



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 30th November 2020
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Advent



As we begin our school Advent celebrations we would ask you to say this prayer as a family at home to prepare for Christmas.

In Advent, Father God, help us to be quiet.
In Advent, Father God, help us to think about what it meant to send Jesus to us.
In Advent, Father God, help us to listen.
Help us to hear you speaking to us and help us to grow in faith.
Amen

We will continue to make things special for the children in the build up to Christmas. There will be Christmas dinner and Christmas Class Parties plus some other festive celebrations.

The school sends Christmas cards to other schools, Consultants and Governors and this is the picture which is on the front of this year's card.



The children in Early Years and KS1 are currently working on a short Nativity Play which will be videoed for parents to see. You will receive more information about this shortly.



All classes are creating displays which tell the story of Christmas from the Angel appearing to Mary, to the Coming of the Kings. These will be made into a video for you to see and some groups in KS2 will provide the musical background for this.



School Gate – Be safe! Keep others safe! Mask! Space!



Thank you to those of you who are following guidance from Public Health asking **parents to use facial coverings when dropping children off at school** in the morning and also at the end of the day. **There are only 3 weeks until the end of term and everyone needs to play their part to follow this guidance alongside social distancing to keep our school safe.** Please take these simple steps in the morning and at the end of the day.



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Family fund

We would like to say a 'big thank you' to all those families who have paid a contribution to the Family Fund.

If you have not yet donated, please see the school shop on the Parent Mail payment system.

Wear your own clothes to school on Friday December 4th

The School Council and Spiritual Life committee have organised for the children to wear their own clothes on FRIDAY! This is the first of some fund raising activities we will be doing during Advent. **Please donate £1** which will go towards supporting our local church (Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception).

School Council Update

The School Council have been writing letters of thanks to the Kitchen Staff on behalf of the rest of the school.

This week the Year 5 Class Representatives presented them to the ladies in the Kitchen. In the letters the children thanked the staff for their efforts in continuing to prepare hot dinners daily from the start of this term.



Although the children do not go up to the counter to choose their meals, they are now used to the new system of choosing their meal in the morning. When they come into the hall their food is on the table for them, this is set up by school staff.

The children continue to enjoy the meals and this week the meatballs were a great success and the positive feedback from the children was relayed back to the Kitchen Staff!



The new school dinner menu starts this week, please see the notice board or website for the meal choices!

