



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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with Christ at its centre"*

Advent Term 8 –1/11/18

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

The children have settled back in quickly after their half term break. Now as we move into November our thoughts are on Remembrance and our new value focus Peace.

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming a member from the Mercedes team, who will talk to Vine class about how they build cars for the formula one racing. We are also beginning our plans for the Nativities, which always brings great excitement. So there's certainly a lot to keep us all busy! *A gentle reminder ...*Once again we are helping make a difference to children in refugee camps / war zones through the shoebox appeal. **Shoeboxes need be in school by the end of next week please.**

Have a good weekend

Mrs K. Yuen.....

Important Dates to note...

- 1st November – All Saints Mass in Church – 2pm
- 2nd November – All Souls day- Mass for KS2
- 2nd November – Parent helper reading induction session 2.15pm
- 5th November – Mercedes Talk with Vine Class
- 7th / 8th November- Parent Consultations and Book fair
- 8th November – Swimming starts for Years 3-5
- 25th November – Feast of Christ the King
- 1st December – PTFA Christmas Fayre
- 11th December- Reception / Key Stage 1 Nativity 2pm and 6.30pm
- 12th December- Whole school Christmas Visit
- 17th December – Key Stage 2 Reflection -2pm and 6.30pm
- 19th December – Last day of term
- 7th January- New Term starts



Important - Rising Stars Bookings

Our Care Club continues to be really popular. It is wonderful seeing the children have such fun. From cooking to pottery there is always something exciting going on! Please note however that Booking Forms together with payment **MUST** be received in order to secure a place for a session. We have to ensure we cater for (with food and materials for activities) the number of children in the club. If a last minute arrangement is needed we will always try to help, but this is subject to space being available. **Thank you for your support with this.**

School Parliament Book Sale- Tomorrow at 3pm

The children of the School Parliament are always exploring ways to enrich School Life. The latest venture is to raise funds for a Nintendo Wii console. A second hand book sale will take place at 3pm tomorrow (Friday 2nd) Please support the children as they arranged this sale themselves.

Remembering our dearly departed
November is the month where we remember the Holy Souls. Your child will be bringing home a remembrance card. This can be used to remember a loved one who has died. They are placed in a special box and we include them in our prayers. Towards the end of November the cards are taken to church to be joined with theirs.

Spare cards are available in our entrance area.

Value Focus for November - Peace

Parent Consultations and Book Fair

On Wednesday and Thursday- 7th 8th November, parent consultations will be taking place. At the same time there will be a Book fair being held in the school hall. This time we are using "The Book People" as well as "Scholastic". This will provide a wider range of books for children and adults. An ideal opportunity for Christmas stocking fillers!



*"Peace
begins
with a
smile."*
Mother Teresa