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Weekly Newsletter
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Following in Jesus' footsteps...

We pray together

We play together

We learn together



Come and See



Our RE Theme for the last few weeks has been the topic of loving, Advent. Each day during our Advent meditation we have reflected on being loving, patient, kind and respectful as we prepare for Christmas. We have asked the children to share these values with you at home.

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.

Attendance for week ending 2nd December 2016

Year	Attendance	Weeks Won
R	96.3%	4
1	95.8%	1
2	98.4%	2
3**	99.3%	4
4	98.1%	3
5	96.7%	1
6	94.8%	1

Whole School: 97%
National average is 96.3%
Well done Y3 Class, you are our class of the week





Year Group	Star of the Week This is awarded to one child in each class who has been identified as showing our value of Loving.	Golden Table
Reception	Erin	Leyla Joshua Kai Hallie
Year 1	Jessica	Charlotte Eve Aimee Freya
Year 2	Jack	Luke Scarlett George Katie
Year 3	Adam	Lauren Lucas Dylan Tilly
Year 4	Tailor	Paris Francesca Jack Ben
Year 5	Erin	Harry George Isabel Maisy
Year 6	Emily	Maisie Ava Christopher Mikey
Mathematician of the Week Samuel - Reception, Lily - Y1, Michael - Y2, Casey - Y3, Sophie - Y4, Ralfie - Y5, Saul - Y6	Reader of the Week Leyla - Reception, Oscar - Y1, Katie - Y2, Lauren - Y3, Olivia - Y4, Sean - Y5, Matthew - Y6	Writer of the Week Alice - Reception, Amelie - Y1, Amelia - Y2, Jacob - Y3, Freddy - Y4, Sophie - Y5, Libbi - Y6

Well done to all the children involved.

What's happened recently?

Reception Play

The children in the Reception Class performed their play "A Christmas Star" on Tuesday morning and were absolutely brilliant. I'm sure you will agree that this is even more special considering that they have only been in school for nearly four months. Congratulations Reception, you were amazing☺. Many thanks to Mrs Mitchell, Ms Connolly and Miss Hindley who prepared the children so well.

Sky Try Rugby Tournament

Y4 children took part in a Sky Try Rugby League tournament at Widnes Stadium on Wednesday morning. The children had a lovely morning and were great.

Carol Singing at Widnes Stadium

The choir attended the Vikings Golden Generation Christmas Party at the Stadium Café on Wednesday and sang beautifully. We received lots of praise regarding the behaviour of the children and would like to thank Mrs Evans for arranging this lovely afternoon and all the staff who prepared the choir so well☺.

Earlier today we received a lovely note from Mrs Pheysey who said that the children were a credit to the school. Well done, we are very proud of you☺.

Y5 Robinwood

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the meeting regarding Robinwood. We hope you all found the meeting informative and now have an idea of the different activities the children will be taking part in. I'm sure the children will have a wonderful time and we hope that the weather will be good.

Christmas Dinner

Many thanks to everyone who has now replied for their child to enjoy this special meal with us. If your child does not wish to have the Christmas Dinner children will need to bring their packed lunch on the day.

Photographs

Many thanks for the orders for school photographs. We look forward to receiving the orders which will be distributed before we finish for Christmas.

Christmas Cards

The order has now been delivered and we have given all cards to the children to take home. We hope that you are pleased with them☺. Many thanks for your support with this project.

What's coming up soon

Morning Playground

We would be grateful if parents would please be aware that children should line up each morning when the bell is rung. If children enter the classrooms when the doors have been closed they will be marked as late even if they have been on the school grounds. We are becoming more aware of children playing on the apparatus and school fields and not being ready to enter the classes. We appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

Carol singing

Children in the Y6 class will be singing at Asda in Widnes on Friday 16th December. I'm sure that the children will be wonderful and if you are able to pop along to see them your support would be much appreciated. The class will be raising funds for CAFOD.

Y6 Rejoice & Together Day

On Friday 20th January you are all invited to Pray, Play and Learn with the Y6 class. The afternoon will begin at 1.45pm and all are welcome to attend.



Ecumenical Service

On Tuesday 13th December the school will be taking part in the Village Ecumenical Service which will begin at the Memorial Gardens for the switch on of the Christmas Tree at 7pm. We recently held a Christmas Card competition and the winner was Ella McDonnell in Y3. Ella and her parents will be VIPs on the evening alongside the winner of Cronton CE School and the Mayor of Knowsley. All are invited to the service which will begin at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church.

KS2 Concert

The children in Y3 - Y5 will be entertaining you all on Monday and Tuesday night from 4pm-5pm. We do hope that you will be able to come along and join us. All are welcome and tickets are not required

KS1 Concert

The children in Y1 and Y2 will be entertaining you all on Wednesday and Thursday night from 4pm-5pm. Tickets are not required and we look forward to seeing you all. All are welcome.

Seel Street

This afternoon we enjoyed a special visit from two Sisters of Mercy who shared the story of Mother Theresa with the children.

During the performances next week we will be collecting items for the homeless from Seel Street. We would be grateful for donations of toiletries and gloves, scarves, socks and underwear.

Money

We have noticed that a lot of people are coming to the school office to try to pay for different items. We would like to remind everyone that due to financial procedures we are not allowed to take money at the office. All monies need to be given to children, in clearly marked envelopes, who will hand it in to the teaching assistant in each class. This is then entered into a class book and counter signed at the office. Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

Twitter

We are aware that some of our parents are not on twitter but you are able to access twitter through the parentapp by clicking on more and then school website, if you scroll down you should see twitter at the bottom. You do not need to sign up for this.

Christmas Mass Times
Christmas Eve
6pm @ St Michael's, St Basil's, St Bede's and St John Fisher
Midnight Mass at St Bede's
Christmas Day
8.30am @ St Michael's
9am @ St Bede's
10am @ St John Fisher's
10.30am @ St Michael's
11.15am @ St Bede's

Spotlight on Reception

This week we have been learning about lots of special people. I was a King and I was an Angel in the play and Leo was the little Star. Our mummies and daddies came and I wasn't worried. We have been doing our Big Write about the Manger and baby Jesus. I was born on Christmas day too and I was very little. There were lots of animals, cows and sheep and they eat straw and grass. We have been making Christmas cards and learning about special words like Advent, family, Jesus and Christmas. We have been singing the twelve days of Christmas which I like. I have been learning about number 3 at home and in school we have been counting to ten and learning more and less than. I know that one more than 8 is 9.
Many thanks to Sophia and Carolina

School Council

The School Council would like to thank everyone who donated all food items for the Halton Food Bank. The School Council will be taking all items to the Food Bank next week.

We would like to thank you all for your generosity.

PTFA

Christmas Discos

Many thanks to everyone who supported the discos this week. We hope that you all enjoyed them and especially the special visit from Santa. We raised £600 which is fabulous.

Diary Dates

December

Monday 12 th	Y3 - Y5 Christmas Concert @ 4pm - 5pm
Tuesday 13 th	Y3 - Y5 Christmas Concert @ 4pm - 5pm
Tuesday 13 th	Ecumenical Service in Church
Wednesday 14 th	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Concert @ 4pm - 5pm
Thursday 15 th	Y1 & Y2 Christmas Concert @ 4pm - 5pm
Thursday 15 th	Whole school Christmas lunch
Friday 16 th	Y6 Carol Singing Asda and Widnes Stadium Dementia Café 2.30pm-3.00pm
Monday 19 th	Whole School Pantomime @ The Brindley
Wednesday 21 st	Break Up @ 2pm

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Tuesday 3 rd	Return to school - Bell at 8.55am
Friday 20 th	Y6 Rejoice & Together Day @ 1.45pm

And finally...

The school value we will be focusing on next week will be

Honesty

Speak to your children about the importance
of being honest with one another.



We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Hannah