



Archdiocese of Birmingham
**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent

June is dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



Today is the feast of Ss Peter & Paul and a holyday. It is a day dedicated to two “giants” of the Church and we ask for their prayers and protection for our Church, our Pope and all those who have given their lives in her service. Our Y6 children will attend the midday Mass.

Sacrament of the Eucharist

The remaining Y3 children will receive the Eucharist this week. We ask you to pray for these children as they go forward to receive their Lord in Holy Communion. It is such a beautiful time in the life of your child. May God bless them abundantly. We are so proud of the dignity and respect witnessed by our children last week.



COVID-19 UPDATE

As you will be aware, we have had two cases of Covid in our Y5. The classes are now isolating in accordance with regulations. May we remind you to remain vigilant and to keep our school protected until the end of term. We know of cases where two vaccines have been administered and yet there is a positive outcome. We cannot afford complacency and so we ask for your full support during the week and at weekends. Thank you. Should you, or anyone in your household require a test or display symptoms please email us at covid@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk

If you or your children present with symptoms – a PCR test MUST be taken – the Lateral Flow does not suffice when symptoms are present.

Cleaner Vacancy

We are looking to appoint a cleaner to join our highly motivated, enthusiastic and hardworking team.

Hours of work are: 15 hours per week, 15:00 – 18:00, Monday – Friday during term time plus 5 weeks during school holidays to undertake deep cleans as follows - First 2 weeks of the summer break, October half term, February half term and May half term.

More details relating to this position, including rates of pay, can be found on our website under the Vacancies tab.

If you have relevant experience and are interested in applying please email office@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk.

Kidz.comm – support at end of term

In the week commencing Monday 19th July, Jane Lewis (Kidz.comm) is offering cover to parents who require childcare for that week. The provision will be available between 7.30am and 5.00pm each day. If you want to take up this offer, please go directly to Kidz.comm on 07736 399789.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

As you are all aware – if your child will not be in school for any reason, you **MUST** inform us on the first day of absence. You can telephone (0121 464 2141) and press option 1 or email the school office

enquiry@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk If we do not hear from you, we have an obligation to call you. Continued absence may result in us contacting Children's Services. Thank you for your support.

Reading Recommendations..

Here are Miss Thompson's (3L) recommendations from her class library!

One of her favourite magical stories is *The Enchanted Tree*.

Miss Thompson says that it is full of surprises, excitement and humour and that you never know who the characters will meet or where they will go next!



Miss Price – Headteacher September 2021

Miss Price was in school on Friday and it was lovely to welcome her. We discussed many things about our school and she met the children and staff. One of the discussions was around the 5 statutory Teacher Training Days – INSET days – that all schools must include in their annual plan.

It is now agreed that Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd September 2021 – will be two such days and therefore the children will return to school on Monday 6th September 2021.

End of Year Reports

The end of year reports of your child's progress and performance will be sent out next Friday, 9th July. Given the amount of missed in-school learning, many of our children continue to thrive. We thank you, as parents, for the support and importance you place on your child's learning. This witness is crucial to children's attitudes to school and to their school work.

Welcome Back!

Mrs McConnell returns this week after her maternity leave. She will return part time and we will be delighted to see her back with our team and supporting our children.

Yours sincerely,

H M Cusack
Headteacher