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Dear Parents / Carers,

#### St Margaret of Scotland Feast Day

Today we celebrated our Feast Day. We had hoped to take Years 4-6 to church for mass but due to the weather we were unable to attend. Instead, the children prayed and celebrated in class.

A big thank you too to 4U for sharing their wonderful assembly focusing on our patron saint. The children acted and sang brilliantly. Thank you to friends and family who were in attendance.

St Margaret of Scotland Pray for us.

#### **Diary Dates**

Please note Christmas Crafts for Year 5 and Year 6 have changed.

Year 5 will now have their Christmas Crafts session on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December and Year 6 will have theirs on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

# **Earrings at School**

It has been brought to my attention that guidance in regard to earrings at school is not clear. Thank you to those of you who have brought this to my attention, it really is very helpful. Please find below the school's policy:

Children may wear small, plain stud earrings only. For safety reasons, no hoops, dangly earrings, or large studs are permitted. Earrings must be removed during PE and sports activities to prevent injury. The school cannot accept responsibility for lost or damaged earrings.

# Anti-Bullying Week - Mon 10th - Fri 14th November - Power for Good

Thank you to the children and staff for shining a light on bullying this week. The children have worked extremely hard and engaged in thoughtful discussions and work. Please do spend some time this weekend speaking to your children about the work they have completed and discuss bullying with them.

You can find more information about this initiative by visiting the official website

#### **Updating Your Contact Details**

A reminder that this week you will have received a sheet with the most up to date contact details we have for you. It is vital that you update the records and send them back to school as soon as you can. This will ensure that if we need to contact you during the school day for important matters we will be able to quickly. **We need your forms returned by Friday 21st November**.













#### It's a Goal!

Well done to boys from Years 5 and 6 that attended a football competition this week. They performed brilliantly and made it to the plate final narrowly losing 2-1. As always the children represented our school superbly and scored some fantastic goals. Well done all!





# Remembrance Day

The whole school community on Tuesday marked Remembrance Day by holding a minute silence on the school playground. The children stood beautifully; I was very proud of all of them.

# **Friday Celebration Assemblies**

Each **Friday**, Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 take part in **Celebration Assemblies**. During these assemblies classes share work, we celebrate birthdays, award certificates and reflect on the week that has passed.

We would like to invite you to these assemblies and join us in celebrating our amazing children! As with class assemblies you will be let in via the main entrance of the Key stage 1 and 2 halls.

#### The assemblies start at 8.30am and will be finished by 9.00am.

Parents of children who will be awarded a certificate for following the St Margaret's Way will receive a Parentmail on Thursday from school inviting them to the assembly to allow you to see your child receive their certificate. It would be great to have you join us. **Please do not share this information with your child as we want it to be a surprise for them on the day!** 

Each week a class in each key stage will share some work. Please note if your child's class is sharing work this does not guarantee your child will be involved in the sharing of the work. Teachers tend to choose small groups of children.

Date	Key Stage 1 Assembly (Class Sharing Work)	Key Stage 2 Assembly (Class Sharing Work)
21.11.25		
28.11.25	1G	3W
5.12.25	2C	5K
12.12.25	1Z	4U
19.12.25		

#### **Appointments During School Hours**

We kindly ask that, wherever possible, appointments for your child (such as medical or dental) are scheduled outside of school hours to minimise disruption to their learning.

We understand that sometimes this isn't possible, but we expect your child to attend school for the remainder of the day either before or after the appointment.

Please note that if your child is absent for the entire day, and could have reasonably attended for part of it, the absence before or after appointment will be recorded as unauthorised, (the portion of the day missed unnecessarily).

Please inform the school about the time and date of the appointment and provide us with a copy of the appointment letter/email/screenshot.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support in prioritising your child's education.

# **Attendance**

It is so important that children attend school when they are well enough. Good attendance will be rewarded so please do make sure your children are in school each day. Thank you for your support.

Please find below attendance data for every class for this week.

Class Attendance	Last Week	This Week
Reception ND	91	89↓
Reception AD	94	97↑
Year 1G	96	93↓
Year 1Z	93	94↑
Year 2M	96	92↓
Year 2C	98	92↓
Year 3A	98	92↓
Year 3W	99	98↓
Year 4G	99	96↓
Year 4U	99	98↓
Year 5K	99	99←→
Year 5T	100	98↓
Year 6A	99	94↓
Year 6D	97	97←→

Well done to 5K who had the top attendance this week with 99%

# **Diary Dates**

Please find below a table with key dates for this term and beyond, please do take note of events that effect you and your child. **Updated events are in BOLD**. More information will follow regarding school trips etc.

God bless, Mr Chiswell

Date	Event	Time
Weds19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Reception Parents – a workshop focusing on how	2.00 - 2.45
	to support your children to develop their fine motor	
	skills in the Key Stage 2 Hall.	
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6D Class Assembly	2.30
Fri 21st Nov	Assembly for parents of Mini Vinnies	2.30
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3W Class Assembly	2.30
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in St Andrew Family to wear blue to	
	school for the day to mark his feast day – 20th	
	November	
Mon 1st Dec	Meditation Monday (Y2 – Y6)	8.30
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1st Friday Mass for Year 4 at SMOS Church	8.30
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception Nativity to Parents	9.30
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3 Pantomime Trip – Dunstable Theatre	
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Crafts Reception & Y3	8.30
	Christmas Service at Church	5.00
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Crafts Nursery & Y5	8.30
	Christmas Crafts for Afternoon Nursery	12.30
Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Crafts Y2 & Y4	8.30
	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day	
	Christmas Movie Night (Y1 – Y6)	5.00 - 6.30
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Crafts Y1 & Y6	8.30
	Y2 Pantomime Trip – Dunstable Theatre	am
	Carols on the Playground	2.30
	End of Advent Term	3.00
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	All Children Return to School for Lent Term	8.15