



St Joseph's Weekly News



Friday 1st December 2017

Dear Parents,

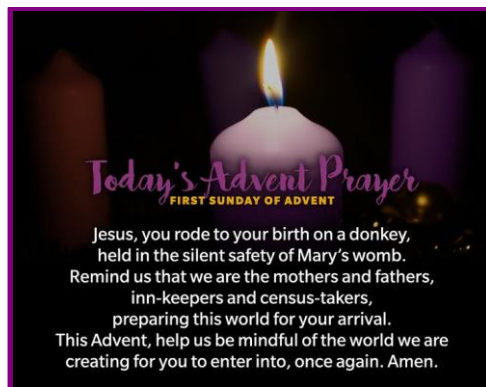
December has arrived...I daren't even think about what I've got to do at home...hopefully the Christmas Fairy will sort it all out for me!



As always, this is an incredibly busy time of year in school with preparations for so many special events and celebrations taking place, alongside lots of hard work in lessons still taking place. The boys and girls never cease to amaze us with their enthusiasm for learning and 'focus' despite all of the excitement of the festive season, both in and out of school.

This Sunday sees the start of the Advent season, and during the last week all of the classes have been looking at this special time of year as we prepare for Christmas. Please remember that we will be holding our Advent Service on Tuesday 5th December 2017 at 9:15am in the School Hall and you are all welcome to join us for this special celebration as Year 6 decorate our Christmas tree and reflect on the importance of the days leading up to the celebration of Jesus' birth on Christmas Day.

Thought of the Week



Christmas Fete

During the course of today, a 'mini army' of PTA members/helpers have been in school busily preparing for tomorrow's Christmas Fete...including sorting all of your very generous donations today...thank you! The funds raised by the PTA are increasingly important as school budgets continue to be cut and your support in raising money to further support our boys and girls is essential. With this in mind, we look forward to welcoming you all to tomorrow's Christmas Fete which begins at 12:00pm. Make sure to get here early to book your Santa visit slot!

Chaplaincy Team/School Choir Enjoy A Cuppa!

On Monday 27th November the Chaplaincy Team and the School Choir visited the parish centre to share afternoon tea with the elderly members of the parish. Well done to the boys and girls who attended the parish tea for the over sixties yesterday. While the Chaplaincy team worked hard serving tea, coffee and biscuits, the choir concentrated on the social side, chatting to the people there about all sorts of things. The choir then sang a few songs, which was clearly enjoyed by all as so many people joined in. The Chaplaincy Team then handed out Christmas cards and the biscuits they'd made as gifts which were very well received by all concerned. Thank you to Mrs Skelton and Mrs O'Connor for their help with this.

School Christmas Dinner

The children will enjoy their school Christmas dinner on Monday 11th December 2017. Please note that school closes at 1:00pm on this day.

End of Term Celebrations

The End of Term Mass scheduled for Wednesday 20th December has been cancelled. Therefore, our final Christmas 'celebration' will be the Advent Carol Service which takes place in St. Joseph's Church at 2:00pm on Tuesday 19th December. This year, there should be a little more seating available but it will still be at a premium! Please do not enter the church on this day until all of the children have been seated (approximately 1:45pm).

Stars of the Week			
Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Sienna R and James	Esme and Mattias	Alexander F and Isabella V	James and Sebastian
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jayden and Mickaela	Annie and Angel	Nicola and Callum	Alexia and Christina



Writers of the Week		
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Avril	Melisa	Olivia
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Aurelie	Aurora	Ava

This Week's Winners

House Points

Matthew

Attendance Award

YEAR 1

99.3%

Important Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
Monday 4 th December	7:00pm	PTA Meeting
Tuesday 5 th December	9.15am	Advent Assembly
Thursday 7 th December	-	PTA Panto
Thursday 7 th December	3.30 – 5.30pm	CHEXS Christmas Craft
Monday 11 th December	12noon	Christmas Dinner
Monday 11 th December	1.00pm	School Closes Early
Wednesday 13 th December	11:00am	Nursery Sing A Long
Wednesday 13 th December	12.30pm	Year 6 Carol Singing – Waltham Cross
Thursday 14 th December	2:00pm	Christmas Nativity
Friday 15 th December	-	PTA Class Parties
Tuesday 19 th December	2:00pm	Carols In Church
Wednesday 20th December	9.10am	End of Term Mass CANCELLED
Wednesday 20 th December	1.30pm	School Finishes for Christmas
Monday 8 th January 2018	-	School Closed -INSET Day
Tuesday 9 th January 2018	8.40am	School Closed -INSET Day
Wednesday 10 th January 2018	8.40am	School Opens - Pupils Return

SEE YOU AT THE FETE!

WEEK THREE – MENU CHOICES

Week Commencing: 4th December * 15th January * 5th February * 5th March * 26th March

DAY	RED	GREEN	JACKET POTATO	YELLOW
MAGIC MONDAY	Pork Grill with TomatoRice	Cheese Slice with Potato Wedges	Italian Pasta Bake	Tuna Baguette
FRUITY TUESDAY	Lasagne with Side Salad	Vegetable Cobbler with Diced Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Ham Baguette
ROAST WEDNESDAY	Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Potatoes	Vegetarian Burrito with Pasta	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Chicken Roll
TASTY THURSDAY	Traditional Chicken Pie with Creamed Potatoes	Quorn Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Tuna Pasta Bake	Cheese Roll
FISH FRIDAY	Bubble Coated Fish with Chips or Wholemeal Pasta	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Chips or Pasta Choice	Jacket Potato with Ratatouille	Egg Roll



Christmas Lunch

Roast Turkey, Chipolata
Served with Sage & Onion Stuffing
Gravy

OR

Roast Quorn Fillet (V)
Served with Sage & Onion Stuffing
Gravy

Roast Potatoes
with
Seasonal Vegetables

Christmas Ice Cream
Seasonal Biscuit
or
Chocolate Krispie Pudding
