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Dear Parents,

**TREAT
OTHERS**
the way

you

want to be

TREATED.

We are happy to inform you that all the students seem to be settling down. Most of the children are working hard. It is to their benefit when you supervise daily their HW, reading and studies.

Hereunder please find calendar of activities for the month of:

November 2018

1 st	Mid-Term Holiday
2 nd	Mid Term Holiday
5 th	Mid Term Holiday
6 th	Change to Winter Uniform. Blazer is to be worn as from December. Year 1 students will be going to Playmobil. Transport and entrance fee is €6.50 Dinja Waħda Award Ceremony - The school has been awarded the Gold Award for another year. Well done to all.
7 th	Confessions for Year 3 students Year 2 will be going to Malta Aquarium. Transport and entrance fee is €6.00 Year 5 will be going to B'Kara Home Economic Seminar Centre for the programme 'Duq il-Qawsalla' which focuses on the promotion of the daily consumption of vegetables and fruit. Pupils need to bring along with them a healthy packed lunch, a bottle of water and a re-usable plastic cup. A glass of fresh, white milk will be served to all pupils. All pupils attending this seminar will be given an activity booklet. Ekoskola 2 nd meeting during break.
8 th	Ftira Day organised by PTA. Closing date for application of Christmas Crib competition. Refer to attached circular from Education department.
9 th	Mass for Year 3 students Year 4 students will be going to Qawra for their Maths Trail. Students are to bring €3 for transport.
12 th	I.E.P meetings Babes programme organised by Agenzija Sedqa for Year 3 students.
13 th	Parents' Day - Students are <u>NOT</u> to come to school. Second hand uniform sale.
14 th	A fire drill will be held for KG, Year 1, 2 and 3 classes in the old building.
15 th	A fire drill will be held for Years 4, 5 and 6 classes in the new blue building. Year 3 will be going to B'Kara Home Economic Seminar Centre for the programme 'A Healthy Breakfast for a Good Start!'. A healthy breakfast will be served to all pupils, teachers and LSEs. Pupils are being kindly requested to bring along an apron and head gear/cap for a 'hands-on' activity. Pupils are encouraged to bring with them two portions of different coloured fresh fruit in a small container (chopped and ready to eat). It is suggested that the fruit is chopped creatively (eg. different shapes and

	sizes) as this will be used in a hands-on activity.
16 th	Mass for Year 2 students Year 6 will be visiting Explora Science Centre. Students are to bring €6 for transport, show, workshop and entrance fee.
19 th	I.E.P meetings Babes programme organised by Agenzija Sedqa for Year 3 students.
20 th	Missjo Craft Activity for Year 3 students. World Children's Day. An assembly for all will be held in the school hall to commemorate World Children's Day. Students may wear a costume to represent a Nationality. Those who do not have a costume can bring a flag. Vision testing for Year 1 students and Scoliosis Screening for Year 6 students.
21 st	KG1 students will be going to Zeffies play centre. Students are to bring €6.50 for transport and entrance fee. Street Smart will be holding an activity for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Students are to bring €3.
22 nd	Year 3 students will be going to Masquerade. Students are to bring €8 for Entrance fee and transport. <i>Students taking part in the Crib Competition are to bring their crib to school (see attached circular). Cribbs will be exhibited in the Foyer of the Sports Complex.</i>
23 rd	Mass for Year 1 students.
26 th	I.E.P meetings
27 th	Baked Rice Day. PTA details will follow at a later date.
28 th	Mosta Maths trail for Year 5 students. Students are to bring €3 for transport. Malta Textile Collection. Please send items in a closed garbage bag and not in a loose paper bag. KG2 students will be visiting Popeye Village. Students are to bring €7 for transport and entrance fee.
29 th	Babes Programme for Year 3 students. Year 6 students will be going to Home Economics Seminar Centre for a talk - Money Matters. Pupils need to bring along with them a healthy packed lunch, a bottle of water and a re-usable plastic cup. A glass of fresh, white milk will be served to all pupils.
30 th	Blessing of Advent Wreaths. Advent Prayer Spaces for all students. Launching of PAY-IT-BACK BANK during Assembly. This is a Reverse Advent calendar. Through this initiative, students are encouraged to think of others by everyday bringing to school an item of food/toiletries etc to be donated to the B'Kara Archpriest. These will be then distributed to needed families.
December 2018	
3 rd	I.E.P. meetings Christmas Sale organised PTA.
4 th	Christmas Sale organised by PTA Rehearsal for Concert for Kinders, Years 1, 2 and 3. Year 6 will be going to Valletta for their Social Studies fieldwork.
5 th	Confessions for all Technical Rehearsal for Concert for Kinders, Years 1, 2 and 3. (Years 4, 5 & 6 audience). Photos will be taken by a professional photographer.
6 th	Feast of St. Nicholas Christmas Concert for Kinders, Years 1, 2 and 3 at 10.30 a.m. Parents are invited.

7 th	Mass for all organised by Year 6 students to celebrate the feast of The Immaculate Conception at 8.30 a.m. Parents are invited. Rehearsal for Years 4, 5 and 6.
8 th	Feast of The Immaculate Conception
10 th	Cinema Day for all. More details will be given at a later date.
12 th	Confessions for Year 5 students Malta Textile Collection - Please send items in a closed garbage bag and not in a loose paper bag.
13 th	Holiday - Republic Day
14 th	Mass for Year 5 students
18 th	Christmas Activity for all the staff at 1.30 p.m.
19 th	Technical Rehearsal for Concert for Years 4, 5 and 6 (Kinders, Years 1, 2 and 3 audience). Photos will be taken by a professional photographer.
20 th	Christmas Concert followed by a party for Years 4, 5 and 6. Parents are invited. Concert will start at 8.15 sharp. Please be seated by 8.00 a.m. End of term - Christmas Class parties for KGs, Year 1, 2 and 3. School finishes at 12.00p.m.

Christmas Holidays - 21st December 2018 to 4th January, 2019

7th January 2018 - First day of Second Term

Pink October collection - We are pleased to inform you that the School Council managed to collect the sum of **€456.75** from students and staff from the pink October activity. These have been forwarded to Action for Breast Cancer Foundation.

Franciscan Missions Collection

The amount collected for the Franciscan Missions by KGs, Years 1, 2 and 3 amounted to **€664.17**. Missjo envelopes were collected by Years 4, 5 and 6. We will inform you about the total collected from these envelopes as soon as they give us the amount as these bags are sent unopened to Missjo Malta.

Winter School Uniform

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 are requested to come to school wearing Winter uniform including the cardigan. If weather is warm, they may take it off during school hours but need to wear it during dismissal time. Please make sure that all cardigans are clearly labelled.

Healthy Food Legal Notice

May we remind you about the legal notice No L.N. 266 of 2018 re healthy food. Attached please find list of permissible foods. We encourage you to refer to it before sending any food items to school.

Christmas Concert Photos

Photos / DVD will be taken by a professionals contracted by the school. You will then be able to order the photos/DVD at a later date.

Yours faithfully,



Sr. Giovannita Briffa
Head of School