



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS TRUST

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Dear Parents,

We have had another very busy week in school. Thankfully most of us have managed to stay dry despite the winter storms.

Parking

Many of you will have seen the notices at the front of the school regarding responsible parking. Whilst the school fully understands that parking is a major challenge, we urge parents to consider the needs of residents. It does not reflect well on the school community when we have to apologise to residents who make complaints.

Winter Vomiting Virus (WVV)

The School Office has noticed an increase in absences caused by upset stomachs and vomiting. Many of these are caused by norovirus, and the spread of infection can be limited by careful hygiene. Please talk to your children about hand-washing, especially after using the toilet. More information can be found on the NHS Direct website:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Norovirus/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

Parent / Teacher Interviews

All children, with the exception of those in Class 3A, received letters to enable booking for the Parent / Teacher Interviews. The interviews will take place on Wednesday 10th February. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Allergies

In order to keep all the children in the school safe, please speak to your children about the importance of not sharing sweets and other treats with friends in school. We have a number of children that have anaphylaxis when exposed to tiny traces of certain foods, so everybody needs to be vigilant. Special care needs to be taken when giving out birthday treats.

Fundraising for The British Heart Foundation – Wear it Red & The Ultimate Dodgeball Challenge

On Friday 5th February 2016 for £1 all children may wear their own clothes, including something **red** for this Charity. The whole school will be taking part in the Dodgeball Challenge on the same day, please return all sponsor money and forms in an envelope by Thursday 11th February 2016.

Photographs

Advance notice to parents that Braiswick Photographers will be visiting the school on 23rd February for individual and class photos.

Book Fair

The Book Fair has been in school since Thursday and will be here until Tuesday 2nd February.

Assemblies

Many thanks to the children of Class 5V who presented an assembly about forgiveness and mercy. Next week, the children of 5L will be presenting an assembly on Thursday 4th February at **10.25am**. There will be no class-led assembly on 11th February as this will be the last assembly before the half term holiday for the children.

Achievement Certificates

Well done to the following children: McAlister 3A, Joseph 3D, Nathaniel 4B, Shenol 4C, Shawn 5L, All of Class 5V, Joshua 5V, Antwaine 6C, and Erika 6O. The DHT Award goes to Paulina in 4C. The Swimmer of the week is Kaima in 3D, and the musician of the week is Justin in 5V.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A.J. McDonald

Deputy Headteacher