



# St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Next newsletter: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December



## Packed Lunches on Trips

It is very important that when going on a school trip the children have a sensible Packed Lunch with a sandwich or other savoury food item and a drink. When on a trip they are allowed to have juice but they should also have a bottle of water. The children are allowed one item which is a treat and they can also have fruit.

Because of allergies children are not allowed to share food and therefore please do not pack family size crisp packets or sweet treats. Please pack just one drink and one 'sweet treat' for your child – when on a trip, lunch is often limited to only 15 minutes in a Lunch Room.



On one of the trips last week there were children who had nut products. This included Satay chicken, Ferrero Rocher, Snickers and nut cereal bars. The children were asked to take them home. We are a nut free school and it is very important that you carefully check the contents of your child's food as children who have nut allergies can have very serious reactions if they are near food with nuts.

## Carol Singing



As you know the children decided that during Advent we would raise money for The Red Cross. There will be a 'Christmas Dress Up Day' and also singing around the Christmas Tree (kindly donated to the Friends of St John's for all to appreciate). During December each class will sing by the Christmas Tree at 3.20pm for 5 minutes as parents enter the school. Next week we will publish the timetable for this. The children will collect donations for the Red Cross during this time. Please give generously. **Photographs or videos are not permitted on this occasion.**

## Events/Dates

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November** - Year 1 trip to the Unicorn Theatre

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November** - Year 4 trip to Greenwich Peninsula

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – FOSJ Christmas Pantomime 'Peter Pan'

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Year 2 trip to the National Maritime Museum

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 4 trip to the British Museum

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Dinner

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - KS2 Carol Concert

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Nativity

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December** - School finishes at 2pm



## Peter Pan Christmas Panto!

The Friends of St. John's have received some funding towards the Christmas Pantomime. Tickets are now **reduced to £5 per person**, it will be held at St Michael's Catholic College at 4:30pm on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

## Recycling Batteries



We continue to collect old batteries in school. If you have any at home please ask your child to bring them in! We are an Eco school and recycling of old batteries from home is something that we encourage families to take part in throughout the year!



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### Cake Sale Year 5 class

On Wednesday November 28th, Year 5 are having a cake sale to raise money for the Catholic Children's Society. You can buy a drink and a cake/cookie for £1.00, at the end of the day from 3.20-3.40pm. Please bring money to support Year 5's cake sale; all money raised goes to charity. Years 5 are going to St. George's Cathedral for a special carol concert and some children will be chosen to present the collected money during the offertory. **By Jessica Year 5.**

### Notice from the School Nursing Service

Parents and carers, you can now complete the Health Check online if your child is aged 0-15 years and has asthma, constipation, eczema, or epilepsy via the link: [www.cyphp.org/health-check](http://www.cyphp.org/health-check). Completing the Health Check takes about 5 minutes. It will ask you about your child's condition and their general wellbeing.

Afterwards, you will receive a summary of your child's results and a Health Support Pack. This pack contains tips on how you can support your child to manage their condition better. The information you provide will not be used for any other purposes without your consent.

For more information please visit [www.cyphp.org](http://www.cyphp.org).

### Celebrating Success Year 2



In preparation for the Year 2 educational trip to the Maritime Museum the children have been learning about Sir Francis Drake.

The children used pictures to try and find out information by looking for clues. Groups worked together to ask questions, make predictions and share findings. They were very excited to learn that Sir Francis Drake was a real pirate! The children will be participating in a Pirate Day at the museum and will experience life aboard a ship. On that day the children are very welcome to come to school wearing a pirate accessory or costume. Look out for more details!

### Reception Class Igloo making



In Reception Class children are enjoying their winter topic. They received a letter from the Polar Bear asking them to build an igloo in their playground. The children used the wooden blocks and some recycling materials to complete their challenge. They were very happy when the Polar Bear and his friend came to visit them. The children would like to say a big thank you to Jane (the Chair of Governors) for bringing the recycling materials to school.

### Parent Reading Workshop



Thank you to the parents that attended the 'reading together' workshop. It was a great opportunity to share ideas for fun texts to read at home to encourage reading for pleasure. We also looked at activities parents could do with their child that link with the story.

All parents that attended received a free book from the Book Trust to share at home.