



# School Newsletter

## Newsletter 12

Autumn Term 2016

Thursday 1 December 2016

Headteacher: Mr P O'Rourke

Deputy Head: Miss S Small

*In everything we do today, we're following Jesus and his way*

**Merits...** no merit assembly this week because of the Christmas productions.

### Charity Fundraising

Congratulations to our year 5 bakers who raised an amazing **£138.73** for the Nightingale Cancer Charity with their cake sale last week. It is a wonderful charity, it was a great idea and they organised the event brilliantly. Well done to all involved.

I have also received a letter of thanks from the Royal British Legion. We raised an amazing **£335.31** from Poppy Appeal donation. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

### Admissions Policy

We are currently consulting on our admissions policy for the academic year 2018.19. The consultation begins on Wednesday 23 November and ends 6 weeks later on Thursday 11 January. Comments should be sent to the school office email address with '18.19 admissions consultation' as the subject. It will then be forwarded to Mr O'Rourke. Comments can also be written by hand, posted in the post box in the link corridor with 'FAO Mr O'Rourke - 18.19 admissions consultation' written clearly on the envelope.  
School website > school information > admissions

### Christmas Productions

Thank you so much to all family members who have attended our Christmas productions this week. I'm sure you will agree the reception and key stage 1 children have been brilliant - key stage 2 have a lot to live up to next week!

We have, unfortunately, had a small number of parents taking photographs and filming despite repeated reminders and requests not to. This has caused considerable upset. As well as not filming, I would also request that photographs from school productions are not shared on social media, even if it is your own child!

Thank you for your understanding.

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### Next Week in School

#### Friday 2 December

Mass in the school hall at 8.25am (6R)  
Flu vaccines

#### Saturday 3 December

Christmas parties (Rec, Y1, Y2)

#### Sunday 4 December

Christmas parties (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6)

#### Tuesday 6 December

Year 3 performance (2.30pm and 7pm)

#### Wednesday 7 December

Year 4 performance (2.30pm and 7pm)

#### Thursday 8 December

Year 5 performance (2.30pm and 7pm)

#### Friday 9 December

Mass in the school hall at 8.25am (5FE)

#### Sunday 11 December

*Parish carol concert postponed until Dec 18th*

### X Factor Tickets

The PTA has kindly received a donation of 2 x tickets to the filming of the X Factor Final.

Date: Sunday 11th December 2016

Location: SSE Arena, Wembley (please note you need to collect your tickets from The Hilton, Wembley beforehand).

Time: Ticket collection is 16:00-18:30, all guests must be sat in their seats at the SSE Arena by 19:30 at the very latest. The show ends at 22:00

Guests must be over the age of 12 and tickets are non transferable for this amazing prize.

This is a very last minute opportunity so the PTA will be accepting sealed bids only. If you would like to bid for this prize please put the following information into a sealed envelope (clearly marked 'X-Factor Bid') and drop into the school office - name, telephone number and the amount you would like to bid.

All entries must be received by **Monday 5th December at 1pm.**

The winner will be announced in the afternoon of the 5th December.

Good luck everyone!

*"Every year we celebrate the holy season of Advent, O God. Every year we pray those beautiful prayers of longing and waiting, and sing those lovely songs of hope and promise." (Karl Rahner)*



## Christmas Performances

The dates for our Christmas performances are as follows:

### **Key stage 2 (2.30pm and 7pm)**

Year 3 - Tuesday 6 December (2.30pm and 7pm)

*Countdown to Christmas*

Year 4 - Wednesday 7 December (2.30pm and 7pm)

*Tinsel and Tea-towels*

Year 5 - Thursday 8 December (2.30pm and 7pm)

*The Pied Piper*

### **Other Christmas dates are:**

Monday 12 December - Year 6 Carol Concert (7pm)

Tuesday 13 December - Christmas lunch

Monday 19 December - non uniform day and parties

Wednesday 21 December - Mass and end of term

Don't forget also the Christmas parties, organised by some of our wonderfully kind parents this weekend:

Saturday 3 December (reception and key stage 1)

Sunday 4 December (key stage 2)

## Aladdin

*Charlotte (6S) is acting in Aladdin at The Millfield Theatre. It finishes on 31/12/16 and there are Morning and afternoon performances.*

In Aladdin I am a dancer and there are four different dances. There are two teams: the Red Team and the Blue Team (I am in the Blue Team). My favourite character is the Genie of the Lamp, because when he is freed, he acts like a funny gangsta.

My favourite part of the story is when Aladdin is trapped in the enchanted cave - who can save him?

Aladdin: I'll never see Mum or Jasmine ever again. I know (shouts):

"I'm Aladdin. Get me out of here!"

If only I paid attention in the Scouts! What should I do boys and girls? Can you see anything in the cave that will help me...?

*Thank you for telling us all about your pantomime, Charlotte. Sounds fun!*

## Christmas Fair

What an amazing event. Thank you to everyone who came along to make the day so special. I am told that you raised around £6000 for the PTA and I think that's incredible!

The members of the PTA committee have worked tirelessly to make the day brilliant, so congratulations to them and to all those who helped on the day.