



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

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thought for the Week

'Honour your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you'

Exodus 20:12

Mothers Day Coffee Morning

It was lovely seeing so many Mothers, Grandmothers and Carers at this morning's special Coffee Morning. The interaction between all of you was a delight to see. It really demonstrated a seamless blend of cultures. We hope you have a lovely Mothers Day on Sunday. Our Mothers Day Assembly will be held next Friday. It will be class 2L's Parents Assembly and everyone is welcome to attend. Could all Parents/Carers however respect our children's performance by supervising any pre-school children and also being mindful of ensuring that everyone can enjoy the performance.

Parents Courses

Please see list below of courses that are currently taking place:

English Course - Commenced October 2014 - Course Full	Mondays and Thursdays 9.00am - 12.00pm
Math's Course - Commenced October 2014 - Course Full	Wednesdays 9.00am - 12.00pm
Family Learning Course- Paper Craft(6 week course)	Tuesdays 1.00pm - 3.00pm

After Easter there will be a new 'Cookery' Family Learning Course for parents and children at St. Mary's school. This course will be looking at healthy eating and how you and your child can have fun cooking together!

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Monday 16 March 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.

Stephanie Nursery For good use of story language when retelling a story	Jahmari RW For always giving 100% effort in all areas	Syeda RM For a lovely Mothers Day poem
Angelina Year 1 For super Maths all week, working independently	Clarissa 1/2C For a fantastic report about wolves	Abraham 2L For excellent reading with expression & fluency
Mimi 3J For demonstrating a more positive and mature attitude towards her work	Elsie 3/4S For producing a very good playscript including stage direction	Shayla 4B For producing some good work in English on playscripts and working hard
Tayshawn 5B For working hard at all times	Naailah 5/6SS For consistently putting 100% effort in all subject areas	Leniqua 6W For making fantastic progress especially in Maths

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



KS1	KS2
Malea For getting cups for all the children on her table at dinnertime	Tia For lending her skirt to a child in another class for their class assembly



Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	6W
Spick and Span	RW
Movement Bird	3J
Gymnastic Monkey	5/6SS
Attendance	2L
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear goes to 3J Runners up 5/6SS

School Closure in Extreme Weather Conditions reminder

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 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

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 Holidays	Children break up on Friday 27 March 2015 and return to school on Tuesday 14 April 2015
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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