



### Key Dates

Mon 7th April	Aspens food tasting session in the school playground at 3pm
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 5- Stations of the Cross assembly at 9:15am in the school hall-parents invited
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> April	EYFS and KS1 Easter Bonnet competition KS2 Easter box competition Bring all creation in by today
Frid 11th April	Class Photos - <u>ALL</u> pupils to dress smartly in their full winter uniform ( <u>NO</u> PE or swimming)
Frid 11th April	End of term-pupils break up for school
Mon 28th April	School open for all

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### Mrs Milligan and Mr Spindlow's Message

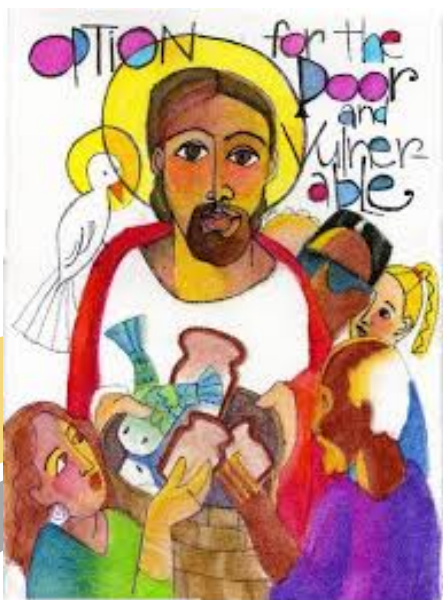
**As we continue through the Lenten season, we are filled with immense pride and gratitude for the remarkable spirit of generosity our school family has demonstrated. Our Lenten fundraising efforts for class charities have been truly inspiring, and we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your generous donations.**

**In addition to our class charity initiatives, we are delighted to highlight the success of 'Pledge a Pound' for Father Hudson's Caritas. This wonderful organisation does invaluable work in our community, and I encourage everyone to consider supporting this worthy cause if you haven't already done so.**

**This week, our pupils have eagerly participated in CAFOD's Big Lent Walk, combining physical activity with charitable giving.**

**These activities not only raise funds for important causes but also help our pupils develop empathy, social responsibility, and an understanding of global issues. Your continued support in these endeavours is greatly appreciated and truly makes a difference in the lives of others.**

**Thank you for your unwavering commitment to our school community and to those in need.**



# This Week's Gospel



When people have done something wrong to us we often feel angry and want them to be punished, don't we? But in today's gospel Jesus teaches us that this isn't always the right way. After all, we're not perfect either are we?

John 8:1-11

Then everyone went home, but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Early the next morning he went back to the Temple. All the people gathered round him, and he sat down and began to teach them. The teachers of the Law and the Pharisees brought in a woman who had been caught committing adultery, and they made her stand before them all. "Teacher," they said to Jesus, "this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. In our Law Moses commanded that such a woman must be stoned to death. Now, what do you say?" They said this to trap Jesus, so that they could accuse him. But he bent over and wrote on the ground with his finger.

As they stood there asking him questions, he straightened himself up and said to them, "Whichever one of you has committed no sin may throw the first stone at her." Then he bent over again and wrote on the ground. When they heard this, they all left, one by one, the older ones first. Jesus was left alone, with the woman still standing there. He straightened himself up and said to her, "Where are they? Is there no one left to condemn you?"

"No one, sir," she answered.

"Well, then," Jesus said, "I do not condemn you either. Go, but do not sin again."





## THE BIG LENT WALK

### WHY ARE WE WALKING THIS LENT?

Throughout Lent, pupils have been taking part in the Big Lent Walk to help fight global poverty. Thank you to all those who have donated so far, your sponsorship can and will change lives. There is still time to donate by scanning or clicking the QR code.



### Lenten Fundraising

Thank you all for your kind donations for this years Lenten Fundraising activities. The children have enjoyed a range of activities including naming the teddy and buying Fairtrade chocolates. All money raised will go to class charities to support the poor and vulnerable.





## Summer Uniform

**Pupils are welcome to wear summer uniforms on our return to school Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please see the uniform policy below:**



### **Boys**

- Plain grey or black trousers
- Boys may wear plain grey school shorts.
- White shirt
- Black or grey socks (no colours or patterns. No white socks)
- Black and yellow school Tie
- Black jumper
- Smart, plain black 'Clarkes style' shoes (no canvas, boots or heels)
- Yellow collared polo shirts may be worn instead of a shirt and tie. This applies to boys and girls. Please note that the polo shirt should be yellow, not white.



### **Girls**

- Plain grey pinafores, black/grey skirt or trousers
- White blouse
- Black, white or grey socks or tights (plain)
- Black and Yellow School Tie
- Black jumper or cardigan
- Smart, plain black 'Clarkes' style shoes (no canvas, boots or heels)
- Yellow collared polo shirts may be worn instead of a shirt and tie. This applies to boys and girls. Please note that the polo shirt should be yellow, not white.
- Girls may wear a yellow gingham/stripe summer dress instead of the shirt, tie and skirt.

### **P.E Kit**

- Plain black P.E Bag
- Black hoodie
- Plain black shorts (or plain, black track suit bottoms for cold weather)
- Yellow T-shirt
- Plimsolles for indoor work, trainers for outdoor work for Years 4, 5 & 6
- Plimsolles for Years Reception, 1, 2 & 3

**Uniform can be purchased via Clive Mark:**

<https://clivemark.co.uk/collections/guardian-angels-catholic-primary-school>

# This Week's Awards



## Virtues Award

EYFS - Za'rae  
Year 1 - Elsie-Mai  
Year 2 - Jaymin  
Year 3 - Anada  
Year 4 - Freddie  
Year 5 - Lola  
Year 6 - Erin



## Reader of the Week

EYFS - Lily-Mae  
Year 1 - Aiyza  
Year 2 - Aminah  
Year 3 - Ella B  
Year 4 - Jack  
Year 5 - Maisie  
Year 6 - Corey-James



## PE Star of the Week

EYFS - Lilly Z  
Year 1 - Sophia  
Year 2 - Layla-Mai  
Year 3 - Brianna  
Year 4 - Bonnie  
Year 5 - Joshua  
Year 6 - Dolce

## Star Pupils

EYFS

Amelia G and Zyon

Year 3

Scarlett and Jax

Year 1

Harry and Holly-Bee

Year 4

Jude O and Kyle

Year 2

Adonis and Michael

Year 5

Amelia N and Joey

Year 6

Francesca and Oriane

# This Week's Attendance



## Attendance Counts

Year Group	
EYFS	93.2
Year 1	79.6
Year 2	89.3
Year 3	89.4
Year 4	89.3
Year 5	95.3
Year 6	87.8

### Attendance Support

Mrs Tennant and the attendance team are always available to offer advice and support to help ensure your child is able to attend every day and reach their full potential. To book an appointment, please call the office on: 0121 747 2782

### Attendance Update

Schools can fine parents for the unauthorised absence of their child from school, where the child is of compulsory school age.

**Guardian Angels have now had to fine 25 families following Birmingham City Council guidelines**

If issued with a penalty notice, both parents must pay £80 within 21 days or £160 within 28 days. The payment must be made directly to the local authority.. If the payment has not been made after 28 days, the local authority can decide whether to prosecute the parents.

### Minor sickness and school attendance

There has been a steady increase in the number of children missing school on account of assumed illness. We need the support of all parents and carers to tackle this trend.

#### Is my child well enough?

##### High temperature

If your child looks or feels shivery or is unusually cold or hot, he or she may have a high temperature. There may be various reasons for this. A child with a high temperature should not be in school. However after feeling and looking better for 24 hours, a child should be able to return to school.

##### Cold and cough

A cold and a cough does not disable a child from attending school. However children with heavy colds or persistent coughs should stay at home. A child whose cough is disappearing and who is feeling better should return to school.

##### Rashes

A rash could be the first sign of one of childhood's many illnesses, such as chicken pox or measles. The rash or spots may cover the entire body or appear in only one area. Do not send a child to school with an unexplained rash or skin eruption until you have contacted NHS 111 or your GP surgery for advice.

##### Minor aches and pains

A child whose complaint is a minor headache, aches or pains does not usually need to be kept at home. Keep the school informed and the staff can monitor your child.

##### Vomiting and diarrhoea

If vomiting occurs, your child should stay at home for 48 hours and until he or she can keep food down. A child with diarrhoea should also be kept at home for 48 hours after the last episode. If your child does not improve as you expect, contact NHS 111 or your GP surgery for advice.

##### Common sense

Use this when deciding whether your child needs to stay at home. Work on the basis that an extremely sick children belong at home and well children belong in class!

Please remember that early morning aches often pass, so don't keep your child at home "just in case" when he or she could be learning in class. For further advice, you could talk to a member of the school staff, your local pharmacy, GP surgery or NHS 111.





## Virtues of the Half Term

### Attentive and Discerning



Pupils in our school are **Attentive**: We are attentive when we listen to our calling from God to love and serve one another in all that we do. We are attentive to our experiences and can see where they will take us in our future vocations.

**Discerning**: We are discerning when we decide to do the right thing in the interest of the needs of others because we know the positive impact that will have on their lives.

## Birthday Celebrations

**Asher (RB) Aiyza and Naemi (Year 1)**  
**Joey and Niamh (Year 5)**

Best Wishes from your Guardian Angels Family



**God of love, you forgive us when we go wrong, and encourage us to try again to be better. Guide us to do what is right and to make this world a fairer place for all who live in it. Amen.**



### Composer of the Week St Hildegard



Listen here:



**Have a lovely weekend and God Bless,**  
**Mrs Helen Milligan, Mr Spindlow and all the staff at Guardian Angels**



# EASTER

**KS1 Easter  
bonnet  
competition**



**KS2 Easter in a  
box  
competition**

**Please bring in to school on  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April**



DURING THE JUBILEE YEAR, WE WILL BE HOLDING **MONTHLY COMPETITIONS** FOR OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN. WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE SHARED IN OUR ASSEMBLIES.

<p><u>February</u> <b>Artwork:</b> Create a piece of artwork which represents hope to you. Entries will be sent to someone as a sign of hope afterwards (i.e. migrants, elderly, prisoners, hospitals, hospices)</p>	<p><u>March</u> <b>Poem of Hope:</b> Create a poem which fills you with hope, makes you think about something hopeful or explores something you hope for in the future.</p>	<p><u>April</u> <b>Sound of Hope:</b> could you record a sound which makes you feel hopeful, or record you singing a song which makes you full of hope? Maybe you could make up your own song?</p>	<p><u>May</u> <b>Letters of Hope:</b> Write a letter to Pope Francis telling him what you hope for and what change you want to see in the world. Could you tell him what you think you could do to make it happen?</p>	<p><u>June</u> <b>People of Hope:</b> Nominate the people of hope around you. Who makes you feel hopeful, like you can achieve what you want to achieve or makes you feel happy and loved?</p>
<p><u>July - August</u> <b>Holiday of Hope:</b> Can you share a photo of how you have shared hope in your community? Could you go on your pilgrimage with your family?</p>	<p><u>September</u> <b>Story of Hope:</b> Can you create a short story, of no longer than 400 words, which explores the theme of hope?</p>	<p><u>October</u> <b>Scene of Hope:</b> Could you take a photo of something which represents hope to you, or makes you feel hopeful?</p>	<p><u>November</u> <b>Heroes of Hope:</b> Design an icon for your favourite Saint, or Saint who represents hope to you.</p>	<p><u>December</u> <b>Wreath of Hope:</b> Create an Advent wreath for your classroom with messages of hope on the leaves.</p>



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## 10 ways to stay safe online!

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### Do

- ✓ Set your profiles to private
- ✓ Share what you do online with adults you trust
- ✓ Tell an adult if anything worries, upsets or frightens you
- ✓ Be kind to others
- ✓ Spend time with friends and family offline

### Don't

- ✗ Believe everything you see
- ✗ Trust strangers
- ✗ Give anyone your name, age or address
- ✗ Share pictures or videos of yourself
- ✗ Spend any money without checking with an adult

