



Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another busy week in school! Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 are all busy practising for their various Christmas performances and liturgies, they sound great already! On Wednesday night, the choir took part in the Bournemouth Schools' Carol Service at the Pavilion, joining with other primary and secondary schools from our local area. It was a super occasion and a lovely (if early) start to the festive season. Thanks so much to Mrs Smith and Mrs Jones for taking the children to rehearsals and for training them so well!

School Mass at the Annunciation

We really hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us for our 'school' Mass at the Annunciation at 11.00am this Sunday 26th November. It is the feast of Christ the King, and we will be singing a lot of hymns that the children know well and enjoy. We would like the children to represent the school by coming along in their school uniform, and sitting together at the front of the church. Thank you to those children who have offered to read or carry out a ministry.

Children in Need

Thank you for your kind donations to Children in Need – we raised a storming £447.50!

Christmas Raffle

Thank you to every one who has donated to our Christmas raffle. We are still in need of prizes, so will launch the raffle next week. If you are able to donate, please let us know. Thanks in advance.

Christmas fun night

Tickets are now on sale for our Christmas fun night! You should buy the ticket via WisePay – we will give it to your child before the event takes place on **Wednesday, 6th December**. All children are invited to come back into school at 4.00pm in their comfy clothes (pyjamas welcome) children in KS1 and Reception will be able to watch a performance by Krazy Kev in the school hall. They should be collected at 5.30pm. Children in KS2 have a chance to watch a Christmas movie with their year group. They should be collected at 5.45pm. Tickets will cost £4.00 – this will include a drink and some sweets. This is our main fundraiser for school funds this year – I really hope that you will be able to support us (maybe a chance for the grown ups to do some Christmas shopping while the children are entertained in school!)

Christmas jumpers

Don't forget we are hoping to hold a Christmas jumper sale on **Wednesday 29th November** from 2.30pm till 3.00pm. Now's your chance to dig out any jumpers that your child (or yourselves!) have grown out of, please send them into school before Wednesday, and we can sell them on – raising funds and recycling at the same time!

Christmas Performances

Just a reminder of the dates for our upcoming performances:

Reception:

Performance 1: Wed 6th Dec, 9.30am - Child's surname A - G

Performance 2: Thurs 7th Dec, 9.30am – Child's surname H - Z Year 1 and 2 (Joint performance!)

Performance 1: Wed 6th Dec, 1.30pm – Child's surname A-E

Performance 2: Thurs 7th Dec, 1.30pm – Child's surname F- M

Performance 3: Fri 8th Dec, 1.30pm – Child's surname N- Z

Year 4 Advent service will take place in the Annunciation Church on Monday 11th December at 6.30pm.

The children and staff have decided that they would like any money collected from their performances to go to Save the Children. You can bring cash along to the performance, but if you would prefer to pay via WisePay, that would be very much appreciated as we try to avoid having cash in the office. Thank you in advance – we love to encourage our children to use their talents to help others in need.

Reverse Advent Calendar

The Advent boxes for the Food Bank are already well under way in each class – thank you so much for your generosity.

Christmas cards

The Christmas post box will be going up in school from Tuesday, 5th December, so please don't send any cards in before then. Please make sure that cards are clearly marked with the name and class of the child they are destined for – so the posties don't get confused! Could I ask, please do not put any sweets or chocolates in the cards, as some children in the school have allergies. Many thanks.

Christmas lunch

Last date to order a Christmas lunch (for the 13th December) is Friday 1st December. Order via WisePay, thanks.

Stars of the Week:

Super Role Model:

RP: Elisia; RJ: Maja; 1JC: Ben; 1WH: Chloe; 2NW: Ruby; 2ML: Mark-Jacob; 3BM: Luka; 3NL: Alessia; 4CY: Mia; 4CR: Angelina; 5RD: Will; 5RH: Ciara; 6KB: Ryan; 6PM: Emmanuel.

Learning Champion:

RP: Ifechukwu; RJ: Jacob; 1JC: Ryan; 1WH: Jamie; 2NW: Archie; 2ML: Jasmine; 3BM: Harrison; 3NL: Jack; 4CY: Victor; 4CR: Joel; 5RD: Hannah; 5RH: Abigail; 6KB: Hania; 6PM: Maggie.

Dates for your diary:

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| Sun 26 th Nov | 11am | School Mass at the Annunciation |
| Wed 29 th Nov | 2.30 – 3.30pm | Christmas Jumper Sale |
| Mon 4th Dec | All day | Staff training day – School closed for children |
| Wed 6 th Dec | 9.30am | Reception performance A-G |
| Wed 6 th Dec | 1.30pm | Year 1 & 2 performance A-E |
| Wed 6th Dec | 4 - 5.30pm | Christmas fun night |
| Thurs 7 th Dec | 9.30am | Reception performance H – Z |
| Thurs 7 th Dec | 1.30pm | Year 1 & 2 performance F – M |
| Fri 8 th Dec | 1.30pm | Year 1 & 2 performance N-Z |
| Mon 11 th Dec | 6.30pm | Year 4 Advent Service at the Annunciation – more info to follow |
| Wed 13 th Dec | All day | Christmas party day |
| Fri 15 th Dec | 2.50pm | End of term – Christmas Jumper Day |

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

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