

Sacred Heart RC Primary School Newsletter

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Together we live and learn, we play and pray.

As we come to the end of this Autumn term, I would like to say how pleased all the staff have been with the children this term. They have not only been working extremely hard in class since September making good progress but have also put on some super productions and represented us in many choir and sporting events across the city. Everyone can be very, very proud of their efforts and achievements this term. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

God of joy, you love the world so much that you sent your Son Jesus to show us how to live. Help us to recognise Jesus in all people. Amen.

Mr Cooper Head of School

# Weekly Attendance

We have made a great start this year with our attendance. Congratulations to Foundation for achieving an attendance figure of 97.18% this week - excellent! Our overall school attendance this week was 92.83%. Meaning our school attendance so far is - 96.97%.

# Ashwin Abraham

On 27<sup>th</sup> December it will be a year since Ashwin Abraham lost his very brave battle with cancer. We ask that over the Christmas period you keep the Abraham family in your thoughts and prayers. The prayer below is one you may want to say as a family for Ashwin.

Lord, ever caring and gentle we commit to your love Ashwin Quickened to life for so short a time. Enfold him in eternal life. We prayer for his parents who are saddened by their loss. Give them courage and help them in their pain and grief. May they meet one day in the joy and peace of your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

# Pantomime

We all had a super time at the Peter Pan pantomime last Friday. 206 children attended the performance and enjoyed not only the action but also the interval ice cream. Also, well done to Julia and Jakub for representing the school well on stage. Finally, we had some lovely feedback from the Cresset about the behaviour of our children



### Christmas Jumpers

Today we all came in very festive jumpers to begin our Christmas holidays, but also to raise money for Save the Children. By wearing your Christmas jumpers we managed to raise £167! This money will help to give hope to families in difficulty this Christmas. Thank you to all of you for supporting this!

### **House Points**

Congratulations to ST ANDREWS for being awarded the most house points this term. In the first week back after our holiday, they will be receiving their house treat, which the house captains will be organising. Well done to all the children who have received either a bronze, silver or gold certificate this term.

### **Dressing of the Crib**

Thank you to all the children and adults who attended the final celebration of the year, The Dressing of the Crib. The children have been given a tea light to light on Christmas Day before you have your turkey. The school has been preparing for the birth of Jesus and to bring the school together on the day please ask your son/daughter to lead the family and friends in prayer with the school Candle Prayer.

# **RRSA Second-hand Toy Sale**

As a school striving to achieve the Rights Respecting School Award, our steering group have had an idea that with Christmas bringing new toys, you may have old toys to clear out. We would appreciate donations of old unwanted toys that are still in good form and complete with all parts, which we will sell later in the Spring Term to help us fund-raise for UNICEF. **Please bring these toys to the school office after the Christmas holidays.** We are unable to accept toys that are electrical or soft toys without a CE label.

We will send further details of the sale after the New Year.

Many thanks RRSA Steering Group

# On behalf of Dolce – our Catering company

Dolce currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Server/General Assistant. Full training and uniform supplied and a DBS check will be undertaken by Dolce. Hours are 11.30am – 1.00pm but may be increased. If you are interested in joining the team please call Jane on 07393 014875.

### **Christmas Cake Raffle for UNICEF**

Many thanks to all those parents and staff who purchased a ticket for the Christmas cake raffle last week. We raised a total of £73 for UNICEF and the lucky winner was the family of Amanda in Year 2.

### 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. – Toddler group will take a 2 week break and will not meet on 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> December. It will resume in the New Year on Wed 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

### **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 <u>www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk</u> By sharing your views, you'll be helping us to further improve as a school.

Spring Term Dates - 2017	
4-1-17	School Opens
5-1-17	No Mass – Fr Tom unavailable
12-1-17	9.15 Mass (Whole School Mass)
19-1-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
24-1-17	Yr 3&4 visit to Flag Fen
25-1-17	Farmhouse Breakfast – 8.00am
26-1-17	9.15 Mass (3/4)
30-1-17	Reception visit to Moor Farm
30-1-17	MOCK SATs Week – YEAR 6 ONLY
8-2-17	National Take Over Day Challenge
9-2-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
16-2-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
20 <sup>th</sup> February – 26 <sup>th</sup> February – HALF TERM	
27-2-17	Parents Meetings – To take place this week
1-3-17	Ash Wednesday
9-3-17	9.15 Mass (3/4)
16-3-17	9.15 Mass (5/6)
23-3-17	Computing Workshops 2-3pm and 6-7pm
23-3-17	9.15 Mass (1/2)
24-3-17	FOSH Event – Catwalk for Kids
30-3-17	9.15 Mass (Whole School)
7-4-17	Stations of the Cross Service at St Oswalds – Provisional Date
7-4-17	Last day of term