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Dear Parents,

The parables describing God's Kingdom in Mark's Gospel this weekend are a perfect way to highlight the incredible work that Year 3 and one of our school Governors, Ms Parente, have done in tending to their vegetable crop in the school allotment, around by the Church. The lettuces they have harvested today were grown from tiny seeds, reminiscent of the mighty mustard tree that Mark describes to us. The beauty, power and majesty of our world is on show as we bask in the sustained sunshine of the past few days.

It may feel like a while ago, but we hope that the parent meetings just before the half term break, over 'School Cloud' were useful. We know that a few families had some difficulty accessing the services. However, where meetings have not already happened teachers will be in touch to follow up. In addition, all parents will be receiving an end of year report at the end of this term.

The pupil-led 'Faith Team' supported by Mrs Eaden continues to support aspects of faith formation and faith in action across the school.

The faith in action team coordinated the Lenten appeal for the Catholic Children's Society and have counted an incredible £423 that will go directly to the charity.

The Faith in Action have been learning the Hail Mary in British Sign Language. If you would like to have a go at learning this with your child/children, that would be fantastic. Just click on the link below to watch:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=DjZbvKWI6Tg>

As you may remember we had to ask a number of children to self-isolate just before the break due to 2 separate asymptomatic cases in a class. Please can I remind parents that there is currently surge testing occurring in Kingston, where households are asked to take PCR tests. Similar surges have been detected in the surrounding Boroughs and cases continue to rise in Merton. Please could I ask that all families remain vigilant and make use of the regular home testing that is now available. The Delta variant appears to be more transmittable, particularly amongst teenagers and young adults. We still need to 'hold tight' but there is clearly light at the end of the tunnel. Let's keep each other safe.

Wishing all of our families a warm weekend.

Mr J Dachtler

Headteacher

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"Love proves itself by deeds so how am I to show my love?" St Thérèse of Lisieux

