see all the fun they had.

Thank you for sending your child into school on their designated PE day. A polite reminder leggings/joggers should be worn (no shorts or skorts please). Children should come to school in their school shoes and have their PE pumps in their bags to change into for the lesson. After their PE lesson they will change their footwear and should remain in shoes for the rest of the day. Many thanks for your support.

<u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u>
The pupils in Year 6 are preparing themselves this term for Confirmation. This will take place on Monday 21st November at 7.00 pm in Church with Bishop David. Letters about workshops for parents will be sent out next week.

Building Project in School for Autumn Term 2022

The Governors and I are excited to announce that we will be creating a new learning space in school. The Caretaker's house adjacent to school will become our School Library. Work on this project will commence next week. We are hoping that the project will be complete by December. Please take care when walking or driving up the school drive from next week as work will be taking place in the upper car park. Many thanks in advance for your support.

<u>Google Classroom</u>
At last we have managed to iron out the glitches in our Google Classroom provision. Thank you to Mrs Coates for solving this problem. We will send codes out to parents today. Google Classroom homework will begin on Monday 26th September. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.

Prayer of the Month:





Diary Dates

No swimming for Y6Mc next week as they are on a trip.

> Y6 out at Council House visit on Wednesday 28th September.

September Birthdaysanyone with a birthday in September may wear their own clothes to school on Thursday 29th

Learning Corner



Create a poem for Autumn time.

What does it mean to be compassionate and loving? Research our

Assembly Awards:	Gospel Virtues	Good Work	Achievement
Nursery	Liam	Masha	Zuzanna
Reception	Mmesoma & Mervyn	Amelia & Emerson	Mikael & Tyquan
Year One	Michael H & Mia	Amaya & Adari	Krystal & Bella-Rose
Year Two	Nicai & Tyanah	Grace. H & Aarieya	Naomi & Sinon
Year Three	Elyon & Paris	Fabian & Mukt	Oliver & Roman
Year Four	Olivia & Damon	Kacper & Grace	Blossom-Anne & Leo
Year Five	Jayden & Eliza	Maya & Leila M	Tiana & Adiam
Year Six	Caiden & Nevaeh	Yat Kit & Maksym	Valentina G & Gabriela



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

Meghan, Brodie, Sesuna,
Zara, Leila, Ocean, Ruby,
Sophie, Beulah, Ugonna,
Jordan, Chimamanda



Snippets of news about our School Parliament

Thank you to our Miss McCarron and our School Council for holding our first collection. The foodbank is located in Church and we are very grateful for the donations you make to support our community and pupils in overseeing this project.

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 UNICEE's Article 20. A Bight to an

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Our overall attendance: 96%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 96% Y1 Attendance = 95%
Y2 Attendance = 93% Y3 Attendance = 94%
Y4 Attendance = 100% Y5 Attendance = 99%

Y6 Attendance = 93%

Education.

Article of the Week

Article 4 – Making Rights Happen

Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days] Odays absence 10 days absence 10 days absence 175 days non term days Alt this time for shopping, holidays, appointments etc... 20 days absence 38 days absence 20 days absence 38 days absence 38 days absence 39 days absence 20 days absence 38 days absence 39 days absence 47 days absence 47 days absence 75 days absence 47 days absence 67 days absence 67 days absence 75 days absence 75 days absence 67 days absence 75 days ab

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