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Dear Parents & Children,

Although the month of February is the shortest, I can assure you that this month is full of activities and exams. I hope the children have already started to revise and we encourage you to help them do this.

Hereunder please find activities for this month :

2nd Confessions for Year 3 Students

3rd Sr Giovannita's 50th anniversary Celebration.

4th Mass for Year 3 students

7th Year 1 students - An educational outing to Popeye Village's Animal Kingdom.

8th Ftira Day - Organised by P.T.A.

9th Teddy Bear Hospital for students of Years 1 & 2. Students are to bring their Teddy Bear. This is being organised by the Medical Students who aim to remove the fear that children feel when they visit the doctor.

Closing Date for the School's Dinja Waħda Photo Competition. No more entries will be accepted after this date.

Confessions for Year 6 Students.

10th St Paul's Feast - Public Holiday. Please note that it is obligatory to attend Mass.

11th Mass for Year 6 Students

14th - 18th Half Yearly exams for students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. See back for Time-tables

14th **Staff Meeting - School finishes at 11.30 a.m.**

18th Mass for Year 2 students in preparation for their First Holy Communion.

22nd Year 6 students will be visiting the Aviation Museum and the Basketball Courts at Ta' Qali. Students are to come in their P.E. uniform. The fee of €3 includes the entrance fee and transport.

23rd Malta Writing Programme for Parents and students of Year 6 from 8.15 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. a tour school hall. Parents are advised to bring writing material and a hard cardboard to write on.

Bible Quiz for Year 3 students. Three students from each class have been chosen but only the best 3 will participate.

24th Year 5.2 will be visiting the Maritime Museum as part of the Malta Writing Programme. The fee has already been collected.

Confessions for Year 5 students

25th Mass for Year 5 Students

Sports Fun Programme for Years 1 and 2 students. Students are to bring €3 for the fee and transport.

28th **Parents Day** for all students - Wise Owl will be holding a book fair in the school yard.

Half Yearly Exams Time-tables

| | Monday 14th | Tuesday 15th | Wednesday 16th | Thursday 17th | Friday 18th |
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| Year 3 | Social Studies Eng. Dictation English Reading | Eng Language Eng Listening Eng Rdg cont | Maltese Lang Maltese List Maltese Reading | Maths Malt Dictation Malt Rdg cont | Religion |
| Year 4 | Social Studies | Maltese + Malt Dictation | Maths + Maths Mental | Religion | English + Eng Dication |
| Year 5 | Eng List Comp Eng Language Eng Reading | Maths English Dictation | Malt List Comp Malt Language Maltese Reading | Social Studies Malt Dication | Religion Art / Craft |
| Year 6 | English | Maltese | Maths | Social Studies | Religion |

Important Notice for Year 6 Parents

In preparation for the National Benchmarking exams, we are holding an important session for all parents of Year 6 students organised by the Malta Writing Programme. This is going to be held on the 23rd February from 8.15 to 10.00 at our school hall.

Dinja Waħda Nature Photography Competition

During Parents Day, you will be able to see all the entries for this competition and the winning photos. A professional photographer will be choosing the best entr from students of Years 1 and 2, the best entry from students of Years 3 and 4 and the best entry from students of Years 5 and 6.

Carnival Activity

As is the usual custom, our school encourages students and parents to make a carnival float. The materials to be used are from recycleable materials. From past experience, we are very proud of the efforts and results of these floats. We also encourage the children to wear a carnival costume on the Friday 4th March when we will be having our Carnival Activities. A prize will be given to **the best costume made from recycleable material**. Ready made costumes will not be considered for the competition.

50th Anniversary Celebration

I take this opportunity to thank all students and parents for your contributions and donations to make this special day a memorable one. It was a big surprise and a wonderful experience. Each class prepared a card with everyone's signature. These were presented to me during assembly after a year 6 student asked me several questions, which I enjoyed replying very much. Two other Year 6 students recited prayers. I was also presented with a bouquet of flowers and a cake to commemorate the celebration.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I remain,
Yours faithfully,

Sr. Giovannita Briffa
Head of School