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Dear Parent

February is dedicated to the Holy Family

Y1F Class Assembly - Friday, 7th February – 9:15am.

Please join Miss Bennett's class as they lead the school collective worship on Friday... All welcome!



The God who Speaks to us...

"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Parent Consultations

Our Spring Term parent consultations will take place on Monday 16th March and Wednesday 18th March 2020. The online booking will open on today, Tuesday 4th March until Monday 9th March. If you have forgotten your log in details to make your appointment please email forgottenpassword@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk ONLY this email should be used and not the enquiry email. REMINDER: The format for logging in is: firstname.surname (lowercase) (eg: bart.simpson) plus your four digit PIN which is your password. Thank you.

STEMM Sharing Afternoon: Friday 7th February 2:00pm-3:15pm

Please see timetable below:

<u>STEMM Gallery showcase of learning:</u>						
Setting up time: 1.15-2.00						
Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
2.00-2.10	2.10-2.20	2.20-2.30	2.30-2.40	2.40-2.50	2.50-3.00	3.00-3.10

Parents are welcome to drop in at any time to see the work of each class.

Throughout the afternoon, school councillors from each class will be on hand to speak to any parents. We would appreciate any comments or reflections you wish to share about your child's experiences of the STEMM week.

School Dinners v Packed Lunches

If you have signed up your child for school dinners and they no longer wish to have them, please inform Mrs Shepherd ONE WEEK in advance about your change. This includes change from hot dinners to sandwiches **and** vice versa. Currently, the kitchen cannot keep up with the flexible

Fourth week of Ordinary Time



approach of changing from day to day. Please realise that food needs to be ordered and prepared and kitchen staff need more than an hours' notice. Thank you.

Additionally, we have discovered that some Y6 children who are signed up for hot dinners are also bringing in packed lunches and therefore not having their hot dinner. This leaves a lot of food over and means that dinners are paid for but not eaten. Of course, food may then be wasted!

PLEASE support us to provide appropriate amounts of food and avoid waste.

Toy Sale:

Our school councillors held a very successful 'toy sale' last week raising over £200. This has allowed them to buy a 'memory tree' to display at the front of our school. It will also offset some of the costs for their trip to Parliament next week. Thank you.

A Message from Indra – Y6

Thank you for £138 towards the Australian Wild Fires which we raised last week. This money will go to the Emergency Fund set up for this purpose. We cannot thank you enough for the support. Thank you.

PTA Message from Mrs Lo: Next week's Film Clubs

For all children that wish to attend film club next Mon 10th (Juniors) and Wed 12th (Infants)
Can you please send back your consent forms and payment by the very latest **this Thursday**.
Thank you



Chess Success

Alex, our chess coach, reported:
'St. Mary's played in the English Primary Schools Championship Birmingham Zone at Hallfield School on Saturday.

Two teams were entered: in the Under 11 and in the Under 9 sections.

The Under 11 'A' team won four of their five matches, including a 5-0 win against West House and a 4-1 win against Blue Coat. Ralphie and Daniel won silver medals, finishing in 2nd place. The Under 11 'B' team scored 9 points to finish 8th.

The Under 9 'A' team won three of their matches, winning bronze medals for finishing in third place. Tom won all five of his games, including a win against an England junior international in Round 3. The Under 9 'B' team scored 11.5 points, narrowly failing to qualify for the national Semi Finals.

Both 'A' teams qualified for the Semi Finals. This is the first time that St. Mary's have qualified for the Semi Finals in both sections of the competition, which will be played in June.'

Yours sincerely,

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