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Dear Parent

LENT – Stay & Pray

Tomorrow we begin our Lenten Meditations at 9:00 am. Please come and join the children for 10 minutes of mediation each Wednesday morning. All welcome.

Lenten fund raising

We request that each child brings in 50p for playing a board game **this Friday** afternoon. If they have a suitable board game to share with others, please send that in, ideally labelled with your child's name.



Thought for this week

**‘The tears we shed make us as honest and free as a crying baby
before the Lord.**

**This Lent let us grieve over our sins and then approach Jesus
with open hearts,
ready to receive His forgiveness. ’**

School ‘Walk with Me’ assembly today

e-safety tip of the week

If you are chatting to somebody new online, remember to keep personal details safe. Remember that it is easy for anyone to lie about who they really are online, as well as what they might really want.

Schools facing Funding Crisis

Thank you to those parents who have written to their MP regarding the uncertain state of funding for our school and others. We should find out tomorrow (Chancellor's Budget) what the state of play will be in this regard.

Parent Consultations March 2017

You can book your appointment to meet with your child's teacher. If you have forgotten or mislaid your login please email forgottenpassword@stmaryrc.bham.sch.uk where Mr Clinton will provide you with the details. Once retrieved please keep in a safe place. Thank you.

REMINDER _ this is the ONLY way for you to book your appointment – if you require access to a computer please let me know and we can make one available to you.

PARKING CRISIS

A very concerned parent has said: "I seriously worry for those parents with younger children and pushchairs." This situation clearly affects all children and families and is reaching a crisis point – an accident waiting to happen.

We publish below some photographs of parents' cars being parked very irresponsibly and selfishly. We ask parents who feel anxious about parking **not** to approach the persons who park so unsafely as this can lead to arguments that the children should not witness.



These two sets of three photos, sent in by a very concerned parent, are evidence of the way that parents are parking without regard for this community and its safety. It really is most unacceptable and without any respect for people or the law. What are our children being taught here? **PLEASE make alternative arrangements to park sensibly away from these congested areas.**

INSET DAY

This is notice of our final 2 INSET days for this school year – the school will be CLOSED to the children - **19th and 20th June 2017**

Academic Year 2017-2018

Please note that the term dates for next school year are on the school website. Should you require a paper copy please let Mrs Shepherd know.

Yours sincerely,

H M Cusack

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Headteacher