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Dear Parent

### **St Patrick's Day**

This year, we are going to celebrate St Patrick's 'brother saints' alongside him on his feast day. I'm sure he will be thrilled that we shall remember the peoples of all our British Isles. However, the day belongs to St Patrick! He - and the culture of the Irish that has spread across the world - will be a special focus. Please come and share in what promises to be an exciting afternoon.



### **School Meditation – Stay & Pray**

The prayer part of our Lenten penance can often be overlooked as we strive to raise money and fast. However, every Wednesday morning we offer the opportunity for you to join us in Christian mediation for a mere 10 minutes. Please give it some thought. ALL welcome.

### **Parent Consultation Evenings**

Thank you for all those parents who used our online booking system. This was intended as a way of making the whole process more convenient for you to see your child's class teacher. Those parents who did not make an appointment will be sent out a slot today from the appointments left unallocated.

### **Y5/Y6 Sleepover in aid of St Basil's.**

We are all so very proud of our 59 children who slept in sleeping bags in the school hall on Friday evening. The children were a credit to their families and to us in the way that they conducted themselves and the determination with which they embraced this opportunity to 'walk in the shoes' of those less fortunate. They have raised in excess of £600 which will be donated to St Basil's. This initiative came from the children and it inspires us with great hope for the future that our young ones are so caring and proactive. May God bless each and every one of them! My thanks to the staff who supported the children during the evening/night but especially to Mrs Tame who organised this event and turned the children's idea into a reality. Well done and THANK YOU ALL!

### **Lenten fundraisers this week**

As Friday is St Patrick's Day, children are invited to pay 50p to wear green. Therefore, school uniform will not be necessary on this day. There has been a great and generous response so far to the previous weeks' activities and we thank you so far for your generosity. The children have really taken the fundraising to heart and are hopefully having fun as well as learning more about the relationship between religion and charity. *Start collecting your bronze coins for next week's activity!*

### **Thought for this week:**

*Humility isn't thinking little of self: it isn't thinking of self at all.*

**[Code Club: there is no club next Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017.](#)**

### **e-safety tip of the week:**

*If you post a picture online, you have lost ownership of it! Anyone can save it, print it, or change it!*

Yours sincerely,

H. M. Cusack

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