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Dear Parent

Welcome back to the continuation of our Spring Term.

Y1S Class Mass – Friday 26th February

Please join our Y1S children and staff for their celebration of the Liturgy on Friday at 9.30am. All welcome.

Stay and Pray - whole School Meditation

We shall continue with our school meditation on Wednesday mornings during Lent. The children gather together by 9.10 and the meditation lasts for around 10 minutes in total. All parents are welcome to join us for these powerful moments of silent prayer. Our next meditation is tomorrow, 24th February 2016.

Lenten Prayer Sacks

Please enjoy an evening of prayer and focus with the Walk with Me. Perhaps your child can talk you through the interpretation that was shared with them during the morning assembly.

School Uniform:

May I remind you that we are now officially in the period of time when we begin to follow the summer uniform - skirts worn with polo shirts (Y6) and summer dresses, but trousers should now no longer be worn even if girls continue to wear elements of the winter uniform. Boys may begin wearing polo shirts now and do not require a tie when they do so. Should children continue to wear the gold shirt/blouse then ties must be worn. Thank you for helping our children to present so well at school.

Parents' Evening Bookings

The booking on the school platform via the website is open from 18:00 tomorrow (24th Feb) until 18:00 on 2nd March for you to book your appointment. The earlier you are the better chance you have of your time being as near as possible to what you want. Please let us know if you need computer access to carry out this action. Paper based appointments cannot be made at this time.

New Fitness Equipment in our Playground

My thanks to Mr Davis for arranging the new items (5 in total) that have been placed in our school playground for the children to use during break times. The cost of the equipment and ground works is £13000 and the costs for this have been equally met by PTA income and funds from our School Fund Gift Aid account. Many thanks to our parents for all that you do to enhance the experiences of our pupils at school. May thanks, too, to the PTA who enhance your giving by arranging various events through the year. Please look after this equipment.

Job vacancy – school kitchen

The dining hall requires a general assistant between the hours of 12 and 2pm for 10 hours per week (Grade 1 at Living Wage). Please ask for an application form at the school office. Closing date for applications is 4th March 2016.







PTA Notice

The next PTA meeting will be on Monday 29th February at 730pm in the 'Slug and Lettuce'. There is much to discuss and all are welcome.

Thought for this week

Lord, help me to desire mercy and humility that I may walk humbly before you, my Lord and my God.

'Transformed by mercy' - 'Walk with me', Lent 2016

e- safety tip:

Always think of your personal safety first when using your tablet or your mobile phone in public.

Yours sincerely,

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H. M. Cusack Headteacher





