

Weekly Newsletter for week beginning 26th November 2018
Statement to live by for next week: Simple things can make us happy

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 who won the attendance trophy this week with 98.3% attendance.

Year Group	Percentage Attendance
Year R	91.7
Year 1	91.4
Year 2	98.3
Year 3	91.9
Year 4	97
Year 5	96.7
Year 6	92.5

Travelling Crib

You will have received a letter this week about the “Travelling Crib”. This year there is another opportunity for families to take part in this project, which is to help us remember the journey Mary and Joseph made to Bethlehem, and as a family to stop and think about the true meaning of Christmas. Each class has a box containing a small crib and a booklet. If you wish to join in with the project, please return the letter to state you would like to receive the travelling crib and your child will bring the crib home for one night.

Holiday dates Consultation

A reminder that any parents wishing to return their preferences from the consultation letter about holiday dates that was sent out last week must do so by Friday 7th December. The letter is available on the school website to download as well.

Following the responses from parents we will then be releasing our holiday dates for 2019-2020 in order that parents can book holidays in advance and avoid booking holidays during term time.

Christmas Lunch

A reminder that next week on Thursday 6th December, Mrs Borthwick and the catering team will be preparing a Christmas lunch for all pupils who have booked this.

Advent Wreath Decorating

On Friday the children in each class took time to decorate their Advent Wreaths for class. I have to say that they all look fantastic and each and every one is unique, which is lovely to see. I would like to thank all parents and pupils who remembered to bring in “greenery” to help to decorate the wreaths.

On Monday we will be celebrating whole school Mass at Christ the King church. The children will be taking their class Advent Wreaths down to church to be blessed during the Mass. If you are able to, please do come and join us at 9:15am to celebrate the first week of Advent.



First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the Year 4 pupils who took the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time last Saturday. I know that all of the children had a wonderful day.

If you would like to enrol your child on the programme for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion (Pupils in Year 3 and above) or for the Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6) for this year, please do speak to Fr. Paul after Mass and he will be able to give you more details.

Mass Times:

We are approaching the season of Advent, an important period in the liturgical calendar. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to remind our parents of the weekend Mass times. The anticipation of counting down the days to the birth of our Lord and the preparation for this is an exciting and reflective time. I would encourage you during this period up to Christmas to attend Mass each week with your children, to involve them fully in this special preparation time.

At Christ the King, Saturday Mass is at 6.00pm and Sunday Mass is at 10:00am. Please attend whichever Mass suits you best. It is important that children preparing for Sacraments attend Mass whenever possible on a weekly basis.

Sporting Events

This week a group of our Year 6 pupils went to Cardinal Heenan High School to participate in a city wide cross country running event. The children all did very well, particularly given the wet and muddy conditions. I hear that there were a few hills to run up as well and it was a challenging running course. Well done to all those who took part!

Members from our Year 4/5/6 football team played against a football team (majority Year 6) from Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Primary School. Although final score was 3-0 to Our Lady of Good Counsel, the children all played very well.



Dates for your diary

03.12.18 – Whole School Advent Mass at church
05.12.18 – 9:15am Tour for New Reception Parents
11.12.18 – 2:00pm Year R Nativity performance
12.12.18 – 9:30am Year R Nativity performance
12.12.18 – 1:30pm – KS1 Christmas Production
13.12.18 – 9:30am – KS1 Christmas Production
18.12.18 – Whole School Mass
21.12.18 – Charity fundraiser Christmas Jumper Day
21.12.18 – End of Autumn Term

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