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6<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parent

During this month of June, dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we pray that love will reign in all hearts and that peace will flow abundantly throughout our world.

### PTA Message...

"Party in the Playground tickets – for the 30<sup>th</sup> June - go on sale later this week, through our Class Representatives. Individual tickets are priced at £3. Family tickets are also available and cost £10 each. A family ticket allows entry for up to 5 people, i.e. adults or children over the age of 4, from the same family. Free entry to preschool children. We look forward to seeing you there!"

### General Election - 8th June 2017

Please be advised that the school is used for polling and it is CLOSED on Thursday to allow the general public access to vote.

### INSET Days

On Monday and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June we will be undertaking staff training and school is closed to the children. We are off site on Monday for our annual retreat. On Tuesday our training takes place on school premises.

### PARKING

To the vast majority of you who park well and with due consideration for our community and the regulations of the Highway Code, thank you.

However, I was appalled to learn that a care worker for the elderly who was visiting residents in Vivian Close before half term was verbally abused by one of our parents. The parent had parked where she had no right to and then threatened to "smash in the head" of the care worker who needed a parking place. This, I am sure you will agree, is outrageous conduct, totally shameful and a very poor indictment on the reputation of our school. The police were informed.

I have this morning been informed by a parent that another family parked in such a way as to block the crossing access to the school. Such lack of consideration for our pupils and families as well as the laws of the road is quite unacceptable. The message being given here by those who park so indiscriminately and selfishly is that they are the only people who matter. **They are not!**

I ask those who currently park without regard for others to think very carefully about their actions and the witness they are giving – not least to their own children.

### Dates for this final half term:

*June*

<i>7<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Reception Classes – Safari Park</i>
<i>8<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>School closed for General Election voting</i>
<i>15<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>School Councillors attending the Council House</i>
<i>16<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Y6 visit to Oscott College</i>
	<i>YRC Class Mass</i>
<i>19<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>School closed – Teacher Training Day</i>
<i>20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>School closed – Teacher Training Day</i>

*9:15am*

22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Y6 visit to St Chad's Cathedral</i>	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>YRW Class Assembly</i>	<i>9:15am</i>
30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>YRC Class Assembly</i>	<i>9:15am</i>
<i>July</i>		
5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Transition Day for Y7</i> <i>Induction Day for Reception 2017</i> <i>Meet my new teacher day</i>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Y3 &amp; Y4 at Space Centre</i>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>YRW Class Mass</i> <i>Y5 &amp; Y6 at Snow Dome</i>	<i>9:15am</i>
10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Y1 &amp; Y2 – Conkers</i>	
12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>KS2 Performance</i>	<i>19:00</i>
14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>KS2 Performance</i> <i>Annual Reports</i>	<i>19:00</i>
17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Sports Day – Infants am</i> <i>Juniors pm</i>	
18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Parents' End of Year Meetings</i>	<i>3:45 – 5:30pm</i>
21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>Leavers' Mass</i> <i>Break up</i>	<i>9:30am</i> <i>3:15/3:30pm</i>

### A Thought for These Days

**“The more we sweat in peace, the less we bleed in war.”**

Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit

Yours sincerely

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