ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Headteacher's Note

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 2nd December 2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

Operation Christmas Child



Thank you to those who kindly donated boxes or items for the Operation Christmas Child project. 63 boxes were collected on Tuesday from school, which included boxes from St Leonard's and the local community. These are now making their way over seas to bring Christmas joy and cheer to needy children.

Reception and Nursery Stay and Play

There will unfortunately be no Stay and Play for Nursery or Reception for the next two weeks. These will both resume in January.



Christmas Raffle

Thank you to parents who have been donating gifts for our raffles. Our Christmas raffle will boost our much depleted school fund.

Prime Drinks

We are seeing a number of children at lunch time bringing Prime drinks into school. They are sharing these drinks and also trading them. From a germ spreading point of view this is very concerning and trading and swapping merchandise is obviously not appropriate. Please can you ensure that the children do not bring these drinks into school.



Class drinks should be pure water only. Thank you.

VIPS THIS WEEK

Year R	Rosie Seddon
Year 1	Jake Benson
Year 2	Ella Atkinson
Year 3	Marko Reeves
Year 4	Seth Ferguson
Year 5	Milo Campbell
Year 6	Autumn Harrison



Year R	Edward Mortimer
Year 1	Layla Macdonald
Year 2	Rocco Storer
Year 3	Ocean Sinclair
Year 4	Dalton McGough
Year 5	Jenson Frost
Year 6	Oscar Clarke



Mon 5th Dec	Year 1 Forest School am, Nursery Forest School pm
Wed 7th Dec	EYFS Nativity play 9.15am—10.15am—no tickets required £3 on the door per
Thur 8th Dec	Flu vaccinations (for those who have consented online only (or by form for Nursery children).
Thur 8th Dec	KS1/2 Christmas Play 1.30pm and 7pm £3 on the door
Mon 12th Dec	Black Hat Assembly (no parents/carers)
Mon 12th Dec	KS1 Party pm (more info to follow)
Tue 13th Dec	EYFS Christmas Party am, KS2 Christmas party pm (more info to follow)
Wed 14th Dec	Whole school Zumba day (please ensure your child has a PE kit in school).
Wed 14th Dec	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 16th Dec	School closes for Christmas.

COST OF LIVING SUPPORT

Please visit the following link for more information about the available support for the cost of living crisis—https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/cost-of-living/

Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets will be sold after each performance for £1 per strip. Thank you.



Selnet
Social Enterprise Lancashire Network

Please find link for Selnet Under One Roof which provides support for residents within Lancashire - https://selnet-underoneroof.org.uk/

Under One Roof provides support for residents who need help to maintain or establish a home. It provides free essential household items to those individuals/families who do not have access to sufficient income or funds to meet their immediate needs, along with help and advice in seeking additional support.
The overall aim of the service is to support people to meet their immediate needs and to help them feel more secure and live more independently in their community.

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS TIMES— 3rd and 4th December

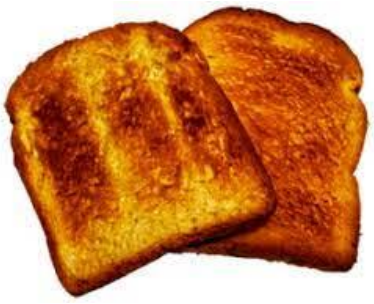
St Mary Magdalene's - Saturday 24th December Vigil Mass - 5.30 pm

St Augustine's - Sunday 25th December at 9.30 am

St John's - Sunday 25th December at 11.00 am



TOAST



Toast for the Spring term (3rd January up to the 6th April) is now available to purchase on Parent Pay at a charge of £12.60 (20p per day).

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, they will now receive free toast in school.

ACTIVE LANCASHIRE AWARDS

Following on from Mrs Taylor winning The Burnley Leisure, Health & Wellbeing Award in June this year, Mrs Taylor was then nominated for the Active Lancashire Awards for the same category.

On Friday 18th November, Mrs Taylor and her husband attended Ewood Park in Blackburn for the awards night. There were 11 other nominees in the category from all over Lancashire, each doing wonderful things for their community.

When the winner for The Health & Wellbeing was announced, Mrs Taylor was extremely shocked to hear that it was her. She said it was so overwhelming and it was such an honour to be in a room full of people, from different walks of life, all doing one thing...to help others. Some of the nominees had dealt with so much in their lives, some had done all they could in supporting others, and still contribute to their communities. She took a moment to realise just how strong ALL the nominees were, and said that together we can make a difference and to keep on doing what we do!!

Mrs Taylor and her husband had a lovely evening at Ewood Park. Congratulations Mrs Taylor we are extremely blessed to have her on our staff team and are all very proud of you!





Our Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 14th December. If your child would like to order a Christmas lunch, please do so on Parent Pay no later than Friday 9th December. If you have any problems, please contact a member of the office who will be happy to help.



To help raise funds to support older people in Lancashire, the GIFT Team really need your used postage stamps, so that Age UK Lancashire can turn the used stamps into donations.
If anyone does have any unused stamps, please would you send them into school. We will be collecting them throughout this school year.

Many thanks,

Mrs Taylor & the GIFT Team



Lancashire age UK

We need your stamps

Collect your used postage stamps, drop them at the collection point and we will do the rest!



Every stamp counts!

100% of the money raised stays in Lancashire enabling us to support local older people

www.ageuklancs.org.uk

To arrange sending your stamps to us please email:
fundraising@ageuklancs.org.uk

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GARDENING CLUB

Some of our 'little green fingers' from the Gardening Club entered the Fennyfold Community Allotment Society's 'Art in the Garden' Halloween competition. The subject matter was 'cats and bats & creepy crawlies'.

Jean, who works at the allotment was so proud of the children and was delighted for the effort they put in, in expressing their artistic skills.



Well done to Joseph Franklin, Joshua Franklin, Alastair Dalton, Max Mannion and Holly Savage. Mrs Taylor and Mrs Cumming are very proud of ALL of you.

