

The Rosary

*Aspire, Believe,
Achieve: Together
in Christ*

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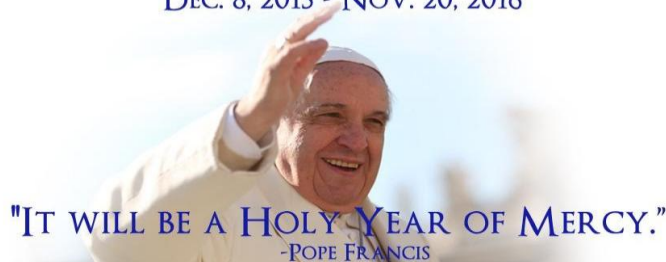
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Rejoice!

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY

DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



Dear Parents,

Pope Francis has asked the Church to rediscover the richness encompassed by the Spiritual Works of Mercy. In our school we hope to grow together in our understanding of God's mercy for us and learn to show mercy to others more fully.

The Year is centred around the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica which was opened on 8th December. Passing through the Door of Mercy is a sign that we want to accept God's mercy, change our hearts and walk into God's loving embrace. There will be a number of official Holy Doors open across the world where indulgences can be received. As a symbol of the Holy Door and entering a new relationship with Jesus, we have been invited to have our own symbolic 'Holy Door'.

Mercy is part of God's nature in his dealings with his people and it can never be exhausted. It is God's infinite love and compassion given without reserve to those who have not merited it.

We have printed the official prayer for the Year of Mercy over leaf.

Tressa Paczek

THIS IS THE OFFICIAL PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY FROM POPE FRANCIS

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.
Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money;
the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things;
made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:
"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.
In order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error:
let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor,

We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy;
you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

Amen

Mrs Julie Harness' Retirement



Next week we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Julie Harness (Nursery) as she is taking early retirement. Mrs Harness is a valued member of staff who has been with us since September 2007 and we would like to thank her for all her hard work in the Early Years Foundation stage.

Mrs Deane will be taking over the Nursery Classes in January. She has been working with Mrs Harness and getting to know the children in order to facilitate a smooth transition in

January.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Harness a very happy and well deserved retirement.

The Last Week of Term

As the last week of term is fast approaching and there is so much happening, we have highlighted what is happening on each day for you.

Monday 14 th December	11:00 Hedgehog Nativity 14:45 Squirrel Nativity
Tuesday 15 th December	13:00 KS2 (Junior) Nativity in the Church
Wednesday 16 th December	Pantomime in Infant Department for the Nursery, Reception and Years 1 & 2. The Hedgehog & Squirrel Classes (Nursery) are invited to come along and watch the performance in the morning. The Nursery will be CLOSED IN THE AFTERNOON. 18:00 KS2 (Junior) Nativity in the Church
Thursday 17 th December	Party Day for the Nursery, Reception, Years 1 & 2 only. They are invited to wear their party clothes to school. Children's Christmas Lunch.
Friday 18 th December	Mufti-Day for ALL THE CHILDREN (they can wear Christmas jumpers if they wish). £1.00 donation. 1:15pm Carols around the Christmas Tree. All parents, parishioners and neighbours are invited to come along. SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2PM!!!!

Thank you



The children and teachers from the Infant department would like to thank the PTA who raised over **£1000** to buy these wonderful books to accompany the schools successful Read Write Inc programme. These paper books are copies of what the children read in their Read Write Inc lessons. By having copies to take home, they will be able to practice and apply the skills which they have learned in their lessons. We will be sending them home in the New Year. ***Please look after them as there will be a £5***

charge for damaged books. A huge thank you to the PTA and our parents for buying these books for the children.

Fighting Fit at Athletics Competition

Rosary pupils won 12 out of 12 races against 3 other local schools in an athletics competition at Berkley Primary School this week.

The winning team was made up of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils; Jamie, Paul, Maciej, Livi, Maya, Melissa, Sinéad, Blessing, Daniel C, Daniel K, Roeve, Chloe and Kobe. Each one of the team showed great team spirit, fortitude and determination to win handsomely in every track event. The team had listened and acted on Mrs Hackman's coaching advice and showed impressive tactical awareness and athletic skill. They cheered each other on and showed great maturity in their attitude to working together. Ms Powell and Ms Dodd were extremely proud at what they described as 'a staggering performance'. Well done to everyone involved in this tremendous success and we're looking forward to the next round...





Attendance Matters!!!

Congratulations again to **6A** on their attendance last week and to **6B for their excellent punctuality**. A gentle reminder that children can start coming into class from 8:45am and that all children must be in class **by 8:55am**.

30th Nov - 4th Dec 2015	Att %	Lates
Class 6A	99.03	6
Class 4B	98.71	2
Class 3B	97.78	8
Class 5B	97.74	14
Class Giraffe	96.79	3
Class 6B	96.77	0
Class 4A	96.67	8
Class Panda	95.86	9
Class 5A	94.83	2
Class Squirrels	94.57	2
Class 3A	93.33	6
Class Tiger	93.33	6
Class Koalas	90.97	9
Class Hedgehogs	88.10	3
Class Dolphin	86.33	8
Class Penguin	77.59	5
Totals	93.86	91

Lateness = Lost Learning

(figures below are calculated over a school year)

- 5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost!
- 10 minutes late each day = 6 days lost!
- 15 minutes late each day = 9 days lost!
- 20 minutes late each day = 12 days lost!
- 30 minutes late each day = 18 days lost!

Absence Letters

A gentle reminder to parents that if your child is ever absent, please ensure that they return to school with their ABSENT NOTE to hand to their teacher during registration time.

Should your child be off for 5 days or more, you must bring in medical evidence of their illness e.g. a copy of prescription or empty prescribed medication. Thank you.

Appeal for Spare Clothes

We would be very grateful for the following donations of spare clothes for our children.

- Junior girls : knickers, tights, socks, cardigans
- Junior Boys : socks, jumpers & trousers (bigger size)
- Infants: socks & tights
- PE – shorts, track suit bottoms & T Shirts.

DECEMBER / JANUARY

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
13	11:00 HEDGEHOG NATIVITY 2:45 SQUIRRELS NATIVITY	13:00 KS2 NATIVITY OLQA	PANTO FOR EYFS & KS1 18:00 KS2 NATIVITY OLQA	CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH	MUFTI-DAY 9:30 WHOLE SCHOOL MASS SCHOOL CLOSERS @ 2PM!!!!	19
3 JANUARY	BACK TO SCHOOL	5	Y4 TRIP TO HIGHCLERE CASTLE	7	FLOURIDE VARNISHING RECEPTION, Y1 & Y2	9
10	11	12	13	Y1 & Y2 FLU IMMUNISATION	15	16

Police Camera

The police have installed a camera outside the school which is recording all vehicle activity on The Green. Anyone parking illegally will now be contacted by the police. Thank you.

Starting School in Reception Class in September 2016

Children born between **1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012** will need to apply for a reception class for September 2016. **The closing date for applications is: 15 January 2016.** Please read the '**Starting School in Hounslow in September 2016**' brochure carefully before completing your application. All Hounslow residents must apply online at www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions.

DRESS BRIGHT and BE SEEN



Now that the clocks have gone back and it's getting darker earlier on, it's more important than ever to make sure you can be seen when you're out and about near roads.