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# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent



**JUNE: DEDICATED TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.**

## Feast of the Sacred Heart: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

To celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our upper junior children will attend midday mass on Friday. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place all our hope and trust in you.

## Party in the Playground 28<sup>th</sup> June 5pm-8pm

From our PTA:

"Our **Party in the Playground** is this Friday and the forecast is that we may be blessed with warm, sunny weather!

Your entry ticket includes free entertainment all evening including: unlimited access on our giant inflatables, craft, football coaching, sports with Mr Davis, disco and children's entertainment with Shelley's Treats. Why should the children have all the fun? There will be an adults' session on the inflatable slide. Bar and BBQ, serving premium burgers from one of our local butchers, and of course live music from our very own Mr Reid. Please come and support our school at our biggest and most fun event of the year."

## St Mary's Pupils – Good News!

Last week some of our children were involved in different visits outside of school. Two groups of our Y5 children did workshops over at Bishop Challoner and our Y6 children went to Oscott College.

The feedback has been wonderful from all venues. I have been informed that our Y5s were excellently behaved and were a credit to the school and to their parents. We have had wonderful feedback from both the College and the public regarding our Y6 children's conduct, reverence and respect. It is tribute to us as a school, but fundamentally to you as parents, who share in our expectations and support us in what we strive to nurture and achieve in your children. Thank you!



**Aaron Price** @priceaj · 3d

Well done to the teachers (and pupils) of @StMaryB17 who got on the @WestMidRailway train at university today. Thought it would be a nightmare when i saw them on the platform, but the kidw were exceptionally quiet and well behaved!!

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**Janet Davies** @abbeygreen29 · 3d

I was on that train too. They were so well behaved. As I retired teacher It brought back many memories of school trips. Well done to them - little stars! 🌟👏👍

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**West Midlands Railway**

@WestMidRailway

Replying to @abbeygreen29 @StMaryB17 and @priceaj

Glad that we were a part of this!

**THANK YOU CHILDREN – you are spreading heart prints everywhere – we are all so proud of you!**

### **Vocations Week**

This week we are focusing on a variety of different vocations and sharing with the children where God may be leading them in the future. By others sharing their commitment to work, it is an opportunity for children to experience and learn in a very real way.

A variety of visitors and parents, including so far: Mr Kalala, Mr Briant, Ms Capp, Kevin and Stephen - Seminarians from Oscott College – and two local councillors and our Member of Parliament, are giving very generously of their time to share their vocations. Many thanks to all who have made contributions!

### **WOW bags**



Thank you to parents and staff who attended Mr Blaney's talk about the 'Invitation to Mission – Philippines 2019' last week.

One of the projects he encountered in Manila, **WOW bags** – is a small ecological livelihood project working with urban and rural poor families - and is one we wish to support.

Plastic drink pouches are turned into high quality bags using locally available materials that would otherwise end up in landfill or the sea. The money made supports families to improve their income and helps them realise their aspirations to educate their children in primary school (not free!) and pay for health care (not free).

A box of bags of all kinds (see picture for shopping bag, pencil case and 'purse bag' (with cotton shopping bag inside) is arriving in school this week. Watch this space.

### **Payment for Trips**

Please ensure that outstanding payments for all school trips are made by the School Gateway as soon as possible and before the trip date.

Yours sincerely

*HM Cusack*

Helena Cusack  
Headteacher