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Dear Parent/Guardian

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Welcome back to this new half term!

November - Month of Remembrance

On Monday, we celebrated the Feast of All Saints, and during the month of November, we will be remembering our deceased loved ones.

SCARF workshops for Key Stage 2

On Thursday and Friday (11th and 12th November) the children in Key stage 2 will be taking part in innovative and exciting workshops with educators from SCARF. These sessions will focus on emotional health and wellbeing. These workshops are part of our comprehensive PSHE curriculum.

SCARF workshop for 7-9 year-olds - learning outcomes:

Children will:

- Understand that there is mental as well as physical health and what they can do to improve their mental health and wellbeing
- Consider ways in which they can maintain, manage, and improve their own mental wellbeing using the 5 ways model

SCARF workshop for 9-11 year-olds - learning outcomes:

Children will:

- Understand the importance of physical and mental wellbeing
- Understand the term mental wellbeing
- Learn ways to manage their own mental wellbeing
- Understand what might affect their mental wellbeing
- Learn strategies and skills to help them when feeling overwhelmed

Online Safety Newsletter

Please see attached November's newsletter. Highlights this month include guidance on Grand Theft Auto and Squid game. Remember a new newsletter is issued every month.

Poppy Appeal

The children have been very generous and keen to support the appeal and are wearing their poppies with pride. Poppies continue to be on sale with a suggested donation of 50p.

On Thursday 11th November at 11 am we will, along with the rest of the country, hold a 2 minute silence to remember all those who have died in wars.

School Photographs

Prints of the recent school photos have come back with your children. We hope you are pleased with them. I am sure that there are lots of relatives who will enjoy receiving them as presents.





Catholic Social Teachings

This year in school, we are going to be talking to the children much more about how the Bible influences our lives in so far as what we do for others and finding out their thoughts on this. This is called **Catholic Social Teaching**. Last half term, as you know, we learned more about God asking us to be Stewards of Creation, and this continues with our Go Green projects. This half term, we are learning more about how God asks us to be A Family and Community. We will be finding out what this means to our children, gathering their thoughts about how we can do this, and doing something practical to address this. Watch this space to find out what the children decide to do. Year 6 have already started this, by going up to The Pantry and serving the local community, by brightening the place up a bit and their role will develop as the year progresses.

Free Essential Digital Skills Qualifications

The Essential Digital Skills framework specifies the digital skills that people require to benefit from, participate in, and contribute to the digital environment in a secure manner.

Entry Level: Created for people who have no or limited prior familiarity with digital devices or the internet.

Level 1: Aimed at people who have some familiarity with digital devices and the internet but lack fundamental secure digital skills.

Level 2: Aimed at people who want to learn and gain a qualification in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Email and TEAMS.

Why not enrol today? All you need to do is email sameena.asmat@birmingham.gov.uk for an application form. www.trainbaes.co.uk

Winter Uniform

Please ensure that the children are wearing full school uniform of:

Boys - Grey trousers, white shirt, blue school jumper, school tie, grey socks

Girls - Grey skirt, pinafore or grey school trousers, white blouse, blue school cardigan/jumper, school tie, white/grey socks or tights.

Please note footwear should be black sensible shoes.

All uniform should be labelled with your child's name. Each year we have vast amounts of uniform unclaimed in our lost property.

School Uniform can be purchased online by visiting My Clothing Limited. School ties are available in the school office to buy - £3.00 for an elasticated tie and £3.30 for a normal tie.

Values and Virtues

This half term, we are growing to be more *Learned and Wise*.

Learned - finding God in all things.

Wise - in the ways the children use their learning for the common good.

We can do this by the experiences that we offer to the children. Where is God in what we have learned/learned about/experienced? How is this helping me to be the person God wants me to be?

The children will be talking about this in school - ask them about it.

Congratulations to Daisy and Jenson (5W) and the Y6 children who visited the local food bank, Hodge Hill Pantry this week, who are the winners of the certificates this week.

Head Boy and Head Girl

Congratulations to Joel-Eli and Javeria (Y6) who have been elected as Head Boy and Head Girl. They will be ably assisted by Jakub and Anaie (Y6) as Deputies.

The children gave excellent letters of application and explained clearly how they would provide the good example to others, how they would provide support and also how they would look to develop the role.





Behaviour Awards

Pink Badges: Anastasia, Grace O

Blue Badges: Kaiden, Hussain, Roscoe, Rayaan, Ramirez, Alessia, Muhammad Dodou, Mustapha (1M), Emilia, Daanish, Fletcher, Diaraya, Mujtaba, Karter, Mason B, Layla, Adam, Sahibnoor, Riley Gr, Billie, Dylan, Javeria, Hollie

STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Nursery	Alesia, Ollie
Reception NM	Arsema
Reception SS	Logan
Year 1DG	Eliana, Delia
Year 1M	Aariz, Rayyan
Year 2B	Benjamin
Year 2G	Mateusz, Branice
Year 3C	Hannah
Year 3M	Sara, 3M Maths Group
Year 4B	Samiur
Year 4P	Riley
Year 5P	Kacey
Year 5W	Gary
Year 6G	Scott
Year 6W	Leo
Sports Award	Jireh (3M)
Music Award	Patryk (5W)
Uniform Award	Kaydan (4B), Abdulahi (6G)

Well done everyone!

Prayers

Please keep Mrs Finn and her family in your prayers, as her sister has recently passed away. Please continue to pray for all our loved ones in heaven.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

R Baker and staff



