



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

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Nurturing the Talent of Tomorrow

Dear parents, children, staff and parishioners,

The school has been a hive of activity, glue and glitter today as we have had our Advent Art Day in preparation for the beginning of Advent this Sunday. The school looks amazing – sorry to all the cleaners (they hate glitter!). Thank you to the children in Mrs Cowley's/Mrs O'Connor's class for their inspiring assembly on Advent – it was a lovely way to start the season of Advent. Thank you to all the parents that were able to join us. Congratulations to the children that received an award or certificate. Our Sacred Heart Christmas tree is up and we invite parents to join us on **Monday at 9.30am** as we bless and light our special tree with decorations created by all the children across school. The decoration theme this year for our Christmas tree has been characters from the Nativity – "Nativtreee."



Over the next month we journey into Advent as we begin a new church year: "Slow down; Be ready."

Worker of the Week

Reception		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Yvan B	Terese J	Adekunle L	Jeremi J	Ariel G	Jack M	Lay B	Antonia K	Maisie M	George V	Nia R	Peter U	Michael O	Aleena T
Golden Bear						Value and Virtue Award "Learned and Wise"							
Amelia P	Lariah C	Anu I	Evie L	Daisy R	Clara T	Marilyn O	Lucas G	Vaiga P	Emil A	Keia K	Olivia-Skye P	Phoebe A	Heaven B
Attendance: 95.3% Overall ☺ (total attendance for the week for the whole school)												Our school target for this year is 97%	
86.3% ☺☺		96.2%		95.6%		95.4%		98.1%		97.5%		97.9%	
House Point Winner				Rafael House (111 Points) ☺									
Class Attendance Winner				Miss Liggins (Year 5) 100%									



Barclays Bank community project

On Monday we welcomed a team of volunteers from Barclays Bank PLC as part of their volunteer projects programme. A huge thank you to Marie Broad for organising and getting a team of people to support: **Claire Nicol, Andy Gallon, Luke Edwards, Steven Fry, Wayne Swinglehurst, Adele Robertson, Peter Marlow, Rajesh Basra and Laurence Jessup.**

They worked tirelessly throughout the day, in very cold and wet conditions to paint all of our external fence, and all three sets of metal gates, with a beautiful gold trim at the top – it all looks fresh and new. Thank you so much and we look forward to welcoming you back in the Spring Term where we will be landscaping the front of the school.

Anti-Bullying

I am pleased to share a link from Joe at Coventry University when they visited our school a few weeks ago. <http://icov.co.uk/coventry-schools-celebrate-anti-bullying-week/>



Blessing of the Crib (this Sunday)

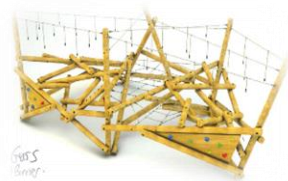
Father Tom has written to invite all our Catholic Schools to gather with our Deanery Parishes for our annual 'Blessing of the Crib' service in the city centre on the first Sunday of Advent – Sunday 3rd December at 4pm. As usual there will be a short service of readings, prayers and carols to bless the Crib which stands as witness to our faith in the city centre. We hope you will be able to join us.

** Nativity Costumes Year 1 and 2 **

Last Thursday, parents of Year 1 and 2 will have been sent a letter asking for Nativity costumes. Please can these costumes come into school by **Monday 4th December** (at the latest) so that we can start to practise with them. If you are unsure as to what your child needs please speak to their class teacher.

Nursery – UPDATE

I had a very productive meeting with Coventry City Council planning officers this week, and we are now moving at speed to submit our planning application by the middle of December. We have now confirmed that the Nursery will be ready by March time, meaning that we can open for the Summer Term. If you are interested in a place for the Summer Term, then please contact Mrs Taggart in the school office. I will, of course, keep you updated as developments progress.



**** On Monday you will start to see the construction of the Crinkle Clagg Climber on the playground ☺ ****



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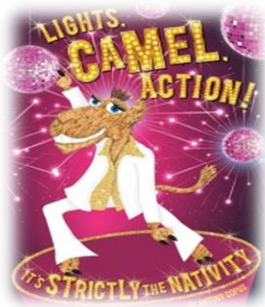
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Reception/Year 1/Year 2 Nativity Plays

Reception will be sharing their Nativity "A miracle in town"

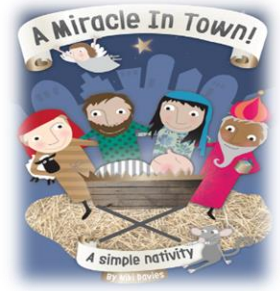
on Tuesday 12th December at 2:00pm and Wednesday 13th December at 9:30am.

Year 2 supported by Year 1 will be sharing their Nativity "Lights, Camel, Action!"

on Wednesday 13th December at **1:45pm (note earlier time)** and Thursday 14th December at 9.30am.

There will be no tickets on sale; please turn up on the day you require. We will be selling programmes and raffle tickets (£2); the hall has a maximum capacity of 200.

The children have also been working very hard during their rehearsals.



Movie Night

On Monday 18th December we are holding a Christmas movie night to raise money for the charity "Shelter." It will start at 6:00pm until 7:30pm in the school hall. You can pay on the night and hot chocolate and a treat will be provided. It is open to all children from Reception to Year 6 – we will be choosing a festive DVD to show ☺



Carol Service Wednesday 20th December 6.30pm

All children in KS2 (Y3 4 5 6) will be taking an active part in our annual Carol Service "The Gift of Christmas." We want all the children to be present to share with us the real meaning of Christmas and the staff are working hard to make this a very special reflection as we journey towards Christmas and the birth of Jesus. Please put this date in your diary. It is an expectation that all children attend. If in exceptional circumstances your child is unable to attend, we request this in writing please.

SEN consultations

Mrs Kingham will be running the termly SEN consultations for parents of children on the SEN register on Wednesday 13th December and Monday 18th December. Appointments can be booked in the office. If you are unsure whether your child is on the SEN register or if you have any concerns regarding this, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Kingham. Thank you.

Extra-Curricular activities/clubs –Autumn Term 2017 – Clubs finish at 4:20pm

Venessa Pearson is the primary contact on 024 76308244 or vpearson@covsf.com

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Football Years 3,4,5,6	Football Years 1,2	Cheerleading/Gymnastics	Street Dance	None
Dodge Ball	Musical Theatre	Art Club		

Advent & Christmas Key Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11 th – 15 th December 2 nd Week of Advent	** Cancelled ** Year 4 Hugo Cabret Film Night (Cedar Lodge)	School Choir to visit Care Home (Youell Court) 2:00pm Reception Nativity "A miracle in town"	Years 1/2/3/4/5/6 Advent Class prayer times (9:00am) for parents/carers to join us 9.30am Reception Nativity "A miracle in town" 2:00pm Year 1/2 Nativity "Lights, Camel, Action"	Reception Advent Class prayer time (9:00am) for parents/carers to join us 9.30am Year 1/2 Nativity "Lights, Camel, Action"	Year 4 Class Assembly (Mr Maguire/Mrs Kingham) – St Nicholas (9am) Reception trip to Tamworth Snowdome (all day)
18 th – 22 nd December 3 rd Week of Advent	Flu Vaccinations (R/1/2/3/4) 9am Reception/Year 1 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) Christmas movie night to raise money for the charity "Shelter." 6pm until 7:30pm	Father Christmas visiting Reception / Year 1 / Year 2 (for children only) 9am Years 2/3/4 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) 10:30am Years 5/6 Achievement Awards (invitations from teachers) Christmas Dinner – all children can wear a festive hat/hair bands etc.	6.30pm "The Gift of Christmas" Carol Service for all children in Year 3/4/5/6 to attend and lead. (all welcome!)	"Save the Children" – all children and staff to wear a Christmas Jumper in return for a donation of £1 "Step into Christmas" including our "thank you" from each class to cleaners/lunchtime supervisors/kitchen staff 3.15pm finish for Christmas Holidays	School Closed (Christmas Holidays)

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Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity
Sunday 3 rd December	10:30am 4:00pm	First Sunday of Advent (Sunday Family Mass) Blessing of the Crib (Upper Precinct)
Monday 4 th December	9:30am Morning Afternoon 3:20pm – 4:20pm 3:20pm – 4:20pm 6:30pm	Blessing of the Christmas Tree (all welcome!) Guitar Lessons Operation Dennis (School Council/Fire Brigade/Police) Netball (Year 6 only + Year 5 girls) Netball match (home) Sacred Heart v Southfields Year 3 First Reconciliation Service 6:30pm-S.H. Church
Tuesday 5 th December	8:30am – 12:00pm Afternoon Afternoon	Guitar, Piano and Violin Lessons Year 1 and Year 2 to Care Home – Youell Court Rowing Games (Yr6) Alan Higgs
Wednesday 6 th December	Afternoon	Linda Land /Jo Smith School Nurse Relaxation Sessions Year 4
Thursday 7 th December	8:00am – 8:30am 9:30am 3:20pm – 4:20pm 6:00pm – 8:00pm	Cross Country (Yr3/4/5/6) Year 5 Reconciliation Service Football (Yr6 Only) Academy Committee Meeting (Cedar Lodge)
Friday 8 th December	Morning 3:20pm – 4:20pm	Years 1/2/3/4/5/6 to Belgrade Theatre 10am for Cinderella Pantomime Football Match (home) Sacred Heart v St Elizabeth's
Sunday 10 th December	10:30am	Second Sunday of Advent (Sunday Family Mass)

Only 4 more
Monday's until
Christmas 😊

I hope you have a
lovely weekend.

Mr P Madia
Principal

** Don't forget to keep checking your child's progress with Reading Eggs and Mathletics ** <http://readingeggs.co.uk/> <http://uk.mathletics.com>

Let the fun of Advent Art Day begin 😊



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