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Dear Parent/Guardian

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### **Season of Creation**

On Monday, we celebrated Mass together as an OLAAS family, to mark officially the end of the 'Season of Creation'. Ms Mobberley, Aroosh, Joseph G, Christiana, Joel-Eli (Y6) and I, represented the school, at the mass at St Chad's Cathedral with Bishop Evans and representatives of all the other MAC schools. While at school, all our children joined in 'virtually'. Following mass, we processed from the Cathedral to Birmingham Council House, where we were met by the Lord Mayor and the Councillor for Climate Change. The children were able to present letters demanding change for the environment and climate and also sang the new MAC hymn created specifically for this event. The Lord Mayor and Councillor were most impressed by this peaceful protest and the ideas brought forward, and promised to do all they could to bring about change in Birmingham. At school, all of our children have committed to continuing to make changes in school and at home, to help the planet and protect our environment. Next week, we will let you know what they have promised.

### **St Wilfrid's Day**

On **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**, we celebrate the feast day of St Wilfrid's, our school and church patron. We will celebrate mass on this day and hope that Father will bless our new statue of St Wilfrid. Wilfrid was a man of great courage who remained firm in his convictions and faith and was a skilled missionary.

On **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2.15 – 3.15 pm**, we will hold a coffee morning, led by Year 3. Children are asked to bring in cakes and biscuits to sell for this occasion and they will be allocated a slot to come down to the hall to buy a drink and something to eat. Money raised will be divided between Macmillan Cancer Care and the family member of William Dolaghan, who is raising money for treatment in her battle against cancer. Unfortunately, we are unable, as yet, to welcome you into school to enjoy this event with us and we cannot guarantee the October weather to hold it outside.

If you would like to join us at home or at work and raise your cuppa and cake to these charities, and donate to these worthy causes, you can do via this link , <https://gofund.me/2f05244> for William's family member and /or <https://thyg.uk/BUU004274877> for Macmillan Cancer Care.

Non-Uniform last Friday raised **£193** for the Columban Fathers - thank you.

### **October - Holy Rosary**

During October, we celebrate the Holy Rosary. Miss McClenaghan, Miss Clohessy and Ms Brown held beautiful Collective Worship on Wednesday and asked the children to make their own sets of Rosary beads to share in school out of what they have at home. Keep an eye on our Twitter feed for the lovely sets we have received into school so far.

### **Black History Month**

In October, we celebrate the countless generations of African and Caribbean descent, who have shaped both our country's history and culture, but also that of the world.

The children will learn about the contributions of significant individuals throughout history - individuals such as Mary Seacole, Rosa Parks, Muhammed Ali, Nelson Mandela, Barack Obama and Martin Luther King.





## **Parent Consultations – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – 3.45 pm – 5.15 pm Nursery – Y6**

(Please note 4P's Parent Consultation is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – 3.45 pm – 5.15 pm).

The appointments will be by telephone, as we cautiously ease Covid restrictions.

Online booking through eSchools is now open.

Please log in using your log in details and book early, as it is a 'first come, first serve basis'. Any problems, then please contact the school office.

## **Y6 Alton Castle Residential**

We are delighted to be able to restart our annual residential trip to Alton Castle.

This will take place on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021.**

There will be a Parent Meeting via TEAMS on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 4.30 pm** to outline the trip, give important information and answer any questions there might be.

A link for the meeting will be sent to all Y6 parents. Please let us know if you do not receive this link.

## **Reception – September 2022**

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018, they will be eligible for a Reception place next September 2022. Parent/carers can apply online from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 to 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 by visiting

**[www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions)**. Online applicants that submit their application with a valid email address will be sent an offer by email on 19 April 2022.

## **Values and Virtues**

We are continuing to be **eloquent and truthful**.

Congratulations to Louie (2B) who is the winner of the certificate this week.

## **Behaviour Awards**

**Blue Badges:** Julia, Niamh, Delia, Eliana, Tiana, Tajoj, Anastasia, Xaiya, Michael (3C), Dominik, Oliver (6W), Irtiza, Faith, Jack, Rabia, Louis

## **STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK**

Nursery	Theo McF
Reception NM	Enoch
Reception SS	Gold
Year 1DG	Anastasia
Year 1M	Louie
Year 2B	Daanish
Year 2G	Troy
Year 3C	Victor, Xaiya, Nathan
Year 3M	Sahibnoor
Year 4B	Vanessa
Year 4P	Elias, Paul
Year 5P	Ibrahim
Year 5W	Kayla
Year 6G	Anaie
Year 6W	Harlem
Music Award	Y5 Clarinets
Wise Owl Award	Eliezer (5W)

**Well done everyone!**





#### **Attendance - Period - 27<sup>th</sup> September - 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021**

Group	% Attend
RNM	94%
RSS	88.5%
Year 1DG	93.2%
Year 1M	93%
Year 2B	89.5%
Year 2G	90.5%
Year 3C	97.9%
Year 3M	92.1%
Year 4B	86.4%
Year 4P	94.4%
Year 5P	86.2%
Year 5W	95.2%
Year 6G	89.2%
Year 6W	97%

#### **Lunchtime Supervisor Positions**

We have two Lunchtime Supervisor positions available at St Wilfrid's.

If interested, then please contact the school office for details. Please note the closing date for applications is **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021.**

#### **Prayers**

We pray for all those in our school community who are unwell at present.

Have a good weekend

**R Baker and staff**

