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Dear Parent

Harvest Mass and Macmillan Coffee Morning - Friday 30th September:

We are celebrating harvest on Friday and thanking the Lord of the Harvest for all that we enjoy. We ask you to support us in giving to the hungry and homeless of our city. Please send in packets, tins and fresh foods (these on Thursday) - your offerings will be collected by Sister Sabina of the Fireside Centre and will ease the burden of the unfortunate. Thank you for your generosity.



Parish Centre - Coffee Morning - our new school council will go to the Parish Centre and meet those supporting the Macmillan Coffee Morning. Please make an effort to support this cause by having a coffee and cake before/after Mass.

Please share in our Mass on Friday morning at 9.30 in the Church. We officially welcome our new Reception children during this mass - our rich 'harvest' of the future. All welcome!

Parents' Evenings:

Please book on line for your appointment. Booking opens today for appointments on 12th and 13th of October.

Late collection of children after school:

We are pleased in the main with the end of day arrangements and 'pick ups' and trust that you are too. Regrettably, after only three full weeks of term, we already notice some persistent late collection of children by a minority of parents.

We must encourage all parents and carers to collect the children **punctually**, as staff have responsibilities after school and cannot sit with children. This also very much applies to the collection of children who attend **after school activities**.

Please note: if you are running late, you must call the school office as soon as possible to let us know this. We will also try to contact you and therefore **you must provide the office with your up to date phone contact details** so that we can do this.

As we cannot supervise your child after the collection time, we will place the child with the 'Kidz.comm' after school club- across the carpark from the main entrance of the school - and **there will be a charge;** £5 for the first fifteen minutes and £10 thereafter.

Please note that the school office (464 2141) closes at 4:15 pm (4:00 pm on Fridays) and the answer phone is then activated. Kidz.comm will be your sole point of contact after 4:15 pm: **07963 494341**.

Using Kidz.comm, we believe, is a better option than our contacting Children's Services or the police should your child be uncollected. If Kidz.comm closes (around 6:00 pm) and your child is still uncollected, then contacting Children's Services or the police will be the only available option.

Thought for this week

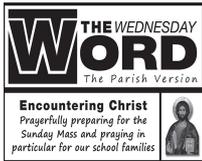
Leadership is not about the next election, it's about the next generation.



Simon Sinek

e- safety tip of the week:

Your password is like your parents' bank PIN. Do not share it with anyone!



Wednesday Word:

We have given the children a copy of the Word for the past three years. We request that some family time is given, each Wednesday, when it comes home in your child's book bag, to read it together... to be better prepared for Sunday mass and to benefit from the spiritual sustenance it offers your family.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'H. M. Cusack'.

H. M. Cusack
Headteacher