

## Attendance

Whole school attendance  
(23-09-19 to 27-09-19)

| Year | %   |
|------|-----|
| 1    | 91% |
| 2    | 99% |
| 3    | 97% |
| 4    | 96% |
| 5    | 96% |
| 6    | 94% |

### What's your attendance grade?

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| A = 100% Excellent    |  |
| B = 98% Very good     |  |
| C = 95% Good          |  |
| D = 92% Satisfactory  |  |
| E = 90% Below Average |  |
| F = 85% Poor          |  |
| E = 80% Unacceptable  |  |

### Congratulations to Year 2, with 99% Attendance

Attendance from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> for Key Stage 1 and 2 is 95%

School Attendance from 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept to 27<sup>th</sup> Sept for Key Stage 1 and 2 is 96%

Please ensure your child attends school unless they are too unwell to do so.

All children should be in school by 8.55am at the latest.



Alive in Jesus

## THE MESSENGER

### CATHOLIC LIFE



#### Extraordinary Missionary Month

To commemorate this anniversary, Pope Francis has declared October 2019 to be an **Extraordinary Month of Mission**. This special **month** of prayer and action calls us all to renew our missionary commitment. We are called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all peoples



*Diocesan Prayer  
for the Extraordinary Missionary Month*



Lord Jesus Christ,  
you commissioned your apostles  
to "Go and make disciples of all nations."  
You remind us that, through our Baptism,  
we all share in this mission of the Church.

As we follow the example of those saints  
who have brought your Gospel to us,  
empower us with the gifts we need  
to be sent into the world,  
bringing your saving love and mercy  
to all we meet.

Who live and reign  
with the Father and the Holy Spirit  
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of the World: Pray for us.

St. Gregory: Pray for us.

St. Augustine: Pray for us.

St. Chad: Pray for us.

Bl. Dominic Barberi: Pray for us.

Bl. John Henry Newman: Pray for us.

# CAFOD

Harvest Fast Day is fast approaching on Friday 4th October. Today, as you read this letter, millions of families around the world are living in extreme poverty. Families do not have enough food and children miss out on school and on achieving their dreams. Your support is helping to change this. Acting for you, CAFOD has worked alongside the poorest communities in El Salvador for more than 40 years. With long-term support from our partners, families are escaping poverty and transforming their communities. There have been huge improvements, but with one in ten people in the world still living in extreme poverty, there is so much more to do. That's why we are asking you to Brighten Up this Harvest to help build a brighter world free from poverty. We are having our very own food collection which will be displayed in our entrance area. If you have any spare tins, packets or dried food please could you send it in with your child for our collection. We pray for all those less fortunate than ourselves and ask that the Lord make us truly grateful for all we have and generous with our time in service to others. Amen

*A word from Pope Francis "Let's not forget to trust in the Lord; this is the key to success in life."*

## New Website

Our new school website is up and running! We are hoping that this will enable us to share more of your children's wonderful work with you and aid communication between home and school. There is now a direct link to Parent Pay as well as an online calendar of events. Please do log on to have a look

<https://www.stpaulrc.bham.sch.uk/>



## Nursery Places

**Have you got a child who has turned 3 since September?** If so they will be entitled to a place in our Nursery. Our next round of admissions will be January. Please contact the school office and provide them with your details so that we can arrange home visits this term.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have a small amount of spare uniform in school. If you are struggling to buy uniform for your child please see Ms Clarke in confidence who may be able to supply you with some.



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

These clubs are now being run externally. E-mails have been sent out with details of how to book a place for your child, information was also sent by text. If you would like paper copies of any external club letters, or a bar code letter for Parent Pay, please contact the school office. In order to secure a place all clubs must be pre-paid and pre booked in advance.

## TEACHER TRAINING DAY

Please remember that school will be closed to children on Wednesday 9th October.



## HAVE YOU GOT A SPARE FEW HOURS?

Sadly, our beautiful Prayer Garden is looking a little tired and in need of some TLC. Have you or do you know anybody who may have a spare few hours to come along and cut back some brambles, weed the bedding plants and perhaps plant some new blubs? Tea and biscuits will be given in return! Please see the school office if you feel that you can help. Many thanks.



## Aldi Stickers for Schools



Do you shop in Aldi? We are taking part in the Aldi Kit for School's Challenge. Help us to complete our challenge and receive an exclusive sports kit for our school plus a chance to win £20,000. Taking part is very simple. For every £30.00 you spend in Aldi you will receive a sticker. If we collect 300 stickers we can apply for the free kit and enter the competition. Please help us collect 300 stickers. Stickers should be handed into the front office. Thank you for your support.



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### TREATS FOR BIRTHDAYS

We are seeing an increasing amount of cakes being sent into school to celebrate children's birthdays. Thank you for your lovely generosity. However, for health and safety reasons can we ask that you only send in small packets of sweets or individually wrapped cakes. Please do not send in whole cakes to be cut up and remember we are a **NUT FREE** school.

Thank you for your continued support with this.



Please remember from this Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September, breakfast and after school club must be booked and paid for in advance via ParentPay. Please see the school office if you have any issues accessing ParentPay. Please also remember, children must be signed in for breakfast club by an adult.



## Snack Time

A gentle reminder that KS2 children can only bring in **fresh** fruit or vegetables for their morning snack. Cereal bars are not allowed.



## HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

It is lovely to see all the wonderful healthy lunches children bring to school each day. However, we are noticing that there are some children bringing in lots of unhealthy food and some containing nuts. Please ensure children have a healthy lunchbox and just one treat. We also encourage water only.



**Well done to St Paul's for competing in the Football Tournament on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September. We played fantastically well and scored some beautiful goals! We also won a trophy for the team that displayed the most sportsmanship throughout the tournament. What an amazing achievement!!!**



## SATs Companion Year 6

In Year 6 we have launched SATs Companion- an app which helps your child to revise and prepare for their KS2 SATs test. SATs companion is also being used as a Y6 homework tool and the children will complete homework tasks which will consolidate the work they have been taught in class. During school holidays the children will be set SAT papers which they can attempt up to three times. Each Friday your child will be set tasks for Reading, GPS and Maths to be completed by the following Friday.

Your child's password and username will be sent home on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

# SATS Companion

## Mirodo: Years 3,4,5

In Year 3,4,5 we have launched Mirodo- an online app which helps your child consolidate what they have learned during the week in class. The class teacher will assign homework on Friday and this should be completed online by the following Friday.

Your child's password and username will be sent home on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

# Mirodo

## **VIRTUES**

The following children were chosen for demonstrating the virtues of **Generous** and **Grateful**

|           |         |           |       |           |         |
|-----------|---------|-----------|-------|-----------|---------|
| <b>Y1</b> | Zachary | <b>Y2</b> | Talia | <b>Y3</b> | Zoe     |
| <b>Y4</b> | Paanya  | <b>Y5</b> | Layla | <b>Y6</b> | Delicia |

## **SPECIAL MENTION**

These children were chosen by their class teachers:

|           |                 |           |                 |           |                   |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|
| <b>Y1</b> | Kaiden & Ezra   | <b>Y2</b> | Amer & Logan    | <b>Y3</b> | Aisosa & Anna     |
| <b>Y4</b> | Jayikel & Harry | <b>Y5</b> | Lizzie & Keeley | <b>Y6</b> | Elizabeth & Corey |

## Dates For Your Diary

### OCTOBER

- 3<sup>rd</sup> October- Themed dinner 'Back to School Brunch' – please pay for this via ParentPay
- 7<sup>th</sup> October - 18<sup>th</sup> October- Y3 Swimming – more information to follow
- 9<sup>th</sup> October- INSET DAY
- 10<sup>th</sup> October- Whole School Mass In Church
- 10<sup>th</sup> October- Holy Communion/ Confirmation meeting 3.20pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> October- Holy Communion/ Confirmation Enrolment Mass 11am Church
- 17<sup>th</sup> October- Year 4 Class Mass
- 18<sup>th</sup> October- Whole School Photographs
- 24<sup>th</sup> October- Whole School Mass In Church
- 24<sup>th</sup> October- Break up for half term 3:10pm/3:15pm
- 25<sup>th</sup> October- INSET DAY

### NOVEMBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> November- School open to pupils 8.45am
- 7<sup>th</sup> November- Year 2 Class Mass
- 11<sup>th</sup> November to 15<sup>th</sup> November- Anti bullying week
- 13<sup>th</sup> November- Holy Communion meeting 3.20pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> November- Whole School Mass In Church
- 20<sup>th</sup> November- Confirmation meeting 3.20pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> November- Year 3 Class Mass
- 27<sup>th</sup> November- Parent Consultations
- 28<sup>th</sup> November- Whole School Mass In Church

### DECEMBER

- 4<sup>th</sup> December- Holy Communion meeting 3.20pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> December- Year 1 Class Mass
- 10<sup>th</sup> December- KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal 2pm (parents invited)
- 11<sup>th</sup> December- KS1 Nativity Play 9:15am (parents invited)
- 12<sup>th</sup> December- EYFS Class Mass
- 12<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Film night - more information to follow
- 16<sup>th</sup> December- EYFS Nativity Dress Rehearsal 10:45am (parents invited)
- 17<sup>th</sup> December EYFS Nativity Play 9:15am (parents invited)
- 18<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Dinner
- 18<sup>th</sup> December- KS2 Reflection 4pm (parents invited)
- 19<sup>th</sup> December- End of term Whole School Mass In Church
- 20<sup>th</sup> December- Congratulations Assembly/ Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm

### JANUARY

- 6<sup>th</sup> January- INSET DAY
- 7<sup>th</sup> January- School open to pupils at 8.45am

I wish you all a safe and happy weekend.

God bless,

*N.Damms*

Mrs N Damms  
Principal

