



Our Lady and St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

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Newsletter – 24th November 2017

We finished our week with a wonderful class assembly from Y4 on Road Safety which gave us all some very important messages. We have quite a number of events coming up over the festive season to which our children have been invited to sing. A letter should be arriving home today outlining these events and asking for your support by bringing your child along, I know these events are outside of school hours but we do like to support the events within our own community and would love a really good number of children there to sing. This year our KS2 carol service will be held in church one evening after school. Please see dates below and keep this evening free if you have a child in KS2. A letter has also come home tonight detailing the initial meetings for sacramental preparation if you would like your child to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation this year. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Suzie Wilson - Head Teacher

Key Diary Dates

Thursday November 30th 5.30pm – Initial meeting for parents of First Holy Communion children

Friday December 1st 9.15am – Celebration Assembly, Parents welcome

Friday December 1st from 1.30pm - Advent Activity Afternoon – parents welcome in school to help us get ready for Christmas.

Thursday December 7th 5.15pm – Children to sing at the Festive Fayre to be held at Farmers Fayre in Stoneleigh Park.

Friday December 8th – Dress down day in exchange for a bottle

Saturday December 9th – School Christmas Fair 11am – 2pm

Tuesday December 12th 9.30am – Reception Nativity with Butterflies nursery

Thursday December 14th – KS1 Nativity Play 2.30pm

Thursday December 14th 7.30pm – Children to sing at the Cubbington Christmas Civic Service at St Mary's Church.

Friday December 15th – KS1 Nativity Play 10am

Tuesday December 19th – KS2 Carol Service 6pm in church

Friday December 22nd – Christmas Mass 2pm in school.

We Need Your Help

Our PTA has put us forwards for an Aviva Community Grant which would go towards books for our new library space when it is transformed. We need your help to get our bid as many votes as we possibly can. You can vote here

<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-4337>

please vote and get all your friends and family to vote for us too!

Primary Admissions

If you have a child whose birthday falls between 01.09.2013 and 31.08.2014 you need to apply now for a primary school place for your child in September 2018. Apply online at

<http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool>

Closing date for applications is 15th January 2018.

We are a Catholic School but welcome all who are sympathetic to our ethos – please take a closer look at our admissions policy on our website for further details.

Attendance

Our attendance target is 96%

Reception – 99.4%

Yr1 – 82.3%

Yr2 – 95.9%

Yr3 – 95.5%

Yr4 – 88.9%

Yr5 – 95.2%

Yr6 – 90%

Whole school – 92.3%

Whole school since September – 95.6%



Our forest school provision is incredibly important to us here at school and we like to get the children outside learning new skills or applying their skills in different ways as much as we possibly can. We were very lucky to win some further training and funding for our forest school as a result of a successful bid from our PTA. This has enabled us to buy some new equipment to help support our sessions so a huge thank you to the PTA for this. Y4 enjoyed forest school today and were all cosy round the fire with hot chocolates when I popped down!

Sacramental Meetings

Please join us at church on Thursday November 30th at 5.30pm for a First Holy Communion parents meeting. An initial meeting for confirmation will take place in January.



PTA Wine Raffle

Between now and November 30th you can purchase raffle tickets from either a member of the PTA (who you can usually find on the playground) or you can leave your money with the school office. Tickets cost £1 and you can purchase as many as you would like. During the 15 school days in December a ticket will be drawn and you will win a bottle of wine. Winning tickets return to the pot too so you could in fact win 15 bottles of wine if you were really really lucky!



Advent activity Afternoon

On Friday December 1st we will be getting our school ready to begin the wonderful season of advent and we would like to invite parents/carers into school for the afternoon to help us get ready. You will be able to work with your children in their classes on advent arts and crafts and help us set up our school ready for this festive time. There will be mince pies and a warm cuppa on offer too.

PTA Fundraiser

Personalised Christmas cards, mugs, coasters and keyrings will be available to purchase featuring your child's own festive design. A drawing template will be sent home for all KS1 children with order form attached – although this is open to all, we do not want to waste paper and the event was much more popular last year in KS1 than KS2, so we have attached a PDF along with this week's newsletter for you to print at home or pick up an order form from the school office. For each item sold commission will be paid to your PTA funds. Please return all order forms with payment to a PTA member or school office by Friday 1st December. All orders will be delivered back to school by Monday 18th December.

Christmas Fair

Saturday December 9th is our school Christmas Fair and we would love to have as much support as possible on the day. There will be lots of festive activities for all the family to really get you in the Christmas spirit. The fair is being held from 11am – 2pm and some of our wonderful children will be singing Christmas Carols at 11am to start us all off in the best way. Come on down – it is sure to be a wonderfully festive day.