



# St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery

## Newsletter – Issue 8 – 3/12/2021



Please note that should you wish to receive this newsletter in a different format please ask at the school office.

**This term's Christian Value is Compassion:**

**Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**

**Colossians 3.12**

### Calendar events:



#### December

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mufti-Day (bring a donation for the Christmas Market)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 3 and 4 cake sale in the hall
- 7<sup>th</sup> PTA Christmas Wreath Making (more details to follow – save the date)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner
- 8<sup>th</sup> 3.15 to 5.00 - PTA Christmas Market
- 11/12<sup>th</sup> PTA - Sparkle Trail
- 13<sup>th</sup> + 14<sup>th</sup> Nativity - Little Acorns, Little Oaks, Year 1 + Year 2
- 17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term. School finishes at 2.30

#### January

- Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> INSET 3
- Weds. 5<sup>th</sup> Pupils return

## St Mary's Stars

**Little Acorns:** Darcey for excellent singing in Nativity practice. Arthur for great perseverance with his fine motor skills

**Little Oaks:** Imogen for trying so hard with her reading: it's paying off. Well done! Clarke for amazing writing and number work

**Class 1:** Jacob B for great listening and focus. Jacob for always persevering and trying his best

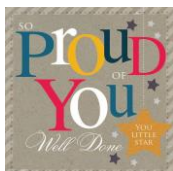
**Class 2:** Priya for trying so hard when something is challenging. Athalie for always being polite and thoughtful.

**Class 3:** Nathan for amazing singing and actions during Young Voices. Seb for outstanding tsunami disaster story

**Class 4:** Bradley for demonstrating an amazing straddle jump. Konor for an amazing piece of persuasive writing.

**Class 5:** Freya for being dedicated and having perseverance when improving her handwriting. Emily for being an excellent role model as a playleader.

**Class 6:** Olivia for being sew fabulous and helping her peers in DT. Sonny for amazing persuasive writing in English.



**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

### **DON'T FORGET**

The office will need to preorder meals from the caterers before the end of term for the first week back in January.

**Please order meals for the first week back by midnight on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.**

(Should you fail to order meals for January Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> your child will need to bring a packed-lunch).



### Nativity





## The Magical Christmas Journey

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Since the presence of the new Omicron variant was discovered this weekend we have reviewed all government guidance, been in contact with colleagues from The Partnership Trust and consulted with the governing board. The Risk Assessment has been reviewed.

Currently, and we say this with everything crossed, cases in our community are low, we remain in the lowest 'outbreak management' level and therefore believe, at this time, we will be able to hold our Christmas events.

However, to ensure we keep everyone as safe as possible so ALL can enjoy a COVID-free Christmas we require all who wish to attend events at school to adhere to the following rules.

**Please stay away if you have ANY symptoms at all:**

A loss (or change) to smell or taste

A new, continuous cough

A high temperature (hot to touch on either your chest or back)

**Please take a LFD before attending the School Nativity (to identify any asymptomatic cases)**

**Please wear a mask inside the school building (we recognise that a small minority of parents may be exempt – but if you can, please do)**

**Please sanitise your hands on arrival.**

**Please wear your coat...doors and windows will remain open to ensure good ventilation.**

Additional information: We have a register of those attending should we be required to engage with Test and Trace. Should it be the case that a member of our community has attended the event during their infectious period 2 days prior to symptoms or a positive result) we will 'warn and inform' all parents.

### Know someone with a child starting school in 2022?

We have spaces in Nursery and Reception now and for September next year.

Should you know anyone who would like a school tour please ask them to ring the school or contact the school office to arrange a convenient time for a visit.



### Christmas Jumpers or festive Christmas Colours

Today Year 6 voted to wear Christmas jumpers on the 9th December - Christmas Dinner Day. Should your child not have a Christmas jumper they would be most welcome to wear a red or green top. Please note that school trousers, skirts and shoes should be worn on this day.

### Thank you to our volunteers

We would like to say a HUGE thank you this Advent to the volunteers who give freely of their time to help in so many ways to support our school, making it the wonderful place it is: The PTA for the extra activities and fundraising, the governors for always strategically looking for ways to support and challenge the school, Amy and Ben who coach the best football team in the world - St Mary's. The Writhlington students, Will, Ben and Tom who come every week to hear children read and those volunteers who help on trips and in classes.

THANK YOU ☺

Uniform



## St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery Newsletter – Issue 8 – 3/12/2021



We have some remaining uniform for sale in the school office at cost price.

PE t-shirts  
School jumpers  
Cardigans  
Poloshirts

Reading Book Bags/PE bags.

Predominantly we have smaller sizes available.  
All other uniform is available on GOODDIES website.

Wed 8<sup>th</sup>, December, 3.15 – 5pm

### Christmas Market

We're planning a slightly different (but still very special) Christmas Market this year! Our Christmas Market will be more spaced out to keep things socially distanced and/or outdoors wherever possible.

We're planning to have:

- A special new Santa's Grotto
- An exciting raffle with LOTS of prizes
- Game stalls run by the children
- Refreshments
- Children's crafts to buy
- Secret Santa stall

**Raffle tickets** will be sent home this week for you to buy but if you need more, please ask in the office!



Tue 7<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm

### Wreath Making Workshop

This has been very popular this year and is now fully booked!

We look forward to showing you some photos of the beautiful wreaths that will be made.



### End of Term Arrangements - A reminder

Traditionally at the end of every 'big term' (Christmas, Easter and in the Summer) school finishes at 2:30 for children.

### Sparkle Trail

#### Maps are now available from the School Office

Enjoy a festive, outdoor walk around Writhlington with your friends and family. Visit all 6 'star stops' to find the letters and spell out a Christmas related word.



### Christmas Crafts ....

...are now on Parent Pay and available for you to buy. These amazing gifts can be collected from the Class Stalls at the Christmas Market. You can pay for these with cash on the day too!

### Christmas Tree Donation

HUGE thanks to John at Bath Christmas Tree Farm for the Christmas Trees for the children at St Mary's!!!!!! ☺  
We are so excited and looking forward to decorating them.

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