St Walburga's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Friday, 21st November 2025 — Number 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely seeing some of you in school this week for the Year 2 Celebration of the Word and for 5JC's class Mass on Thursday – joining together in prayer is one of the parts of our Mission Statement and we are so grateful to those of you who are able to make it.

Today, we had a visitor from MyTime Young carers, who spoke to the children about the work this great charity do to support young people who are caring for someone at home.

Thank you for your continued support with the school street – it is very much appreciated. The children really seem to be getting into the swing of it now, and lots of them have commented on how much they are enjoying it. **Can I remind you – and ask you to remind your children – that there are certain vehicles, including a bus which will come down the road during the closure times, your children should not play in the road and they must remain vigilant at all times.**

Diocesan building fund

You may be aware that much of the upkeep of our school building is managed through the Diocesan building fund. This is a fund which every school in the diocese pays into, and can then access for major projects. We have benefitted hugely from this fund in the past – for example, the huge project of replacing our windows in the summer was paid for through this. Our bill for the Autumn term has come in, and it is £3900. A payment of £30 per child per term would help us to cover this cost, and I am asking you to help us if you can do so at all. We have to pay the full £3900, regardless of what we receive in contributions: as you can imagine any shortfall has to come from our already stretched budget! If you can help at all, even if you cannot pay the full £30, please do so via WisePay. Many, many thanks.

Christmas Jumper sale

Thank you to those of you who have sent in Christmas jumpers that your family have outgrown – they don't have to be school age jumpers, we will sell all shapes and sizes! This sale is great on so many levels – raises funds for school, recycles clothing and prepares for Christmas jumper day on the last day of the Christmas term (Friday, 19th December). If you have any Christmas jumpers that your child (or yourself) has grown out of, please send them into school by Friday 28th November – we will have a sale in the hall on Thursday 4th December from 2.30 to 3.15 – come along and snap up a bargain!

Christmas Fun Night

Tickets are now on sale for the Christmas fun night, which is on **Wednesday, 10th 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. KS1 Children must be collected at 5.30pm. Children in KS2 have a chance to watch a Christmas movie with their year group. Children must 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!) I have attached a leaflet showing which films have been chosen for the KS2 children – please be aware that you can only buy your child a ticket for their own year group film! If your child attends a club, and still wants to go to movie night or Krazy Kev, please purchase a ticket and we will make sure they get there when the club finishes.

Christmas Jumpers and Christmas Raffle

Thank you to those of you who have sent in a prize for our Christmas raffle. We could really do with some more, so if you are able to donate, or have a friend or contact who may be able to offer us a prize (this could be vouchers, tickets or gifts of new 'things' such as biscuits, wine, toiletries or toys) please send them in via the school office by Friday 28th November so we can finalise our prize list. Thanks in advance.

Christmas cards

If you missed out on purchasing the Christmas cards and gifts that your child has designed, the deadline has been extended to Friday 28th November at midday. There is no obligation to buy, but the school gets commission on anything you spend. If you no longer have your original order code, you can find it here: https://shop.classfundraising.co.uk/pages/lost-codes?mc_cid=3bc9dd02f0&mc_eid=c421997654

Well done to our Stars of the week!

Super Role Model: RJ:Maia; RP:Reyan; 1JC:Florence; 1WH:Molly-Mae; 2NW:Rafi; 2MS:Romeo; 3NL:Jamie; 3BN:Jacob B; 4CM:Sebastian; 4PM:Paisley; 5JC:Clara; 5RH:Ella; 6KB:Maty; 6HT:Cora.

Learning Champion: RJ:Daniel; RP:Francesco;1JC:Timothy; 1WH:Kaya; 2NW:Ife; 2MS:Erife; 3NL:Rafa; 3BN:Jakub G; 4CM: Tiggy; 4PM:Mark ; 5JC:Lara; 5RH:Nickolas; 6KB:Zayra; 6HT:Nathan.

Dates for your diary:

Wed 26th Nov	8.45am	Choir to the Pavilion for rehearsal
Mon 1st Dec	**All day**	**Staff training day – School closed for children**
Thurs 4th Dec	2.30pm-3.15pm	Christmas Jumper sale
Wed 10th Dec	4.00pm	Christmas fun night in school
Wed 10th Dec	9.15am	Reception performance – Child's surname A-H
Wed 10th Dec	10.30am	Year 1 performance Child's surname A-H
Thurs 11th Dec	9.15am	Reception performance – Child's surname I-Z
Thurs 11th Dec	10.30am	Year 1 performance – Child's surname I -Z
Mon 15th Dec	6.00pm	Year 4 service at the Annunciation church
Tues 16th Dec	2.00pm	Carols and mince pies for Year 2 parents & carers.
Wed 17th Dec	5.00-5.45	Disco for Years 3 and 4 – more info to follow
Wed 17th Dec	6.00 – 6.45	Disco for Years 5 and 6 – more info to follow
Friday 19th Dec	All day	Last day of term- Christmas Jumper Day

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your family.

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