

Learning to love, loving to learn.



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This half-term has started well and you should have received your class newsletter outlining the learning planned for the coming weeks. Further details of the curriculum and End of Year Expectations can be found on the school website. A new website is in the final stages of development and will be launched very soon; details of the launch will follow shortly.

Parents Evenings follow-up

It was great to see so many of you at the recent Parents Evenings. Together we now need to help the children achieve their targets. All children need to learn their number bonds and times tables. These number facts are essential mathematical knowledge and children need to recall them with ease and automaticity as part of the new National Curriculum. Handwriting too is a target for most children, as joined legible handwriting is essential from Year 2 upwards. Please support your children in developing these essentials. "Practice makes perfect!".

Christmas Cards

The winners of our Christmas Card Competition were Georgie (Year 2) and Maja (Year3). Thank you to all the children who took part. Their winning designs have been printed and are now available to buy in packs of 10 (5 of each design) for £4. These are our first School Christmas Cards and the proceeds will go towards supporting the Year 6 School Journey. These will be sold after school and at the Christmas Fair. Please support us.

Medicines in Schools

The policy is available on the school website along with the necessary paperwork. Only medicines prescribed by your doctor can be administered by our trained first aiders in accordance with the instructions on the prescription label. We cannot administer Calpol or Cough Medicine. You are welcome to come in to school or to make arrangements for a close family member to come in to administer the medication if necessary. Please read the policy and if your child needs to take prescribed medication during the school day please complete the necessary form and hand it to a first aider with the medication.

Christmas Activities

The Christmas Fair is only a few weeks away, if you could help in any way please sign up at the office and someone will get back to you. If you have any contacts who would like to donate a raffle prize please see Mrs Malone. All proceeds from the fair come back to the children to make Christmas memorable - it pays for the pantomime by the Globe Players and extra treats for the Christmas Lunch.

Reminder - Dates for your diary

Friday 2 December	Nursery Nativity (11.00am) Mufti Day in exchange for a donation Christmas Fair (3.45 - 6.00pm)
Monday 5 December	First Holy Communion Meeting (5.00pm)
Tuesday 6 December	KS1 Christmas Production (2.30pm)
Friday 9 December	Reception Nativity (11.00am) Christmas Disco (3.30 - 6.00pm)
Sunday 11 December	First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass (10.00am)
Tuesday 13 December	KS2 Christmas Production (7.00pm)
Wednesday 14 December	Winter Sounds Concert at Burntwood Christmas Lunch
Thursday 15 December	Globe Players - Paintomime
Friday 16 December	School Closes - Christmas Holidays (2.00pm) (Children return Wednesday 4 January 2017)

After School Clubs

Finally - please remember for Health and Safety reasons we cannot allow parents and/or siblings to wait inside the building. Thank you for your cooperation. Most after school clubs will finish on 9 December. (After school clubs will resume the second week back from 9 January 2017).

Yours sincerely

Mrs Yvonne Wozniak
Headteacher

