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*'Live together, pray together, learn together
and grow together in Christ'*

On Sunday we celebrated the feast of Candlemas a midpoint between Christmas and Easter. The days are lengthening and we gave praise for Jesus the Light of the World.

'Jesus, you are the light of the world.
May we live our lives as you taught, so
That your light will shine through us in
All we think and say and do. Amen'

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

'To live with Jesus is to live with the poor. To live with the poor is to live with Jesus'
Jean Vanier (philosopher and theologian.)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Masses/Assemblies - Parents are welcome to attend

Wednesday 5th February: 10.00 Y5 to attend Parish Mass

Friday 7th February: 2.00pm Y2 class assembly

Sunday 9th February: 10.00am Youth Mass followed by sacramental preparation in St Patrick's School

Friday 14th February: 2.00pm Show and tell assembly about World Faith week

Wednesday 26th February: 10.00am KS2 to attend Mass for Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 26th February: 1.15pm - KS1 and EYFS to attend Ash Wednesday liturgy in school hall

Sunday 8th March: 10.00am Youth Mass followed by sacramental preparation in St Patrick's School

Other Dates

Half term Break: Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February.

Children return to school on Monday 24th February.

Wednesday 12th February: Spring Term Parents' Evening 3.30-7.00pm

10th - 14th February: World Faith Week: Islam

Tuesday 11th February: pm Percussion workshops in the school hall

Thursday 13th February: 9.00-10.00am - Stay and Play in St Edmund's House

Thursday 13th February: Valentine's Disco 3.15-4.30 KS1 and EYFS, 4.30-6.00pm KS2 Disco

Friday 14th February: PM Y1 trip to Symphony Hall

Friday 28th February: St David's House celebration pm

Friday 6th March: WORLD BOOK DAY

9th - 13th March - Attendance and Punctuality focus week 2

Tuesday 10th March: 9.15am: Nursery INSPIRE workshop

Wednesday 11th March: 2.00pm Y2 ISNPIRE workshop

Friday 20th March is now booked as a Teacher Training Day

THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS ON THIS DAY.

MAY BANK HOLIDAY -

A reminder that this has been changed by our Government to FRIDAY 8th MAY
So school will be closed to all pupils on this day.

100% ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Congratulations to the following children who achieved 100% ATTENDANCE and were NOT LATE during JANUARY 2020:

Rec: Laura, Meri, Charis, Zofia, Mawuena, Areilla and Saron

Year 1: Elliot, Maili, Jaheim, Maksymilian, Xareon, Jabez, Mikel, Kwaku, Adam, Enock and Prisella.

Year 2: Musthapha, Edwin, Marcelina, Amen, Meron, Lexa, Jayden, Isaiah, Theon, Amelia, Leanna, Anointing, Elijah, Akim and Joshua.

Year 3: Lydia, Meron, Cheryl, Ebunoluwa, Kian, Senay, Sarah, Lorenzo, Nurat, Nathan, Amelia, Genesis, Dominik, Zian-Amyi, Blessing, Mia and Antoni

Year 4: Eyob, Ireoluwa, Marco, Favour, Jayden, Rokšana, Aaron, Faith, Aiden, Dylan, Wiktor, Aleksandra, Annael, Juliet, Star, Joshua, Shumirai, Omar and Kevin

Year 5: Hyab, T'Khyzah, Elijah H M, Billal, Edward, Habeeb, Shanaya, Bradley, Michelle, Paul, Daniel, Jake, Kaja, Benjamin, Mateusz and Lois

Year 6: Raul, Antoni, Lewis, Nathan, Nevaeh, Reginald, Jaiden, Leiara-Niae, Karl, Maria, Levi, Dima, Sienna, Shane and Lourdes

Class of the Month: January: Attendance		Class of the Month: January: Punctuality	
Y5	98.25%	Y4	1.58%



MARVELLOUS ME

Thank you to all our parents who have so far signed up to the Marvellous me app. This is a wonderful way that we can share good news with you about your child's achievements.

If you have not yet accessed this app, please come and see Miss McCalla in the office for instructions about downloading it and your child's individual code.

Thinking of our environment we will now be using Marvellous Me to send out our newsletter each month.

INSPIRE WORKSHOP DATES

This term our focus will be on R.E. Lots to learn! Our INSPIRE workshops start at 9.15am or 2.00pm.

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible. Please put these dates in your diary.

Nursery: Tuesday 10th March 9.15am

Reception: Thursday 26th March 2-3pm

Year 1: Monday 23rd March 2-3pm

Year 2: Wednesday 11th March 2-3pm

Year 3: Thursday 12th March 2-3pm

Year 4: Tuesday 13th March 9.15am

Year 5: Tuesday 24th March 2-3pm

Year 6: Wednesday 25th March 2-3pm

SPRING TERM PARENT'S EVENING

Parent's Evening for this term is on Wednesday 12th February. Children are bringing home a letter today so that you can book your appointment. This is our midyear point so is a good time to check up on how well your child is learning against their targets for this year.

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

This year has been set aside by the Bishops of England and Wales as a year to focus on reading the Bible. We will be taking part in a number of events as the year progresses. The first one being...

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Friday 7th March we celebrate World Book Day. Following on from our focus on the Bible we are asking all of our pupils to come to school dressed as a character from the Bible. We would like them to know some information about that character to share with their class. If you

wish your child to take part, we would appreciate a donation of £1 or more which will go to Book Aid International to support children who have little or no access to books. On this day each child will receive their £1 World Book Day voucher.

SCHOOL BOOK FAIR:

This will take place in the school hall each evening after school from Monday 16th March. The pupils will be able to spend their book tokens from World book day on books at the fair.

SCHOOL SHOES

A reminder to parents - trainers

OR boots are not part of school uniform.

Children should be wearing sensible school shoes. Girls are NOT ALLOWED to wear over the ankle boots as we have had incidents of girls falling and hurting themselves. During wintery weather boots can be worn to School but parents need to provide a suitable pair of indoor shoes for children to change into. If there is a problem regarding shoes, please contact the school.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property since the beginning of term. This will be displayed at Parents' Evening on Wednesday 12th February to give parents a chance to reclaim any of their child's missing clothing/items. After this date it will be disposed of as we simply cannot store this amount of unclaimed property. If you want to come in before this date, then please come in *after school* and ask a member of staff to show you where the lost property is kept.

SWIMMING

Years 4 and 5 will be swimming after half-term until the Easter holiday. Children need a swimming kit (one-piece costume for girls, no below the knee trunks for boys) and a towel. The school places great importance on the teaching of swimming and only illness (or other medical reasons) will be accepted as a reason for missing swimming lessons. A phone call or written note must be sent



in to warrant a child missing their swimming lesson.

WINTER CLOTHES

It is good to see most of the children wrapped up with coats, scarves and gloves as our playground is very exposed in cold weather.

Please make sure items are named! Quite a few children have the same or very similar coats and this causes a problem when coats are not labelled. Also we understand that in poor weather the children may wear wellingtons or other types of boots but please provide a pair of shoes to change into at school as wellies and boots are not suitable to wear around school all day and are causing children to trip over.

PARKING

When you drop off and collect your children from school please do not park your car on the double yellow lines or outside school gates and especially do **not park outside surrounding neighbours drives.**

We have had several complaints from neighbours about the parking.

CLOTHING

Please could you make sure you check your child's clothing when they come home at the end of each day to make sure they have not mistakenly picked up clothing that is not theirs'. It is also a good idea to label your child's clothing with their name and year.

SPORTS

Team List 5 a side Football @ PFA 16th January 2020

Raul Yr6, Karl Yr6, Levi Yr6, Nathan D Yr6, Hyab Yr5, Ranveer Yr5 Reggie Yr6

Advanced to Finals Competition

Team List 5 a side Football @ PFA 23rd January 2020

Daniella Yr6, Sienna Yr6, Krystalia Yr6, Michelle Yr5, Phillipa Yr5, Annael Yr4, Aleksandra Yr4

Advanced to Finals Competition

**Team List 5 a side Football @ PFA 30th January 2020
Boys and Girls Finals**

Elijah H-M Yr5, Levi Yr6, Raul B Yr6, Karl Yr6, Reggie Yr6, Ranveer Yr5, **Lost in the Semi- Finals**
Daniella Yr6, Sienna Yr6, Krystalia Yr6, Michelle Yr5, Phillipa Yr5, Annael Yr4, Aleksandra Yr4 **Lost during Group Stages**

Well done to all that took part. An outstanding achievement.

VALENTINES DISCO

On Thursday 13th February we will be celebrating Valentine's day with a whole school disco. Foundation and KS1 disco will start at 3.15pm and finish at 4.30pm; KS2 disco starts at 4.30pm and finishes at 6.00pm.

Tickets for the disco are being sold in the school office for £1.

END OF DAY ARRANGEMENTS

If there is somebody we do not know collecting your child, please make sure that you contact the school office by 2.30pm and let us know the person's name otherwise we will not let them go.