



# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

## Y6B Class Mass – 1<sup>st</sup> December

Our Y6B children will celebrate the liturgy of the Mass together on Friday. All welcome to join with us in this special time of prayer. Mass begins at 9:15am.



## Stay and Pray

**Advent** begins on Sunday and we begin our 'Walk with Me' assemblies each morning. On Wednesday mornings we will all join together for our whole school meditation and invite you to join with us.

Mediation begins at 9:00 and lasts for approximately 10 minutes. It would be lovely to see a number of parents join us. The witness of your prayer life is a wonderful example for your children.

## E-schools Children's Blog system

Due to the inappropriate use of this system, and due to the fact that our contract is coming to an end, the children will no longer be able to use our school website to post unkind messages to each other or about others. Sadly, we are living in a world where this sort of behaviour is becoming almost acceptable! Do we, at St Mary's, really want to stoop so low? The answer of course is NO! If your child is using such sites, please ensure that they are doing so with dignity and truth. The children need to know that once they post something on the internet it is **never** completely removed – further, it provides no place for forgiveness or wiping the slate clean.

## E safety tip:

**The rules that we follow on the internet at school also apply to smart phones when you are not at school! Be careful what you share!**

## School Website

How user friendly do you find our school website? We are in the process of responding to some comments but would appreciate more so that our improvements reflect the views of our key stakeholders – i.e. you! If you have any suggestions on how to make it more 'user friendly' please email the school office at [enquiry@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk) There are certain things that cannot be changed such as the 'News' tab – as this is a default setting. We are now attempting, through negotiation with e-schools, to put all weekly newsletters under this tab and keeping them in one place rather than in a number of different places. Thank you, in advance, for your comments.

## Thought for the Week: **Christ the King**

**If I wish to be counted among the sheep,  
then I must be an actively loving person,  
irrespective of the response I get to my love.  
This is the way God loves me.**



### **Christmas Dinner**

Our Christmas dinner day will be held on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** and all children are invited to take up this offer if they so choose.

**Infant children** are all entitled to a meal but if they currently choose to provide their own meal they should still let us know if they want the Christmas dinner on 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Junior children**, who do not usually have a school dinner but are opting for the Christmas dinner should send in £2.25 in an envelope marked 'Christmas Dinner' noting their name and class by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December so that enough food can be ordered and cooked.

We shall also introduce our Christmas 'jumper day' on this day. There is no charge as we are doing this for fun and in keeping with the spirit of the day.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher