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Dear Parents / Carers,

As our Year 6s return from their expedition to the capital, we revel in their tales of interest and appreciation. Their time with us is so short now and we are making the most of it. Our thanks to all the staff involved in making this such an unforgettable and enriching experience.

Safety Notice: Bracelets

Please make sure that your child does not wear bracelets to school. Today a child had a very distressing accident - part of a bracelet became embedded in her hand when she fell over in the playground.

Chess - Champions in the Making

Our Under-11 Plate team pulled off a fabulous second place in a really tough competition last weekend; this is the best result by an OLOP team ever! The Under-11 A team battled away against every top player in the country. They won three marvellous games including a 3.5-1.5 win over local rivals Ladymount, receiving the Bronze Award. Our heartfelt congratulations to all.

Wonderful World of Work Week - Next Week

A final call for those of you who could spare us some time next week to share your experiences of the Wonderful World of Work, whether through a job you have experienced personally, or through your knowledge of others who fulfil an interesting working role. Please help us to raise the aspirations of all the children in the school by broadening their horizons. Get in touch! Email amaney@ourladyofpity.co.uk.

Science - Talkabout

Here's a challenge your child will enjoy, in readiness for the summer heat to come (we hope!) Give the children the problem of wanting to keep a cold drink chilled for a picnic. Can you compare the insulation capacity of a number of different materials - bubble wrap, cloth, foil, newspaper, wool, or other materials? See which material your child would predict to do the best job and then test - by placing a known quantity of ice in a bag, and timing how long it takes to melt completely. Place the bag inside a second bag, packed tightly with the material you want to test. Then measure the melting time of the same amount of ice, placed in the inner bag. You could ask your child how you could make the test more scientifically accurate. They will have fun puzzling it out!

Read, read, READ!

Please, read as much as you can, as often as you can, with your child. Every moment spent reading with your child is a huge investment in their future success.

Shaun Tan's 'Arrival' is an amazing book to explore with children of all ages. A book without words, its entrancing pictures invite fascination and puzzlement. The question - 'What do you see?' followed by a simple encourager like, 'What kind of...?' or 'Is there anything else about ...?' will open up worlds of wonderment in your child's mind. Pick up a copy from your library and see what your child makes of it!

Week Beginning 17th June 2019 - World Refugee Week

45,500 children worldwide arrived completely alone, without an adult or guardian, in a country of asylum in 2017.

We will be hosting a 'Sharing the Journey' walk next week, to focus our thoughts and prayers on the plight of refugees across the globe.

And so we pray...

Pentecost is such a powerful time for children as they explore what it might mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit. We have just started a prayer group in school - the children have responded enthusiastically to having a place to be quiet and to offer and ask for prayers.

We pray for all our children and young people as we consider their future roles in the world.

Lord, you give us the greatest gift of all, in the life of a child.

Guide us with your love. Strengthen us with your truth. Use us to give the world to them.

And when worry and doubt take hold, in the face of the great unknowns; grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen