



# Thought for the week

## Resolving Conflict/Making Choices

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A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger

Dear Parents/Carers

Proverbs 15:1

### Parking Project

Well done to pupils from 4C and 4S who performed their drama piece to parents on Tuesday. The children highlighted the need for safe driving and parking around school. We will post the video when it is completed on our website or twitter feed. Year 6 are currently working on a music video around the same theme

### Drop in session

We would like to invite you to an informal drop in session at St Mary's School, where we will share plans for the proposed new build extension with you. In addition, officers from Birmingham City Council and Balfour Beatty will be available to answer any questions you may have. This is prior to any formal planning application being submitted. You are welcome to drop in to the school hall any time between 5.00pm and 6.30pm on Monday 12th June 2017.

# Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 12 June 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 valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

<b>Manasah Nursery</b> For settling well into Nursery	<b>Brandon RW</b> For settling into the Reception Class with ease	<b>O'Shane RB</b> For working hard to continuously develop his writing in Literacy
<b>Jacob 1M</b> For trying really hard with his phonics and showing a lot of progress	<b>Mariam 1SW</b> For working really hard to know her phonic sound and blending them to read	<b>Kimyah 2F</b> For showing resilience and perseverance when completing reasoning problems
<b>Nico 2N</b> For an excellent start to the final term in year 2	<b>Hassan 3F</b> For confidently solving problems using his reasoning skills	<b>Sana J 3J</b> For using sensible reasoning strategies
<b>Kyra 4C</b> For excellent verbal reasoning in Maths this week	<b>Zane 4S</b> For excellent work during problem solving and reasoning week	<b>Leona 5W</b> For applying Maths strategies with thought during investigation week
	<b>Hassain 5/6B</b> For never taking a day off, always trying his best	<b>Trisha 6JB</b> For working hard during problem solving and reasoning



## 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 Tuesday 6 June 2017. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Booker, in her office, and swing on her chair.

<b>Ellissia 2F</b> For coming back to school to hand in a Celebration Certificate she found on the path	<b>Jaden 5W</b> For saying encouraging words to a child who was struggling
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**Our British Values this week are ;**

**Mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.**

# Weekly certificates

These classes received their certificates in celebration assembly on Tuesday 6 June 2017.

Spick and Span	Nursery
Lining Up	2F
Movement Bird	4C
Gymnastic Monkey	1M
Attendance	6JB 100%
Punctuality	3F & 6JB 2 lates
Dinner Supervisor Award	3F
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear 3J Runner Up 3F

### 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.

### 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.

### Contact Numbers

Please ensure school has the correct mobile numbers on file as on some occasions we have been unable to contact parents due to the number not being available. Therefore if you have changed your contact numbers please ensure you give the office your telephone number and another contact number in case we cannot get you in an emergency. We need to have at least two numbers for emergency contact

### School Nurse

Our school Nurse will be in school on Tuesday 13 June 2017 at 9:15am if any parent/carer would like to speak with her.

Don't forget to

follow us on



twitter

@stmarysb20

### Attendance – Taking children out of school during term time

Firstly I would like to congratulate the many parents who make sure their children attend school regularly.

**However, I have to remind parents and carers that going abroad or taking children out of school during term time is not permitted. The Head Teacher cannot authorise leave during term time except where the circumstances are exceptional. If your child takes leave that has not been authorised by the Head Teacher, it will result in the absence being recorded as unauthorised and legal action may be taken.**

Absence can only be authorized by the Head Teacher, within the boundaries set by the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006.

It is a parent's legal responsibility to ensure their children receive appropriate education. Failing to send your child to school regularly without good reason is a criminal offence.

**Again, we would like to thank those parents who make sure their child is attending school regularly and are therefore benefitting fully from their educational opportunity.**

# Term dates

End of Term dates	Children break up on <b>Monday 24 July 2017</b> and return to school on <b>Wednesday 6 September 2017</b>
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### 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

### Kayaking and Rowing

Thank you to one of our Governors, Mr Ewins, for sign posting us to free kayaking and rowing in Handsworth Park.

Please see the flyer below for more details.

**HANDSWORTH PARK**  
**FREE KAYAKING & ROWING**  
**Saturday Afternoons 2:00 - 4:00**  
13, 20, 27th May - 10, 17, 24th June  
8, 15, 22nd July - 12, 19, 26th August

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Rowing and Canoeing In Birmingham

Funded by: **active parks**  
Birmingham

Booking not essential but preferred  
No experience necessary  
Just bring a towel and change of clothes just in case!

For more information or to book:  
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**Mrs Jo Booker** & **Mrs Ava Sturridge-Packer CBE NLE**  
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