

# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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with Christ at its centre"

Autumn Term 2

Head teacher: Mrs L. Concannon

## Message from the Headteacher ...

Dear Parents,

It has been a lovely week and all the children are very much looking forward to the range of activities planned for next week. The young leaders met today to judge the 500 word writing competition and the winners will be announced next week. Our Year 6 leaders have completed this term's 'School Round' newspaper and this will be sent out before the end of term. Forest school has now finished for this term and the children have had a blast! Sessions will begin again in the Spring and each class will also be spending a day at the Everdon Centre completing team building activities.

Next week the children in Key stage two will be taking part in Fencing sessions using the school equipment in preparation for more sessions to be run in the Spring. On Tuesday all the children will visit the WICKS safety truck as part of the school's PSHE approach on Road Safety. Wednesday will be this term's Spelling Bee where children who have signed up will be tested on a selection of words from our weekly vocab sheets. As part of our Crime and Punishment unit the children in Carpenters class will be interviewing a police officer. Thursday is the very much anticipated BAKE OFF day for this term's Maths reasoning event. Don't forget to book a table and join us for our Snowman beetle drive on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm.

Have a lovely weekend, Laura Concannon.

## Important dates to note...

### Dates for the Diary

- **Friday 1st December:** Advent Service in school 11am- Year 3 and 4 to lead readings.
- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December:** Fencing for Years 3-6
- **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December:** WICKS safety truck
- **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December:** 1:30pm Police WOW visit for Carpenters and Fishermen and this term's Spelling Bee at 10:30am
- **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December:** Maths Reasoning Day- BAKE OFF
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** 6-8pm: Snowman Beetle Drive Fundraiser
- **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December:** Flu Sprays/ Christingle Making in House groups.
- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** Choir singing in Banbury
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** Parents evenings. Celebration assembly at 9am to include a woodwind performance.
- **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** KS2 Christmas Concert 1:30pm and 6pm
- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Christmas Concert 1:30pm and 6pm. KS2 confessions 10:30am
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** 10am Mass and 2:15pm Carols round the crib.

Safeguarding lead: Mrs Concannon

Deputy Safeguarding lead: Mrs Vale

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December Celebration Assembly and Woodwind Performance

This will be our last celebration assembly of the year. It will be moved to 9am as the children who have been learning a woodwind instrument will be performing with the help of their music teaching. The assembly as always is open to parents.

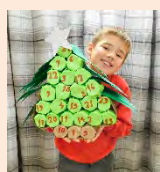
### BAKE OFF

The children in all classes on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December as part of our school Maths reasoning Days will be using their maths skills to bake a sweet treat to compete for the title of Bake off Champions.

Mrs Morgan will be baking cakes in the theme of our emotional regulation characters which the children learnt about during well being week. These bakes (Carpenters class only) will then be sold at a cost of 50p each in the school hall at the end of the day and the funds raised will then be used to purchase more well being resources.

**NO FOOTBALL CLUB ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> and MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER- Phil lines will be out on these dates but will run a replacement club on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**The children had a fantastic time in Arts and Crafts club making ADVENT calendars. Thank you Mrs McGinley for all the preparations (please see Gallery link for more pictures).**



Value focus: Patience



### Reminders

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December- **Flu Sprays**, please sign up using the electronic bar code by following the link in the email.

### Parking

Please be considerate when parking on Main Street and do not block the pavement.

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