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Dear Parents and children,
Thank you once again for all your support with our arrangements to keep everyone safe. The children in school are enjoying the learning. IXL continues to be really popular. It is wonderful hearing just how many questions have been answered. Keep up the good work and to those learning from home, keep sending in those photographs. Your creativity really impresses us all. Yesterday I received information from the Government about a full return to school in September. This is really wonderful news as we have all missed the children. With these Government directives, there are always many details to be addressed. Please bear with us while this information is assimilated, I will give further details on the arrangements for our whole school return in September, over the coming week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Warmest Regards
Mrs K. Yuen

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Home Learning – Week 13 “Transport”

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to learn more about transport. Learning may focus on modes of transport, transport in the past, the science behind transport, road safety and how to be safe around water.



Ways to keep in touch and receive information

Important Notice

Please remember to download the School Gateway APP. This is our main way of communicating with you



Email us on:

admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk

Send Your Good News

Stories to:

admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk

We would love to hear from you and possibly a photo too so we can put it in future editions.

Day of Many Colours

Monday of this week saw the children celebrate the feast day of St. Peter and St. Paul. Called the Princes of the Apostles, God gave them special powers to help establish the Christian Church on earth.



On Tuesday, the children came to school in a variety of bright colours to celebrate 'The Day of Many Colours', a theme based time run by Pope Francis' special Charity, Mission Together. Linked to the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, who were Missionaries of the early Church, the day is a time when we remember children around the world who are less fortunate than us. As we too are called to be missionaries spreading God's love in prayer and action, the children took part in 3 activities, which were based on the theme of reflection and prayer for children around the world.



First Fruit Crops From the School Garden

It's always good to see the children using our amazing outdoor space while in school but when a delegation of Year 1 children arrived at the office and took Mrs. Blincow out into the garden she was amazed at what they had found.



Nestled amongst the green leaves in the trees, was a bumper crop of pears and apples, the first fruits to be produced by the trees. Although not quite ready to eat yet, the children were very excited by their discovery.



Whilst in the garden we also had a look at the wild flowers growing there, which led on to a very interesting discussion about bees and pollination. Fantastic learning

in progress.

Message from our School Chaplain



'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

Matthew 11:30 The Gospel message for Sunday coming up struck a particular chord with me this week. It is one of my favourite passages from Scripture, but perhaps now more than ever before. How many times have you heard someone say in recent days, will things ever settle down and go back to normal? Or, I wish this were all over! For all of the positives which have come from the pandemic – the support for the NHS and Key Workers; the kindness and goodwill of neighbours, friends and volunteers; the friendliness and politeness of people out and about; the benefits for the environment and appreciation of nature; families enjoying time together and a slower pace of life. Wow! That is not even a complete list! For all of the good things to have come to us over the last few months, we have become weary with the time it is taking to find a cure for COVID 19, for the separation from loved ones and the difficulties encountered in trying to return to the freedom of our lifestyle pre-Corona. This is the time for us be strong and steady and never stop hoping! In the past week, Liverpool football team have won the Premiership, after thirty years of never giving up hope and much their delight, Northampton Town FC have been promoted to League 1. They never once gave up hoping and believing that these truly amazing moments would come to them. The magical moments, which we wish for, will happen for us too, one way or another! We may be weary of the Coronavirus, the lockdown and the social distancing, but it is now more than ever in this world crisis, that we need to look for the good things in our lives, look beyond the difficulties, which these days have thrown at us and search for that glimmer of light, which comes from having hope. The Liverpool anthem words, 'You'll Never Walk Alone' link well with the Scripture quote. My faith tells me that I will never walk alone, for on the days when I am weary and overburdened, God will always, always be there for me, no matter what!

God Bless

Mrs Darwin

Letters To The Earth – A Brand New Science Competition

Letters to the Earth is a collection of letters and poems that express human feelings about the climate crisis. In the book, published by Harper Collins, there are letters from children, parents, scientists, artists, actors, poets, politicians, songwriters and



poems that In the book, children, parents, scientists.

I would like the children of St. Mary's to add their voices to the collection. Parent need to submit your child's letter to the school, via e-mail admingroup@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk when their letter will be considered for publication in an upcoming Primary Science Teaching Trust (PSTT) newsletter and for inclusion in a future Harper Collins 'Letters to the Earth' publication or project.

Whatever you want to write about is welcome. It could be a letter, poem, song, postcard or a picture. The letter could be written to the Earth or from the Earth, to future or past generations, to adults who have the power to make important decisions, to ordinary people or to other species (animals or plants). It could be written as a human or perhaps from the point of view of a bee, bird, beech tree or another species.

All entries should be submitted by Wednesday 15th July. Certificates will be awarded for everyone who enters and a prize for the overall school winner will also be awarded.

I look forward to reading your entries.



We were very happy to welcome some of our Year 4 children back into school this week for 1 hour so they could say goodbye to Mrs Wilson and hello to their new class teacher Mrs Bayley who will be teaching them in Year 5.

Next Tuesday we will be inviting Year 2 and Year 5 to do the same between 10:00 -11:00 & 11:15am – 12:15pm

Year 3 will be invited in week commencing 13th July, please look out for your letter that will be communicated to you next week.

