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Dear Family



RE: As October is the month of Mary the children have begun to say a simple version of the Rosary. We say 'Mary our Mother pray for us' with one set of 10 beads each day and with the 'Glory be' bead we say 'Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, Amen.' We have also been reading stories about Mary and colouring in a picture of her. Thank you to those children who have brought in their rosary beads. If your child would like to bring in some rosary beads with them next week, they are very welcome to. Please just ensure their name is on them, thank you. Today we celebrated Harvest time and we talked about those children who are less fortunate than we are. We sang some harvest songs and watched a Harvest video clip from CAFOD.



'Me and My World' Topic': We have continued to share their 'All About Me' scrapbooks with their new Nursery friends. Please send your child's 'All About Me' scrapbook into nursery next week if you have not already done so. Your child is also welcome to bring in books about families, friends and 'ourselves', which relate to our first topic into nursery to share with their friends at story times. Please ensure your child's name is clearly labelled inside their books. Also as part of our RE topic we have been watching some clips from 'Espresso' about making friends.



Topic: Colours: **BLUE:** This week we have continued our colour topic and the children have been busy exploring the colour blue through many creative activities! Thank you very much for sending in blue objects for our colour table. We have been singing the song 'What is blue?'

Yellow: Next week we will be investigating the colour yellow. Your child is welcome to bring in something yellow from home to share on our colour table. Please ensure their name is on their object, thank you.



Literacy: We shared the 'Apples' and 'Strawberry' books, which we have made, by reciting the words 'I went to the Nursery and who did I see...' They then saw a picture of themselves and said 'I saw ... We have read several story books too.



Library Books: Please remember to return your child's school library book in their book bag on Thursday. Thank you.



Maths: We have continued singing various number rhymes and completing number and shape puzzles. Some of the children have been sorting blue objects into different pots



Physical: The children enjoy balancing on the beams and climbing on the caterpillar and climbing frame. We have also been practising holding a paintbrush and pencil correctly, when drawing and painting.

PSHCE:  We enjoyed another session with 'Jenie' this week as part of our new School's PSHCE curriculum, 'Jigsaw'. They enjoyed telling 'Jenie' their name and who their friend is. We also listened to a song about friends. We listened to the chime bar ring while thinking about who our friends are and where we like to play with them.



Black History Month: We have listened to a short clip on 'Espresso' this week about why we are celebrating 'Black History Month'. We also read the story 'Handa's Surprise'. We have made African necklaces using coloured pasta



Birthdays: Maximos celebrated his 4th birthday on Wednesday. We wished him a very happy birthday.



School Website: Fronter and Bug Club: Your child has their Bug club password stuck in the back of their yellow library record book. Please look on the School website, click on 'Bug Club' where you will be able to access online story books. Please share the books with your child. We will be sending out 'Fronter' passwords as soon as possible. The consent forms are in the process of being updated. You will then be able to see all the photos we have taken since your child began Nursery.

Thank you to all families who have donated a box of tissues and paid their £5.00 cooking donation. We will begin cooking from next week. We shall make bananas and custard which the children will bring home.



Parental Consultations: You have received a letter explaining how to sign up for the parental consultations. Please ensure you complete two 5 minute slots next to each other. Thank you.

Christmas Card Project:  Don't forget if you want to take part in the PA's Christmas card project that all entries must be in school by Monday 8th October. Thank you to those parents who have already sent their child's one in.

Reminders:



Clothes: Please label all uniform and coats with your child's name as it can be very difficult for us to make sure your child has their own sweatshirt or coat if it is unnamed. Can you please ensure that those children with long hair have it tied up and that your child is wearing trainers or flat shoes to Nursery. Trainers with a Velcro fastening are most suitable. If your child wears wellies or boots to school can you bring in their trainers to wear indoors and ensure they are named. Please return any nursery clothes as soon as possible. Thank you.

Thank you to all who have paid their £5.00 cooking donation and a box of tissues.

Diary Dates

October 1 st – 31 st	Black History Month.
Thursday 18 th October	Break up for Half-term holiday 12.30/3.30
Thursday 18 th October	Parent's Evening from 4.00-7.00pm.
Friday 19 th October	Staff Training Day. (School closed for children).
Monday 29 th October	Return to school.
Thursday 1 st November	Parent's Evening from 4.00-7.00pm.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coughlan, Mrs Ladd, Mrs Sleigh and Mrs Conneley.