



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

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Healthy School



Dear Parents/Carers

Thought for the Week

"May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed."
Psalms 20:4

I hope you all had a good summer break. Thank you for sending your children back looking so smart in their uniform and ready to start the new academic year.

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 8 September 2014. All Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. If Parents/Carers do attend could I please ask them to stay until the service finishes. This demonstrates to all the children that the entire service is valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

Nursery Nursery children have not started yet	Whole Class RW For a positive beginning to their school life and already being model St Mary's pupils	Whole Class RM For a fantastic start to school
Whole Class Year 1 For settling in well to their new class	Izzjah Ahmed 1/2C For a super start to year 1	Rio Thomas 2L For making an excellent start in year 2
Zarah Tabassam 3J For making a brilliant start in year 3	Humza Khan 3/4S For a lovely start to year 4	Jasmine Madier 4B For making an excellent start to year 4
Eneesya Kenyon 5B For making an excellent start in her new class	Domingo Robinson 5/6SS For having a mature approach to year 6	Demario Brown 6S For making a positive start to year 6

Kind and Thoughtful Person

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly dog. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Monday 5 September 2014. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1

Aqib Rahman
For helping a reception child to find the water fountain

KS2

Capri-Faith Lescott-Anderson
For giving her cake to a child who had dropped theirs



Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	2L
Spick and Span	Whole School
Movement Bird	5/6SS
Attendance	4B
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear goes to 5/6SS Runners up 6W

Free School Meals

Free school meal applications are now done online. If you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed on the attached sheet please go to the web address www.link2ict.org/FSM. If you need any help or support please ask at the school office.

As you may have heard in the news recently, the Government has introduced a school meal scheme where all children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 are now entitled to have a hot meal in school free of charge. If your child is currently bringing a packed lunch to school and you would now like them to have a hot meal in school could you please let their class teacher or the school office know. Thank you.

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.

Term Dates

Half Term	Children break up on Friday 24 October 2014 and return to school on Monday 3 November 2014
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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

Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?



How do I find out?

If you are a parent or carer, and receive any of the benefits below, then your child is eligible for Free School Meals.

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are **not** also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross household income of no more than £16,190)
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Working Tax Credit run on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit



What to do next?

If your application for Free School Meals is successful, St Mary's C of E Primary & Nursery Academy will also receive extra funding from the Government to use in support of teaching and learning (Pupil Premium).

If you would like to apply for Free School Meals you can:

- Apply online at www.link2ict.org/FSM
- Ask at reception for details