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Dear Parents,

As November is the month of The Holy Souls, once again we have invited the children to bring photographs into school of loved ones who have died and place them on their class altars to remember them in our prayers. A beautiful remembrance tree is on display in the KS2 hall where the children have beautiful prayers on the leaves.



As always, you are warmly welcomed to join the children on Friday mornings in church for class Masses.

The curriculum has been enriched in a variety of ways, including an Egyptian Wow day in Y4 ; a trip to Castleshaw for Y2 and three days away from home for our Y6 children at the Robinwood Residential Activity Centre.

All the children in KS2 were treated to a trip to the cinema as part of the British Film Institute Festival. However, the highlight of the term has to be the whole school trip to Oldham Coliseum to watch the pantomime Cinderella. The Early Years will enjoy their own pantomime in school later this term.



Congratulations to all the children who have represented St Mary's magnificently in the numerous sporting competitions this term, including basketball at Higher Failsworth School; athletics at Newman College and football at Propps Hall. We are particularly proud of the year two and three footballers who won came first in Manchester United competition at the Cliff training ground and will go on to represent Oldham at the regional stage next term.



Thank you once again to Mr Morrealle who kindly treated the children to an ice cream on Monday in return for a donation to Children in Need. We raised an amazing £374.20 for this very worthy cause.



Building Fund

Thank you to the 39 families who have contributed £20 to the Diocesan School Building Fund. Your donations are greatly appreciated. If you have not yet made a contribution, could I urge you to do so in order for us to continue to update and improve the environment for the children



The Secret Room is back by popular demand this year and will take place on Friday 30th November. This is a lovely opportunity for the children to buy a secret gift for their family. Thank you to the Friends of St Mary's for organising this unique event.

St Mary's Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 1st December . This is a lovely occasion and is an important fundraiser for our church. There will be spin the wheel, a tombola, Irish Coffees, a café, face painting and a chance to meet Father Christmas in our Harry Potter themed library. To support this, we are inviting the children to come to school in their own clothes on Friday 30th November in exchange for a bottle for the Bottle Stall.



Finally, I am sure you will join me in welcoming Mrs Leavy who has recently taken up post in our school office.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Ms M. Garvey

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Diary dates:

Fri 30 th Nov	Friends of St Mary's Secret Room Own Clothes Day -Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fair
Sat 1 st Dec	Christmas Fair 1pm-3pm
Tues 4 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Concert for Y1 Parents 9.30am
Wed 5 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Concert for Y2 Parents 9.30am
Thurs 6 th Dec	EY Christmas Concert 9.30am and 2.00pm
Fri 7 th Dec	Parish Feast Day Mass in church 9.30am
Tues 11 th Dec	KS2 Carol Service in church 7pm
Wed 12 th Dec	Christmas Dinner
Thurs 13 th Dec	EY Christmas Craft Morning 9.00am-10.00am
Fri 14 th Dec	EY pantomime in school
Fri 21 st Dec	Christmas Jumper Day School Closes 1.30pm