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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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Values and Virtues

This half term, we are thinking about being **compassionate** and **loving** towards others, near and far who need our support in some way or another. We will be preparing for after February half term when we will be taking part in activities to help our chosen class charities. Keep your eye on the newsletter each week to find out which individual pupils have been noticed being **compassionate** and **loving** towards others. Year 2 will be awarding the certificates this half term.

<p>The Year of the Word continues this half term. Last week Mr Baker spoke to the children about the words in the Gospel of Luke - 'Here is the light you will reveal to the nations' (Lk 2:32) and asked them how they could shine the light of Jesus. Each week, we will continue to tell you the words from the Bible that each class wish to share.</p>	
<p><u>1M</u></p>  <p>'Love your neighbour as yourself' Luke 10:27</p>	<p><u>Year 6</u></p>  <p>'I am the Way and the Truth and the Life' John 14:6</p>

ParentPay

We will shortly be accepting payments online for school meals and trips. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit or debit card or continue to make cash payments at PayPoint stores. ParentPay will be our preferred method of making payments to school - from after the Easter break, we will no longer be accepting cash payments into school. Your account activation details with instructions on how to get started with ParentPay will be sent out shortly. Please see the attached flyer for further information. If you have any questions then please contact the school office. Thank you.





Attendance

Our target for the year is at least 95.5% attendance for the whole school. At present our school attendance is 94.4%. Frequent absence can add up to a considerable amount of lost learning and can seriously disadvantage your child in adult life.

- 5 minutes late every day means around 3.5 days of education missed
- a score of 90% in a test would be a good result but 90% attendance means that a child will have missed around 100 lessons over a school year!

Every minute counts - examples

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons

Behaviour Awards

Light Blue Badges: Iosif, Aidan, Amari M, Antonia, Armani, Joseph P, Kelvin, Vanessa G, Zariah, Jordan, Adi, Asaad, Paul, Usman, Hassam, Avaiyah, Dante, Narcisa, Sofia

Pink Badges: Camilla, Suleyman, Aaron, Yosuf, Samuel S, Zainab, Michael K, Dominik, Tyler, Irfa, Samuel A, Neeko, Myles, Chanell, Aimal, Eunice, Mohib, Nabeel, Sedi, Billie-Louise, Ismah, Vanessa C-H, Adiyy, Jessica L-B, Dylan, Javeria, Cristina, Ellie-May, Amari D-J, Rhubie-Eve, Layla, Gabriele

Purple Badges: Arianah, Adam F, Kairan, Xaiya, Kayla C, Riley Gr, Sophia-Rose, Barney, Oliver Ca

Red Badges: Jireh, Riley Gr

STAR AWARDS AND MERIT CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Nursery	Jerry
Reception CT	Ellie
Reception SS	Jessica
Year 1M	Kairan, Zainab
Year 1P	Chanell
Year 2B	Armani
Year 2G	Vanessa, Jordan
Year 3B	Sueellen, Lacey-Mai
Year 3M	Jenson
Year 4P	Suleman
Year 4R	Miley, Andrius
Year 5H	Joseph, Tillie-Mae
Year 5M	Muhammad
Year 6G	Edi-Marco
Year 6T	Rhubie-Eve
SPORTS AWARD	Catalin, Kairan (1M)
WISE OWL AWARD	Amari (2B)
MUSIC AWARD	Ellie-Rose, Julieta, Adrian, Regan, Edi-Marco (6G)
EARLY YEARS ANGELS OF THE WEEK	Maddox (Nurs), Haniya (RCT), Troy (RSS)

Well done everyone!





Period - 6th - 10th January, 2020

Group	% Attend
RCT	84.7%
RSS	93.8%
Year 1P	94.2%
Year 1M	97.6%
Year 2B	98.2%
Year 2G	95.3%
Year 3B	95.8%
Year 3M	95%
Year 4P	100%
Year 4R	97.1%
Year 5H	98.1%
Year 5M	96.3%
Year 6G	94.2%
Year 6T	100%

Extreme Weather Arrangements

As the weather is due to get colder, I thought it useful to remind you of arrangements.

In the event of closure of the school due to extreme weather conditions, information of this will be relayed by a posting on the school website, a text message to your mobile and information on Free Radio or BBC Radio West Midlands.

Please do not call the school to see if we are open. Unless we are on any of the above, we are open!

Prayers

Please keep Mrs Lyon and family in your prayers following the wonderful news of the birth of Mila, 6lbs 5 oz. We look forward to seeing her soon - both mum and baby are doing well.

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely,

R Baker and staff

