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Thought for the week

'Children obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right'

Ephesians 6:1

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to the Parents' Association for organising a super Valentines disco yesterday. Mr Broadfield and Miss Cammish attended as staff representatives and said how wonderful it was. Well done to all involved.

St Mary's C of E Primary and Nursery Academy are now on Twitter. Find us using @stmarysb20 and click 'follow' to keep up to date with all of the exciting events happening at St Mary's. You can also find our Twitter feed on the school website.

Have a lovely half term break

Ava Sturridge-Packer

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Executive Head Teacher

Parents 'Evening

Parents evening will be held on Thursday 3 March 2016.
Appointment letters will be sent out on Monday 22 February 2016.

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 22 February 2016. 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.

Our British Value this week is :-

Individual Liberty



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 22 February 2016. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office and swing on her chair.

Kathryn For a term full of kindness	Bethan For always showing kindness to classmates and helping others
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Laura Nursery For developing her ICT skills on the computer	Amiaya RW For trying hard with her letter formation	Abid RB For working hard with his writing and sequencing of ordinal numbers independently
Adoree 1L For working hard in English to improve his work	Hamnah 1S For independently writing a setting description	Arjun 2C For a fantastic price of independent writing
Hasan 2N For writing a fantastic story showing outstanding progress	Kyra 3J For thoughtful work on saving energy in Geography	Ifi 3/4S For working hard all year to improve Maths skills
Asrar 4B For working hard all year to improve his writing	Marian 5S For an amazing fantasy setting description	Syed 5/6W For writing an algorithm to make a rocket take off, travel through space and land
	Naailah 6B For always maintaining high standards	

Parking Outside School reminder

Please can parents/carers park with care when dropping and collecting their children outside of school. Once again this week an incident was reported to school. Thank you for your co-operation

Weekly certificates

These classes received their certificates in celebration assembly on Monday 8 February 2016.

Lining Up	5S
Spick and Span	1L
Movement Bird	2C
Gymnastic Monkey	5S
Attendance	2C-100%
Punctuality	2N
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear 3J Runner Up 2N

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/carers. Thank you for your continued support.

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.

School Closure in Extreme Weather Conditions

In the event of inclement weather conditions, announcements will be made between 6:45am and 9:00am on the following radio stations: Heart FM, Radio WM and BRMB. Parents will also be advised by text message so it is important that we have your current telephone number.

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.

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

Half Term Holiday	Children break up on Friday 12 February 2016 and return to school on Monday 22 February 2016
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