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NEWSLETTER

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Interim Head of School : Mrs L Husted



We strive to follow Christ example , to always do our best

Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

The first week of Advent is upon us—in amongst naughty elves and chocolate Advent calendars arriving, we also have many other signs of the season that have arrived in school. Our Advent Wreath, our Nativity and our Walk with Me calendars, designed to prepare us in readiness for the Coming of Jesus. Yesterday, we welcomed in the Season of Advent with a whole school Mass led by Year 5—thankyou children—a beautiful start to the season.

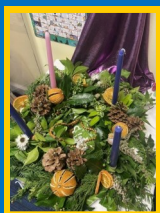
Our Christmas Fayre is a sure sign of Christmas coming—don't forget to come along tonight for festive fun—free entry! Thankyou to our Friends of St Wilfrid who have been busy behind the scenes organising! Thankyou , also, to you, for your kind donations.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, we enjoyed our Christmas Dinner—and what a feast it was! It was wonderful to welcome grandparents in to join us ; a BIG thank you to Janis and the kitchen staff for cooking up a storm and to the dinner supervisors too, all of whom contributed to ensuring the day was a success.

We have welcome two sets of visitors into school this week:

- Jay and Dale came in from Birmingham Children's Hospital to tell use about how we can help their patients to benefit from Giggle Doctors, Christmas presents and vital equipment. They set us on a MISSION to help by asking us to join Jolly Jumper Day on 15th December and raise funds by donating £1.

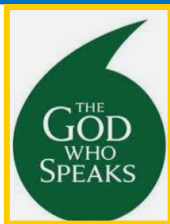
- West Midlands Fire Service came in to talk to use about fire safety Please ask your children what they can remember and find out top tips to keep your home safe.





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The God who Speaks

This week, during Gospel Liturgy, we lit the first candle on our Advent wreath and reflected on the joyous hope of the coming of Jesus. We thought about how we can be ready in our hearts for this

Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. (Matthew 24:42)



Virtues Award

Infants

Olivia (2B)

Juniors

Michelle (3M)

Right of the Week



Article 12 (respect for the views of the child)

'Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right applies at all times...'

Over the course of the next week, watch the news with your children and listen to their thoughts on the issues reported.



Virtues of the Half Term



Faith-filled and Hopeful

During Advent we are reminded to be filled with faith

'We put our faith in families and friends, trusting them to love us and always want the best for us. We put our faith in the community (our school, church, wider society) to work together to make the world a better place. We have faith in ourselves - we understand our strengths and weaknesses. We also have faith in God and Jesus. '(Father Hudson's)





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Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
Friday 2nd Dec	Christmas Fayre : 4pm—6pm
Monday 5th Dec	Yy5 and 6 Money Matters Workshop—financial literacy
Tuesday 6th Dec	EYFS Christmas Production 9:30am
Tuesday 6th Dec	Pantomime in school—advanced notice - £2 per child (this is now available on ParentPay)
Wednesday 7th Dec—Friday 9th Dec	Year 6 Residential to Alton Castle
Monday 12th Dec	Glo Sports for children drawn out of the 'wear your uniform with pride' lottery
Tuesday 13th Dec	KS2 Christmas Production 2pm
Wednesday 14th Dec	Confessions—Yy 4—6
Wednesday 14th Dec	KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Thursday 15th December	Jolly Jumper Day for Birmingham Children's Hospital . £1 per family
Friday 16th Dec	Break up for Christmas
Wednesday 4th Jan	Return to school

Christmas Dinner!



A Reminder of our Teacher Days for the Coming Academic Year

~~Monday 5th September 2022~~

~~Tuesday 6th September 2022~~

~~Monday 17th October 2022~~

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 5th June 2023





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Awards

Class	Name/s
Nurs	Mia
RNM	Izhaan
RCT	Deron
1DG	Saphia
1M	Ivy
2B	Tiana
2G	Aiden
3P	Troy
3M	Ellie
4B	Neeko
4P	Daan
5P	Jordan
5W	Vanessa
6G	Mariha
6W	Fatima, Ahmad
Wise Owl	Klay
Music	All of the music ensemble.
Sport	Zariah (5P)
Lunchtime	Princess (RNM), Nabeel (5P), Y1 & 6W

Star Awards—well done everybody!



Each week, we celebrate our children's achievements in our Friday assembly and award them with certificates.

Well done to everyone who has received an award to-day and we look forward to seeing who will receive awards next week.

Attendance—period 28th November–2nd December 2022

Our whole school attendance target is 95%



Class	%
RNM	71.9%
RCT	85.3%
1DG	93.0%
1M	85.5%
2B	88.3%
2G	90.4%
3P	88.0%
3M	84.5%
4B	97.7%
4P	90.0%
5P	91.7%
5W	82.9%
6G	91.7%
6W	93.1%

This weeks whole school attendance is: 89.9%



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Family and Community

"The Church is a *family* in which *one* is welcomed and learns to live as believers and disciples of the Lord Jesus"



This half term, we are putting a focus on FAMILY AND COMMUNITY.

We are thinking about what it means to be a family and community, how we can help others in our family and community and how others can help us. In Gospel Liturgy, we talked about what Family and Community means to the children—they said

- People we can trust and who trust us
- People who can be truthful and who we can be truthful with
- People who give us comfort
- People who are kind, loving and compassionate, who share with us and show to use respect



We reflected on us being disciples on earth—the ones who build the family and community and are active in this.

This week

Remember, next week, we begin our Christmas Productions!

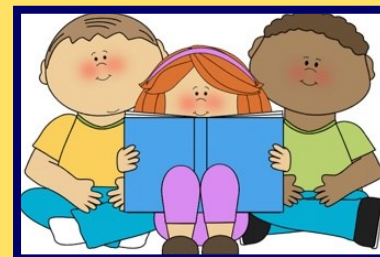


EYFS are first to kick off proceedings on Tuesday 6th December at 9:30am! All are very welcome to attend!

Family Reading Half Hours

Thankyou to all of those family members who have been able to attend! What a wonderful celebration of reading!

Year Group	Date	Year Group	Date
N	13.12.22	3	6.12.22
R	25.11.22	4	13.12.22
1	29.11.22	5	24.11.22
2	30.11.22	6	22.11.22



Letters will go out to individual classes with times and more detail.





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Our Student Ambassadors

What **AMAZING** leaders—walking examples of Gospel teachings—'Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.' Philippians 2:3-4

Leaders in Faith

This week, our Leaders in Faith have been visiting the classrooms to look for purple prayer spaces and other signs of Catholic Life. They have seen some great expressions of faith!

House Captain Competition

Poetry Writing

Winners have been chosen...congratulations to our winners!

Christmas Table Decoration

Nurturing our God given talents, the school council are running their final competition of the half term—a table decoration competition. Please see the poster for details! And good luck!
The winners of the 100 house points and books for each Key Stage will be announced next week!

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, during this season of Advent, we would like to introduce you to our...

Table Decoration Competition

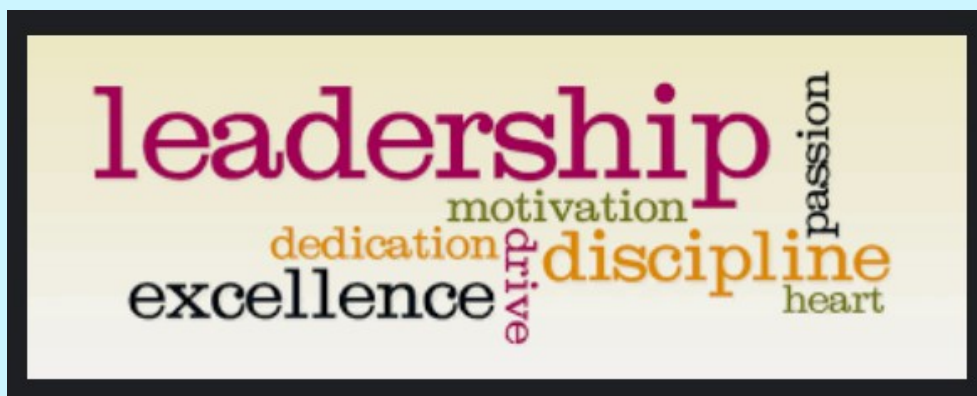
HOUSE COMPETITION

Create a decoration for the centre of a Christmas dinner table!

Use your God given talents to make a centre piece that the family will enjoy looking at as they eat their Christmas dinner together.

ENTRIES MUST:

- Be made from scratch - no shop bought ones please
- Be small enough to carry easily
- Have your name and class on it
- Only come into school on Monday 12th December





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Community News

TONIGHT! Christmas Fayre. Organised and run by Friends of St Wilfrid, it promises to be an exciting event! We thanks them for their hard work...do come along and support!



**Friends of St Wilfrid
Presents**

Christmas Fayre
at
*St Wilfrid's Catholic
Primary School*

December 02, 2022 / 4:00-6:00pm

**Santa Grotto, Tombola,
Face painting,
Goodies and lots of items to
pick for presents.**



Stalls so far:

- Tombola
- Face Painting
- Raffle
- Win a £20 note
- Pre-loved toys
- Name the teddy
- Drinks
- Cakes
- Poke-a-tree
- How many sweets in the jar?
- Christmas tree ball toss

And ...the man himself...Santa!

Bring your 50ps and £1s to take part!





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Appeal from Nursery

'We would love donations, please, of household items such as tea sets (cups, saucer and plates) cutlery, baking tins, saucepans, mirrors, old electrical items such as kettles, microwaves, toasters, pairs of shoes, hats, handbags.' If you have any of these, please drop to nursery or to the main office who will pass them on. Thankyou.

School Uniform Lucky Draw!

Each week, our staff have been choosing one child from their class who has **worn their uniform with pride**. Sometimes, this has been their daily uniform, and, sometimes, it has been their PE kit.

This is not about wearing the most expensive items—it is about the correct, smartest uniforms—shirts tucked in and shoes not trainers!

ON MONDAY, letters will go home to the names chosen from the hat ... for the prize of a **Glo Sports** session with Mr Henningham!

ALL children who were nominated, whilst not all will be chosen for the Glo Sports session, will receive an alternative prize.

If you are struggling with the purchase of uniform, please speak to Mrs Whittingham or Mrs Cropper and we may be able to help.



Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas



Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and Staff

