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Friday 29th November 2024

Dear Parents/carers,

Another busy week in school and lots to report!

Y6 Residential:

Our Y6 children had a wonderful time on residential this week, Mr. Kilner was amazed by the outstanding behaviour and attitudes of the pupils who went! It was lovely to see so many updates on X and watching what they were up to. We would also like to thank Mr. Kilner, Mrs. Tryba and Mrs. Corner for accompanying the children.

A special shoutout must go to Freddie and Chelsea who stayed in school and were absolute superstars helping with Reception and Year 1 children and helping with prep for the Christmas Fayre!

Maths Showcase:

Thank you to everyone who attended the maths showcase after school, it was lovely to see children sharing their work with parents.



KS1 Snuggle up with a book:

We would like to invite FS, Y1 and Y2 parents into class on Friday 13th December to share a festive story with your child. Please access this through the fire door of your child's class at 2.50pm. We will have a selection of stories and Christmas colouring available for you to read and complete with your child!



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Christmas dinner/party menu:

Please return all slips for Christmas dinner and party day as soon as possible please.

Christmas Fayre:

Thank you to everyone who attended our wonderful Christmas fayre today, your support is greatly appreciated. We will release the total funds raised next week.

Packed Lunches:

It has been brought to our attention that a number of children are swapping items from their packed lunches. Due to the number of allergies in school it is vital this is no longer taking place. We will be speaking to the children about this in school.

Dinner Debts:

Please ensure that all dinner debts are cleared as a matter of urgency.

Parking:

Please Park considerately when dropping children off and at collection times. We are receiving an increasing number of telephone calls from residents who are unable to access their garage/property during these times.

Please do not use the school drive, there is no access for cars at any point.

Christmas Dates for the diary:

We are heading to the busiest and best time of the year in school and want parents to have dates of the wonderful festivities in advance.

Friday 29th November- School Christmas Fayre.

Wednesday 4th December- Advent Mass, 2.15pm in the school hall.

Tuesday 10th December - Christingle @ St. Paul's. Unfortunately, due to space and health and safety we are NOT inviting parents to this event.

Friday 13th December- Christmas Dinner Day, we would like to invite children to wear their Christmas jumpers on this day.

Tuesday 17th December- afternoon performance of the Christmas concerts. (Times will be released closer to the date.)



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Wednesday 18th December- evening performance of the Christmas concerts. (Times will be released closer to the date.)

Wednesday 18th December- Christmas parties! Children are invited to wear their party clothes on this day.

Thursday 19th December- carols around the tree @ 2pm.

Friday 20th December- Reception nativity in church @ 10am. (Reception and Y6 parents only please.)

Church Christmas Dates for St. Mary's and St. Paul's:

November 30: Christmas Fair at St Paul's

December 1: Service for the Hospice at St Mary's at 15:30

December 12: Blue light Carol Service at St Mary's at 18:00

December 19: Civic Carol Service at St Mary's at 16:00

December 24: Christingle at St Paul's at 18:00

December 24: Midnight Mass at St Paul's at 22:00

December 25: Christmas Mass at St Mary's at 11:00

Weekly Attendance:

Class:	Percentage:
FS2	95.24%
Year 1	97.85%
Year 2	99.72%
Year 3	94.54%
Year 4	94.44%
Year 5	98.39%
Year 6	95.32%

Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to continuing to work with you as the year progresses.

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