



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

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thought for the Week

“Where there is no guidance the people fall, but in abundance of counsellors there is victory.”
Proverbs 11:14

Parking Outside School

Following on from a parent questionnaire, a number of parents have raised their concerns regarding parking outside the school and the dangers to our children. I am asking that parents consider walking to school. In addition to this I have met with a concerned parent who has made several proposals for long term solutions involving a variety of systems which will be passed to the Governing Body.

Message from Mr Peter French of The Birmingham Anglican Diocese

As you may be aware the Church of England together with Broadway Academy have put a bid to the Department of Education to open a new Church of England secondary school in Newtown from September 2016. As part of our bid process we need to show that this is something parents would welcome - so if it is something you may be interested in could I ask you please to fill in the questionnaire at the following website <http://www.stgeorgesbroadwaycofe.academy>. Filling in the questionnaire does not mean that you have to go to this proposed school or that you will definitely get a place it is just an indication of support. Thanks in advance for your help with this.

School Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair will be in school from the end of the school day on Monday 1 December 2014. Books will be on sale before school from 8:30am to 9:00am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm after school. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 1 December 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.

Ethan Nursery For his excellent work in beginning to hear initial sounds in words	Ty'ella RW For writing super sentences about people who help us	Leo RM For learning his own lines and extra ones brilliantly for our Nativity
Sarah Year 1 For an outstanding performance during a role play activity	Sana 1/2C For excellent progress in English	Bethan 2L For putting 100% into her work and increasing the volume of work that she produces
Meshayah-Lei 3J For writing a lovely diary entry in History	Brianna 3/4S For always putting 100% into all of her work	Adan 4B For persevering in Maths work to develop her confidence
Humairaa 5B For working hard to improve in all areas	Fatima 5/6SS For working consistently hard in all subject areas	Ria 6W For writing a persuasive equality speech

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 1 December 2014. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1 Nico For always being a considerate member of St Mary's	KS2 Amit For helping to keep the cloakroom tidy
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Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	2L
Spick and Span	RM
Movement Bird	2L
Attendance	5/6SS & 6W
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear goes to 5/6SS Runners up Year 6W

Christmas Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time	Venue
12 December 2014	Christmas Nativity	2:00pm	School Hall
15 December 2014	Choir Carol Concert	5:30pm	School Hall
16 December 2014	Nursery & Key Stage 1 Christmas Party	1:30pm	In school
17 December 2014	Key Stage 2 Christmas Party	1:30pm	In school
18 December 2014	Church Service	10:30am	St Mary's Church

More details will follow nearer the dates.

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 you child understands that online actions can have offline consequences

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

End of Term	Children break up on Friday 19 December 2014 and return to school on Tuesday 6 January 2015
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Have a lovely weekend.
Yours sincerely

Mrs Ava Sturridge-Packer CBE
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