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If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

James 1:5

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Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year and Welcome back!

We know that the children will be trying to be the best that they can be this term and we look forward to seeing many of you at Celebration Assemblies. We also hope that we have seen the last of winter illnesses as we aim to keep attendance at a healthy 96% or above.

Wishing you all a healthy and happy 2017.

End of Day Procedures

Please be aware that the gates will not be open to parents/carers at home time until 3.25pm. This is to ensure that the school site remains secure until the children are dismissed at home time. A reminder also to wait for your children in the centre of the playground so that you can be seen from their collection points.

Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe.

Music Lessons

Music lessons resume next week, please note that violin lessons will be on a Thursday instead of a Friday.

Reception School Places for September 2017

Applications for school places need to be submitted to the Local Authority by 16th January 2017. Please note that you must submit an application even if your child has a sibling in school.



kind and Thoughtful

One of our anti-bullying strategies

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly teddy bear. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Monday 9th January 2017. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Booker in her office and swing on her chair.

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 9th January 2017. All Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. If Parents/Carers do attend could I please ask them to stay until the assembly finishes. This demonstrates to all the children that the entire assembly is

Malaika Nursery	Aryan T RW	Mason RB
For making good progress with naming letters in the alphabet.	For using his phonics to help him write about his favourite present.	For using good describing words about presents during group discussion.
Kyron 1M	Dya 1SW	N'Kyraa 2F
For great Maths work on odd and even numbers.	For really working on blending sounds to read words.	For working hard to improve her writing by using past tense correctly.
Laila 2N	Nawa 3F	Arjun 3J
For consistently producing high standards of work.	For improved independent writing.	For writing a lovely poem for his homework and always presenting his homework so beautifully.
Raisa 4C	Mahum 4S	Aaisha 5W
For improving her editing skills in English.	For working hard in English and improving her use of vocabulary.	For working hard to understand how to multiply and divide by 10,100 and 1000.
	Yuseph 5/6B	Jasmine 6JB
	For his desire to always give 100% across all areas.	For excellent Maths work.

Rumaysa RW

For helping another child to do up their coat.

Horatio 4S

For helping to cheer someone up.



Individual Liberty

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These classes received their certificates in celebration assembly on Wednesday 4th January 2017.

Spick and Span	2N	
Lining Up	3J	
Movement Bird	4C	
Attendance	3J 99.1%	
Punctuality	3F 3 lates	
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear 5/6B	
Dinnertime	Runner Up 2F	

Attendance and Punctuality

Please support us in continuing to improve our attendance and punctuality by encouraging your children to come to school and be on time every day.

Mobile Phones Safeguarding reminder

For Health and Safety reasons can I please ask all parents/carers not to use their mobile phone within the school building.

Thank you for your support.

Message from Mrs Bains and St. Mary's School Council

On our last day before the Christmas holidays the children and adults wore their Christmas Jumpers to raise money for 'Save the Children' charity. We raised £173.20. Well done everyone!

Remembrance Day



The Royal British Legion has been in touch regarding the total money St. Mary's raised by selling poppies in November 2016. We managed to beat last year's total of £124.20! We raised £157.76! Well done to everyone who donated and bought a poppy.

Parking Outside School Reminder

Please can parents/carers park with care when dropping and collecting their children outside of school and park with respect for our neighbours and other parents. Please help us to keep our children safe.

Safety online reminder

Could parents please, please supervise children when using the internet at home either on the computer, mobile phone or any other electronic device that can access the internet. We are doing everything that we can in school to ensure that our children are safe and constantly remind the children about e-safety. Following the tips listed below will help your child stay safe online.

- Have family rules about how the internet will be used at home and be clear about what information is safe to share online
- Discuss rules about communicating online with friends
- Make sure you know what your children are doing online, much like you would in 'real' life and use parental controls (on computers, mobile phones and game consoles) to help you. Remember that these cannot always be 100% effective
- Make sure that your children are aware that people or websites can lie online

Term dates

Have a great weekend!

Children break up on Friday 17 February 2017 Contact us :-

and return to school on Monday 27 February 2017

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