

Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

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Living, Loving and Learning in God's Way

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Headteacher's News

As you can imagine there has been lots of talk about how we make Christmas special for our children and families this year. We plan to keep as many of the traditions as possible and have been exploring how you can be a part of the children's preparations and celebrations.

Every class will be leading a 5-7 minute daily reflection each day of Advent. They will gather around our Advent wreath and lead a short reflection on an aspect of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. We plan to film these reflections and all classes will watch them at 2.30 each day. They will then be posted on the website and facebook page so that you can watch them at home as a family.

In place of the usual Nativity and Pavillions celebration, we are putting together a whole school Christmas presentation. Each class will tell a part of the Christmas Story in a creative way! Again this will be filmed and posted on the website and facebook page so that you can watch it at home.

Obviously, we therefore need permission from you to be able to include your child in this as the images will be available on the website and school facebook page. Although we have some permissions returned in September, there are a large number of children who do not have permission to be filmed/photographed. You will shortly be receiving a simple yes or no response from the office to give your permission - <u>it is essential that you return this form by the deadline given so that we can begin putting these events together.</u> If we do not receive permission from you then your child unfortunately will not be able to be part of the filming.

Christmas dinner is booked for 16th December and all the children will be making their usual festive hats for the occasion.

Important Information

Safeguarding

Due to an incident earlier this week where two Year 4 children left the school site, we have reviewed the risk assessment for the school in liaison with the Local Authority Health and Safety Team. All protocols were followed by staff effectively and the children were safely located. A report is being prepared for the Trust and Governing Body. As a result, the top gate onto Fraser Drive will be locked during the school day which means parents collecting or dropping off to school or the Nursery will need to walk around and up the drive.

Thank you!

Mrs Tucker would like to express her heartfelt thanks for all of the messages, cards and gifts she received upon her leaving us at half term. She was overwhelmed with your generosity and shows of appreciation and wanted you all to know she misses everyone so much already!

Disciples of the Week

W/B 2nd November Humility: living life in service to others

Estrella	
Olivia	
Laila	
Iris	
Kellen	
Millie	
Jacob M	

W/B 9th November
Peace: being a peacemaker to those around
us

Early Years	Haldor
Year 1	Marylou
Year 2	Patrick
Year 3	Archie
Year 4	Maddison
Year 5	Xavier
Year 6	Mary

Well done to you all!

Friends' News

We are getting very excited about the new logo design for The Friends which the children are working on!

Just to confirm, the deadline for entries has been extended to the 20th November to give everyone time to get their creative juices flowing.

Please hand logo entries into your teachers with your 50p entry fee. Good luck everyone!

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for wearing their pyjamas today to raise money for Children in Need!



