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Dear Parent

### **Leavers / End of School Year Mass**

Our final mass of this school year is offered in thanksgiving for the year, for our pupils and families and for those who leave our school family on Friday. All welcome, please join us.

**9.30 Mass in St Mary's Church.**

### **A Thought for the Future ...**

*Be faithful in small things because it is in them that  
your strength lies.*

Mother Teresa

**Goodbye to ...** – **Mrs Boulter**, who is leaving us after 15 years to foster children with special needs. This role requires a person of the greatest compassion, patience and goodness. Mrs Boulter possesses all of these qualities. The children who will be in her care are being placed in the safest of hands. We thank Mrs Boulter for the care she has given to all of our pupils and especially the pupils who she was given the 'integration' role for.

**Mr Powell**, many thanks for the work and support given to our Y2 children over the past term.

**Mrs Wimberley**, one of our lunchtime supervisors, who is returning to America with her family, will be sorely missed. **Miss O'Shea**, who leaves us to begin her PhD and is irreplaceable.

### **REMINDER - END of DAY Routines & new Start time!:**

Our new arrangements will commence on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September** – school start time will be **8.45 am** with the gates opening at 8.30am. There is a link on the school website with the new plan of zoned areas for parents at pick-up time (under 'parent' tab).

### **E-safety TIP of the week:**

**Don't meet people that you have only spoken to online. Stay safe, and always tell an adult what you are doing online.**

### **Attendance Data – up to and including Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Infants			Juniors	
YRC	96.2%		Y3C	97.1%
YRW	94.6%		Y3D	96.6%
Y1M	97.9%		Y4H	97.9%
Y1S	96.2%		Y4J	97.5%
Y2D	97.4%		Y5	98.1%
Y2G	97.4%		Y6	98.2%

Our overall school attendance is very good at 97.1%. Thank you! Well done to our Y6 children who have the best individual overall score. Let us target an overall score of above 98% next year ☺.

### **Farewell ...**

... to the families who leave us on Friday. They are forever a part of what our school is and will become. The following families – by family name: Bende, Fletcher, Fouda, Hoggard, Legas, Mac-Adams Rose, Marquet, Mathew, Miller, Myers, Nemeth, Pathmakanthan, Richter, Robinson, Scotney, Swan, Taylor, Wimberley and Jat. May your futures be blessed.

### **Thank you**

Finally, my thanks to all who support our school with huge commitment and diligence.

Our **PTA committee** – always ready to lend a hand and are instrumental in leading events (supported so well by our parents) that add to the children's experiences in school e.g. maintaining the outdoor play areas etc.

Our **Governors**, who are accountable for all that happens within the school in terms of expenditure, learning outcomes and policies. Their work behind the scenes is relatively unknown but they are fundamental to the success and integrity of our school.

Our **Staff** team, who work extremely hard every day to produce excellent learning experiences, both challenging and supporting the learning and wider development (spiritual, moral, social, physical), of the children in our care.

We have had a wonderfully successful year – at the end of all three key phases – Early Years, KS1 and KS2. These outcomes do not happen by accident and are a result of the close working relationship between school and home. Thank you!

### **Dinner Money**

Next half term the total amount will be £73.15. Cheques must be made payable to 'Birmingham City Council' please write 'school meals' on the reverse of the cheque! Thank you!

The children return to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September, for the new school start time of 8:45 a.m.

Finally, may you enjoy peace and relaxation over the coming vacation and may "Angels of love hold and protect you" wherever you are and whatever you do during the coming 6 weeks. God bless each and every one.

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher