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Thought for the week:

“Make your vocation your vacation. That is the secret to success”



For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Friday 3rd July 2026

Prayer for
Vocations

O God, hear our prayer
 and let our cry come to You.
 Bless the Diocese of Grand Rapids
 with many vocations to the
 priesthood, diaconate,
 and religious life.

Give Your sons and daughters
 the confidence to accept Your call,
 and the love to follow always
 in the footsteps of Your beloved Son
 with courage and dedication
 to Your will.

Amen.

Diary Dates


Wednesday 8th July
Y1/4 mass in Church
9.15 am

3Mc/5T Swimming
Wednesday 8th July

No after school clubs
for the remainder of
the term.

Summer Fayre
Friday 10th July 3 pm
onwards Entry £1.00
per person

Gospel Virtues



Attentive: when we listen to our calling from **God** to love and serve one another in all that we do.

Discerning: We are 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.

Dear Parents

First, I must extend my heartfelt thanks to the **Year One** team for organising and overseeing our trip to the **Nature Reserve** this week. The children had a truly great time investigating **animals** as part of their **learning topic** this term. These experiences outside the classroom are so valuable in bringing learning to life, and it was lovely to see the pupils so **engaged** and **curious**.

We also celebrated the very special feast of **Saints Peter and Paul** this week – two pivotal **Saints** who serve as excellent **role models** to us all. **Saint Peter**, a **fisherman** from Galilee and one of Jesus' closest **disciples**, was given the nickname "**the rock**" by Jesus and became the **first Pope**. **Saint Paul's** story is equally inspiring; originally named Saul, he experienced a powerful, **life-changing** vision that **transformed** his path. He **travelled** all over the Mediterranean teaching people about **Christianity** and wrote many books of the **Bible**. Their **dedication** and **faith** continue to inspire us.

This has been a significant week for **transition**. **Compass** visited school to work with our **Year Six** pupils on their move to secondary school, and our pupils also enjoyed their visits to **Year Seven**. We are immensely **proud** of how ready and confident they are as they embark on the next chapter of their journey. Meanwhile, all our pupils from **Nursery** to **Year Five** enjoyed their '**moving up**' day on Wednesday. It was delightful to see the **new teachers** meeting their classes and familiarising themselves with their new learning environments.

In other updates, **Reception** had their **eye tests** yesterday. Should any pupils have been absent, our school nursing team will be in contact to reschedule their appointments.

We have also held our **final brass** lesson for the year. I would like to remind parents and carers that all **instruments** must be **returned** to school before **17th July**, as the music service will need to audit the equipment.

As we look ahead, we face another spell of **hot weather**. We were immensely proud of our pupils' and staff's **resilience** last week, and we will continue to keep the school and children as **cool** as possible. We will continue to **relax the uniform policy** – children may wear **shorts and t-shirts, though not trainers** – cold drinks will be provided on the hour, and if we deem it too hot to play outside, we will remain indoors.

Traditionally **SATs results** for **Year 6** are returned to schools at the beginning of July to allow us to inform you of results in school reports. The **DfE** have **announced a delay** with the results this year. We will send them out on **Friday 17th July** with pupils.

Finally, we have sent out times for our **Sports Days**, which will take place in the final week, alongside our **Vocations week**.

We also intend to invite parents in for a **book look** in the last week, enabling you to celebrate your child's work and take books home at the end of the year.

Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs J Logue

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Jack	Krish	Abiodun
Reception	Avital & Eden-Ivy	Tiwaloluwa & Logan	Lucas M & Yostina
Year One	Tommy & Tisha	Ericah & Natan	Avia & Harper-Lily
Year Two	Elodie & Liam	Zuzanna G & Efrata	Aronas & Emmanuel
Year Three	Aaliyah & David O	Nancy-Lou & Tyquan	Natalia & Arsema
Year Four	Israel & Jotham	Siena & Michael	Bella-Rose & Krystal
Year Five	Adele & Aarieya	Julian & Laura	Adam & Kaian
Year Six	Helen & Frida	Ariela & Mielahier	Marcel & RitaJoah



**Joah, Xavier T
and Daberechukwu.**



Snippet of News

A huge thank you to our parents for all the chocolate donated this week!

Well done to the school Parliament for organising our Penalty shoot out we raised £198.00

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: 95%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 95% Y1 Attendance = 91%
 Y2 Attendance = 99% Y3 Attendance = 96%
 Y4 Attendance = 96% Y5 Attendance = 95%
 Y6 Attendance = 96%

Article of the Week



Article 41—Respect for higher national standards



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

