



# St. Mary's Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy Handsworth

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Dear Parents/Carers

'But by the grace of God I am what I am and his grace to me was not without effect'  
1 Corinthians 15:10

## Class 3J Assembly

Well done to all the children in Class 3J for a super assembly this morning. The assembly celebrated Eid, Diwali, Black and Asian History and diversity. The children demonstrated the seamless blend of cultures that we have in school. Thank you to Mrs Jagpal and all her helpers in making the assembly informative and enjoyable. Thank you to all parents/carers who came to support the children in their performance.

## Parking in the Rectory Car Park

Can I please remind parents/carers that parking in the rectory car park is not allowed. It is private property therefore should not be used by parents/carer. Thank you for your continued support.

The above statement is always on the newsletter as a reminder to parents/carers. Unfortunately a small number of people have continued to ignore the reminder. I hope that Father Bob's letter that everyone received will ensure that the small minority of parents/carers who have been disrespectful will cease to do so. Thank you to the many parents who are extremely supportive.

## Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 23 November 2015. 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 valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

<b>Ali Nursery</b> For being kind and thoughtful, doing a good deed without being asked	<b>Amminah RW</b> For excellent Maths finding 1 more and 1 less than a given number	<b>Gurjot RB</b> For working hard and improving his behaviour
<b>Rowan 1L</b> For working hard during independent activities all week	<b>Tavleen 1S</b> For retelling the story of 'Handa's Surprise'	<b>Haseen 2C</b> For working hard to improve his English work
<b>Harleen 2N</b> For being a fantastic member of 2N everyday	<b>Whole Class 3J</b> For supporting each other and working extremely hard for class assembly	<b>Tenayah 3/4S</b> For making a fantastic effort to improve her attitude to work
<b>Brianna 4B</b> For making a big effort to maintain a high standard of work	<b>Hassain 5S</b> For tremendous improvement in quality and quantity in all subjects	<b>Molly P 5/6W</b> For trying hard to improve her written work
	<b>Arjun 6B</b> For working hard in all areas	

## Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	2C
Spick and Span	2N
Movement Bird	1S
Gymnastic Monkey	Nursery
Attendance	5/6W
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear goes to 2N Runner Up 1S



### Kind and Thoughtful Person

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 23 November 2015. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1
<b>Somtochukwu</b> For returning money that was found in the playground

KS2
<b>Rhiannan</b> For comforting a reception child who was scared



### Mobile Phones 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.

### 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
- Make sure your child understands that online actions can have offline consequences

### Term Dates

End of Term	Children break up on <b>Friday 18 December 2015</b> and return to school on <b>Tuesday 5 January 2016</b>
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

*Ava Sturridge-Packer*

Mrs Ava Sturridge-Packer CBE  
Executive Head Teacher  
National Leader of Education

## Message from Mrs Bains - Learning Mentor/Attendance

### Children In Need Day

Our Children In Need Day went well on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. We managed to raise a grand total of £425.41p. We definitely beat last year's total of £267.15! The children carried on with their school work in their Pyjamas/Onsies in the afternoon! Well done everyone!

Thank you to Mrs Lynch and our Head Girl Tania and Head Boy Arjun and Deputy Head Boy Vishal for counting all the money and bagging the money correctly to be banked!

**This photograph of 6B will put a smile on your face!**



### Courses

Parents and Carers are working well towards their **English** and **Maths** qualifications. The courses are well attended and the English class is full however, we have got 2 places if there is anyone still contemplating doing the Maths Course! Please come along on Wednesday at 9am if you are interested.

The **Family Learning Course (Arts & Crafts)** is well attended and both the parents and children are enjoying spending quality time together and having fun together!

The **'Cooking with your child'** is going extremely well. Parent and child work with the tutor to cook and learn about the nutritional value of foods. They are encouraged to try new foods (both parents and children!) and the children also learn how to cut up food using the bridge and claw action!

Last week in our Arts and Crafts course I enjoyed making stars and snowflakes with my mum. I am going to hang them in my bedroom.

Felicia

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I enjoy the cooking course because it is fun cooking with my mum. We made healthy tortilla wraps and we ate them! Rishi, 3T

### 'Supporting Your Child at Nursery'

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov parents from St. Mary's Nursery were invited to a session with our school nurse to discuss their children and how to support their learning in Nursery in preparation for Reception. We had a good turnout so thank you to all those parents who attended. We hope the children liked their new toothbrushes that were given out at the session!