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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **The Corporal and Spiritual Acts of Mercy - Bury the Dead**

During this Year of Mercy we would like the children to be focused on the messages of Pope Francis: "It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty. And let us enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy... Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy . . . "

The focus for the corporal acts this week is *Bury the Dead*. In John 11:25 in response to Lazarus' death Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die." We saw Martha's faith in this passage and in times of need, our faith is the only comfort. As we suffer our own personal grief of loss and death, we rely on the fact that there is a greater plan in place for our lives/destiny and leave it all in the hands of Christ. As we rely heavily on the strong faith we have built let us share this gift with our children; let us be people of faith so that our children can imitate our actions.

### **Religious Education (Section 48) Inspection**

The school had its Section 48 Inspection on the teaching of Religious Education on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The inspection went as expected and we will share the outcome with you as soon as the final report is published.

### **Maths Market Week**

During the week beginning the 6<sup>th</sup> June we will be holding our second annual Maths Market Week. This year Maths Market Week will be themed to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Throughout the week the children will have the opportunity to be young entrepreneurs by developing a business plan for a product/service they would like to sell. They even have to pitch their idea to the Bank Manager (in the form of myself) in order to get a startup loan. There will also be an opportunity for you to purchase the items that the children have made on our **Market Day Friday, 10th June from 2:15 - 3:15**.

### **Class assembly**

There will be a class assembly for 1D on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 9:05 am; parents with children in this class are warmly welcome



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Headteacher: Ms Natasha Scott



### **Parental Contribution**

An enormous thank you to all the parents who have paid their parental contribution already this school year; we have collected an amazing £6246.50. This money will be used to help with the cost of refurbishing the pupil toilets over the summer holidays. If you have not already done so please go to your Parent Pay account it will be an item in the drop down menu for you to add to your basket and pay.

N. Scott  
Head Teacher

