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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 19thDecember 2014**



**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**







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| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| This week we started our new RE topic of Advent. Advent means coming. We think of the coming of Jesus, when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. Discuss with the children how your family welcome visitors to your home. Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent eg. Advent Wreath, calendar and Jesse tree. |

**Our school Prayer**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families of the world

**Amen**

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| **Admission to school September 2015**  Two letters regarding admissions have been sent home today. One is from school, regarding Admissions for 2015, the other is from Liverpool Archdiocese for 2016 admissions. Changes to admission policies have been made and there is a consultation period between 17th December and 23rd February 2015.  Further information regarding changes can be found on the school website. Parents can also ask for hard copies of these documents from the school office. Any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school. |

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| **What’s happened this week?** | |
| **Ecumenical Service**  Many thanks to everyone who attended the service on Tuesday. This was a lovely coming together of the whole community to celebrate the birth of Jesus in a very poignant way. Congratulations to all the children who participated, to the choir for beautiful singing and to Iris Williams on winning the drawing competition for the programme. Special thanks to Mrs McConnell for organising the service and preparing the choir so well.  **Whole School Pantomime**  The children had a lovely afternoon yesterday at The Brindley.  **Y6 Christmas Carol Singing**  Many thanks to everyone who came along to support the children on Monday. They had a lovely day. We collected £308.14 which is absolutely fantastic and this will be sent to CAFOD as soon as we return in January.  **Grandparents’ Party**  Many thanks to everyone who came along to the party on Monday. It was lovely to see so many of you come along and support the children. Many thanks to Mrs Edge and Mrs Davison who arranged the afternoon so well.  **Y3 IPad Day**  Mr Alan Ellis from Knowsley CLC’s came into school to work with the children on the IPads. The children were fabulous and enjoyed the day immensely. The children started to make a game using algorithms and blogged about their work. | |
| **Christmas Mass Times**  **24th December**  6.30pm St. Basil’s  6.30pm St. John Fisher  6.30pm St. Michael’s (Children’s Mass)  7.00pm Holy Family Cronton  11.30pm St Bede’s (Readings and Carols)  Midnight St Bede’s (Pastoral Area Mass)  **25th December**  08.30am St. Bede’s  09.00am St. Marie’s & Holy Family Cronton  09.30am St Pius’  10.00am St. Raphael’s  10.00am Our Lady’s  10.30am St John Fisher  10.45am St Bede’s |
| **Service of Reconciliation**  (including the opportunity for individual confession)  **Friday 19th** **December**  at **7.30pm** **in St Bede’s**  **Extended opportunity for**  **Individual Confession**  **on Saturday, 20th December 11am to 1pm**  **in Our Lady’s church and St Bede’s church**  **Confessions will also be heard before 9am Mass on Sunday 21st December at Holy Family Church in Cronton** |

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| **Spotlight on Y2**  **This week we made Montys (penguins) from the tv advert. We made them from black card and made cylinder shapes. We used small triangles for the feet.**  **We also made crackers from cardboard but Miss wouldn’t let us peek inside.**  **We also made stockings and had to sew with needles. I liked doing it. It was really easy to make the zig zag stitches.**  **Many thanks to Connie and Kian** |

**After School Clubs**

All clubs will begin again w/c 12th January.

All children will be notified of the clubs they will be able to

start in the first week back.

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| **Diary Dates** | |
| **January 2015** | |
| Monday 5th | Return to school @ 8.55am |
| Monday 12th | After school clubs to begin |
| Monday 19th –  Wednesday 21st | Y5 children visit to Robinwood |
| **May 2015** | |
| Saturday 9th | Holy Communion & Confirmation @ 10am & 12pm |

**And finally…**

On behalf of all the staff I would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas. May God bless you and keep you safe throughout 2015.

Best Wishes

Mrs Hannah

