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Dear Parent,

1st May 2018



Month of May – dedicated to Mary, Mother of Jesus and our school's patron.

Y3M Class Assembly - Friday 4th May

Please join us for our Y3M class assembly on Friday morning – 9:15am in the school hall. All welcome.

May Altar

As we look forward to the month of May, Mary's month, we ask for offerings of flowers for our May altar in Our Lady's honour. During this month we pray for peace in England and for some resolutions to the gang violence and knife crimes that are blighting the lives of the young people of our country.

Local elections – 3rd May

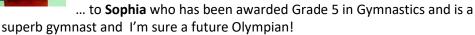
Our school is used by the Local Authority as a polling station and therefore **school will be closed** to the children and staff on Thursday 3rd May. Children will set some work to do at home.

What stars we have...

Very well done to ... **Daniel, Ciara and William** who ran 5K in aid of St Mary's Hospice at the weekend. Thank you children for your thought and kindness.



... to **Ralphie**, who represented Warwickshire in the under 9s chess. Ralphie won all of his three games and the team were just pipped to the post by Kent – who had a mere ½ point more. Excellent performance, Ralphie.





It's a thought

There are two essential things that will make you wise:

The books you read and

The people you meet...

Another Reminder – Schoolgateway Parent Online Payment Scheme

Just a little reminder to enable you to make payments to school using our new on-line service

- download the Schoolgateway app for your smartphone or tablet or
- · create a new account by visiting www.schoolgateway.com

Please contact Mrs Vincent in the school office if you have any problems. *Please be aware that we intend to work towards this being our main way of collecting money from parents for all sources of income*. Thank you.

Gary Barlow (lookalike) is coming to St Mary's...

PTA Event 18th May

Tickets are £10 and the event will be in the Parish Hall. You can get your tickets before or after school. We are all looking forward to it and hope you will all join us. This could be the 'greatest day' of the week and a wonderful way to wave goodbye to KS2 SATs!

Minnie Vinnies – Our Mini Vinnies are collecting plants and flowers for our May altar and prayer garden. Please see their poster below.



Coats please!

Reception staff have asked that the children wear coats to school (named please). Although we are now in the beautiful month of May, the weather remains unpredictable and sometimes cold and wet! Thank you.

<u>Swimming – some changes in May:</u>

Next week on the 8th May and also on the 22nd May, <u>Year 6</u> will go the swimming pool rather than the Y2 classes. We wish to check the older children's swimming skills before they move on to their secondary schools. Therefore, please <u>do not</u> send in the children's swimming kits in Year 2 on those dates – thank you.

Yours sincerely,

HM Cusack

H. M. Cusack Headteacher