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# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Parent,

## **Y5L Class assembly**

Please join Miss Hall's class as they lead our collective worship on Friday morning – 18th. All welcome to share in this lovely occasion. Assemblies begin at 9:15am.

## **Nativity Photographs**

We are still awaiting the payment for a number of photographs that were ordered and distributed following the infant's Nativity in December. Please forward outstanding payments to Mrs Shepherd. Thank you.

## **Spring Term INSET Days:**

Our final two INSET days are now booked for 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 – this means that the school will be closed to the children on these two days.

## **Children's Retreat – 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

Sion Catholic Community – 7 members will be with us leading the children's retreat during the week.

The members will need to be accommodated during their stay. We have had four offers of accommodation so far – thank you so much to those who have responded with the offer of a room.

We still need to accommodate 2 more members of the team. If you have the space and the inclination to help out, please let me know by the end of next week – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you in advance.

## **A message from Mrs Hall**

Dear Children and Parents of Zacchaeus Club

I would like to thank you all for your kind written and spoken words and gifts you gave on my retirement. St Mary's will always have a special place in my heart having worked here for the past fifteen years. In the months ahead I will enjoy reflecting on the many memories I have of the school and all of you.

I wish you continued blessings in the future.

Love and prayers

Anne Hall

### **Reception Class 2019**

If you have applied online via the Local Authority admissions for Reception intake for September 2019 - deadline today 15<sup>th</sup> January - and you have not yet submitted your 'School Information Form' (SIF), please do so ASAP. We use these forms as a key part of our admissions and they form a necessary part of our ranking process.

### **Dinner Money**

The cost for this half term is £69.00 - please pay via the School Gateway.

### **PTA Meeting**

**There will be a meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January – school hall – at 7pm. All welcome to join in and to share ideas.**

### **It's a thought well worth consideration ...**

*The quality of a person's life  
is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence,  
regardless of their chosen field of endeavour.*

Vince Lombardi

### **Fitbits and VTech Trackers**

Some children are wearing these items to school which, in principle, is fine. However, if they are worn they must be at their own risk and the school will take no liability for any loss or damage. These are expensive items and will need to be looked after by the wearer.

If the tracker has the ability to take photographs, i.e. such as a VTech model (I believe), then I am afraid these cannot be worn to school as they could potentially compromise data protection regulations if used inappropriately.

Yours sincerely



H M Cusack  
Headteacher