

Together we live and learn, we play and pray.

# Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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Second Sunday of Advent (Year A)

As we move into the second week of advent our children have begun to reflect on the Holy Family. I have been delighted with how spiritual the children have been during their reflections and how much effort the children have put into making their Jesse Tree decorations. I would also like to say thank you to all the children and families for their participation in our Advent services last night, I thought it was a very reflective service and fitting of our first weeks advent work. Finally, I look forward to seeing many families over the next few weeks at the school Christmas performances and at the choir performances around the city.

God of life, we give thanks for all those people who are kind to us. Help us to be the best people that we can be in preparation for the coming of your Son Jesus. Amen.

Mr Cooper Head of School

#### **Weekly Attendance**

We have made a great start this year with our attendance. Congratulations to Year 2 for achieving an attendance figure of 99.68% this week - excellent! Our overall school attendance this week was 97.51%. Meaning our school attendance so far is – 97.33%.

# Christmas Fayre – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Our Christmas Fayre will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and the children will have an opportunity to play a wide variety of games during the afternoon. Each game will cost 20p and we hope that your child will bring enough money to have a few turns and to buy a drink and biscuit. Teaching Staff will organise this part of the Fayre. From 3.15pm until 4.30 pm, FOSH are organising a wide variety of activities in the School Hall and Studio. We hope that parents and carers will join us. This will also be **a "Dress Down Day"** where the children can dress as they wish if they bring a donation towards one of the stalls.

Our suggestions for this are:

- Reception, Years 1 & 2- Sweet Tombola (Haribos, fruit pastilles etc).
- Years 3 & 4 Chocolate Tombola (packets, bars or boxes).
- Years 5 & 6 Bottle Tombola (alcoholic or non-alcoholic).

We also kindly request cakes to sell on the day.

#### **Choir Performances**

The choir has been hard at work this term in preparation for Christmas. There will be four concerts that they will be representing Sacred Heart at over the coming weeks.

- Carol Singing at the Cresset day Centre, Wednesday December 7th at 1.30pm
- Catholic School's Carol Service, Wednesday December 14th at 6pm.
- Cavell Centre Carol Service, Thursday December 15th at 1.30pm
- Jack Hunt Christmas Concert, Thursday December 15th at 6.30pm

Please offer you support with these performances where possible.

#### **Advent Service**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Advent Service at St Oswald's last night. It was a great pleasure to see so many staff, children and families from all the key stages present. It was a very spiritual evening and all the parents should be very proud of their children because they all knew their prayers; Hail Mary, Candle prayer, and sung all the hymns beautifully. Congratulations to all the readers and to the school musicians (parents, staff and a former pupil) for their wonderful accompaniment.

## **Winter Outdoor Play**

Can we remind you that if your child wants to continue playing on the field at break and lunchtimes you should sent them with some named old tracksuit bottoms and wellies (in a bag) so that they do not get their uniform muddy in wet weather. They will not be permitted onto the field without them.

## **Vacancy 1:1 Teaching Assistant**

We are currently advertising for a 1:1 Teaching Assistant; please see our school website for full details. <a href="http://www.sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk/page/Default.asp?title=Vacancies&pid=13">http://www.sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk/page/Default.asp?title=Vacancies&pid=13</a> Closing date is 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

## Christmas Lunch - Advance booking required

Please note the school Christmas Lunch will be on Monday 19th December, advance booking on Live Kitchen is required for every child, they will not be able to choose this option on the day. Bookings must be completed by Friday 9th December. This is a strict deadline and you will not be able to select the Christmas lunch after this date as I am sure you will appreciate orders have to be placed and we are expecting a large take up. Please speak to Mrs Valentine in the school office.

## **St Felix Seniors Group**

For your information there is a seniors group that meets Tuesday afternoons 2.00pm-4.30pm in the hall. All senior citizens are welcome.

# Parent and toddler group at St Oswald's

For your information there is a parent and toddler group that meet every Wednesday morning from 10.30am at St Oswald's church hall.

#### **School Notice Boards**

Please look out on our school notice boards for the latest FOSH minutes, governor minutes, weekly newsletter and general school updates.

## **Ofsted Parent View**

Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about your child's school. Parent View asks for your opinion on 12 aspects of your child's school, from the quality of teaching to behaviour. A screencast demonstrating how to register and complete a survey on Parent View is available on the website <a href="www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk">www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk</a> By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

Autumn Term Dates - 2016	
8-12-16	9.15am – Mass (yr 1/2)
9-12-16	Christmas Fayre 1.00pm – 5.00pm
13-12-16	2.00pm – Reception Nativity – A Miracle in Town
14-12-16	2.00pm – KS1 Play - Straw and Order
15-11-16	9.15 – Mass (yr3/4)
15-12-16	2.00pm KS1 Play – Straw and Order
16-12-16	10.00am Whole School Pantomime at the Cresset – Peter Pan
19-12-16	Christmas Lunch
19-12-16	KS1 Christmas Party
20-12-16	KS2 Christmas Party
21-12-16	Christmas Jumper Day
21-12-16	Last Day
4-1-17 Children return to school	