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**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent

May is dedicated to Our Blessed Mother, Mary

Thursday 13th May – Feast of the Ascension

Thursday is a holy day (although the obligation is waived at present) and we will be attending mass in the church with only Y4, Y5 and Y6 children. This mass will not be open to the public and will be live streamed for the remainder of the school to follow.

May Procession – Unveiling of Prayer Garden



Our May Queen this year will be Caragh from Y6F and will be supported by Alex also from Y6F. **We invite all children in the school to bring in flowers to lay at the feet of our statue, on Thursday, so that we have a wonderful array to honour our Blessed Mother.**

Many thanks to those who have contributed beautiful flowers for our May altar.

Bring flowers of the rarest
Bring blossoms the fairest
From garden and woodland
and hillside and dale;
Our full hearts are swelling
our glad voices telling
The praise of the loveliest
flower of the vale

End of Day Pickup

We are planning on ending the staggered end of day times after half term so that we can maximise the learning for all children. This would mean a return to 3.15pm end for infants and 3.30pm end for juniors and sibling groups. We will obviously need to be mindful of any regulations that remain in place and the safety of children, staff and you as parents/carers. Once we have a couple of potential options we will communicate these – and would appreciate any thoughts you may have.

EUROPEAN UNION SETTLEMENT SCHEME	
Are you a European Union (EU), European Economic Area (EEA) or Swiss Citizen? If so, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK.	Applications are free and the deadline for applying is 30 June 2021. Settled status for EU citizens will guarantee access to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– The right to remain in the UK– Public services, such as healthcare and education– Public funds and pensions– British citizenship (which can be applied for at a later date)
If you need support with your application, there is FREE advice and guidance available from a number of organisations including:	
ASIRT	Tel: 0121 213 5893 Email: kosh@asirt.org.uk Website: https://asirt.org.uk/
CENTRAL ENGLAND LAW CENTRE	0121 227 6540 Email: Deena.Garnon@centraleaglandic.org.uk Website: www.centraleaglandic.org.uk
CENTRALA	Tel: 0121 5130240 Email: jafu@centrala-space.org.uk Website: www.centrala-space.org.uk
A full list of organisations can be found at our website www.birmingham.gov.uk/eussbim . We can also scan and verify your ID documents https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/EUSS-IDservice	
30 JUNE 2021	

Message for our EU Parents

Birmingham City Council has asked us to remind you that the deadline for applications for settlement in UK is 30th June 2021.

You can find all the details you require at

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/applying-for-settled-status>

You will need to apply for all members of the family.

Mental Health Awareness Week

*This week is **Mental Health Awareness Week** (10th-16th May), a time for everyone to pause, reflect and discuss their wellbeing. The theme this year is nature, so we are encouraging the children to get outside for their learning this week. Please keep an eye on twitter for photographs and updates!*

Yours sincerely,

HMCusack

Headteacher