



OUR NEWS 15/11/19

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"In the Light of Jesus we Love, Listen and Grow"

Dates for your diary

Please see the 19/20 holiday dates on the school website under the parents tab, address above.

2019/2020

Crib Assembly	Mon 2nd Dec @2.30pm in school
Whole school Panto Trip	Tues 3rd December
Year 3 trip to New Walk Museum, Leicester	Friday 6th December
Key stage 1 Nativity Play	9th & 10th December - 2pm in Church
Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 13th December
Christmas Craft Fair	Fri 13th Dec @ 5pm in school
Carols by Candlelight	Tuesday 17th December @ 6.30
Christmas Parties & Christmas Dinner	Thursday 19th Dec
School finishes	Friday 20th Dec @ 12.30
Closed for Christmas	Mon 23rd Dec - Mon 6th Jan (Pupils return on Tues 7th Jan)

House Team updates

Our House teams have been busy starting their new projects for the Year. Within St Francis we have been very lucky to have had a donation of 15 hand made bird boxes to put up around the school. They have also been busy asking the council to help them arrange a Litter pick in the surrounding area. This will happen in the near future. St Bernadettes are soon to have a visit from the charity Rainbows and also hope to be able to arrange some fundraising. The Dogs Trust will also be visiting us in December and this has been arranged by Joan of Arc who will be raising money for them as well as Help the Heros. We are very proud of our pupils in their drive to help local charities.

Physical activity at School

We have made a very active start to the year so far with our children having sessions in judo, archery, dance, fencing, running, hockey and football. We are very excited that we can provide children with the opportunity to try different sports that they may want to take further in the future.

So that they can fully enjoy these opportunities please ensure that your child comes to school with their kit each week; black shorts, white t-shirt, trainers and plimsolls.

Also, warm outdoor clothing that can get dirty. Earrings should be removed or alternatively they can be taped over. We do not have tape in school so if this is needed please send your child to school with this.

Please remember that your child can get an active start to the day by being part of the Walk to School group. Staff are at the Whitwick Fryer carpark each morning from 8.30am. Nursery and reception children need to be accompanied by a parent. This is a free service and helps reduce the number of cars on Parsonwood Hill as well as

Birthday

Congratulations

A huge "Happy Birthday," goes to everyone who had Birthday celebrations recently. We hope you had a great day.

Eva (Yr1)
Imogen (Yr2)
Tilly (Yr4)
Kinley (Yr6)
Amelia (Yr1)
Eban (Yr2)
Olivia (Yr6)
Demi (Rec)
Connor (Yr6)
Isaac (Yr5)
Lucas (Yr1)
Lottie (Yr4)
Thomas (Yr4)
Sam (Yr4)
Olivia (Rec)
Summer (Yr2)
Abigail (Yr3)
Joseph (Yr1)
Molly (Yr6)
Evie (Yr3)
Alice (Yr6)
Daisy (Yr3)
Jenson (Yr1)



Year of the Word Bibles

As a celebration of the Year of the Word, which begins on the first Sunday of Advent (1st December) the Diocese have very generously purchased bibles for all of our Reception pupils. These will be blessed by Father during the crib assembly on Monday 2nd December and given to all of the children. We would like to thank Bishop Patrick for this lovely gift, we hope you enjoy sharing them with your child.

Aldi's Kits for Schools

Thankyou to everyone who supplied us with Aldi vouchers recently, we hit our 300 target and have been entered into the draw to possibly win £20,000. Whatever the outcome of that we will be receiving a new school sport's kit. Thankyou for your support.

FOHC

Thankyou to the ladies who organised movie night last night for our Key stage 2 pupils. We are looking forward to the film arranged for Key stage 1 next **Thursday 21st at 5.30pm**. Last night the film finished at 7.30, taking a little longer than expected. We would advise picking children up therefore at 7.30pm next week.

We would also like to thank the team for providing the funds for all children to attend the **Panto at Loughborough on Tuesday 3rd December**. The Panto is due to finish at 4.15pm and we aim to be **back at school for 4.45pm**. We will however send out a text to all parents when the bus leaves Loughborough.

Carols by Candlelight

Every year all schools in Leicestershire come together to raise money for the Menphys Nursery school in Sketchley Hill, Hinkley which provides specialist education for young children with Special Educational Needs. At Holy Cross we annually host our "Carols by Candlelight," evening. The aim of this event is to raise money but it is also an evening for our children to showcase their musical talents. As many of our pupils learn instruments outside of school this is a way for them to have the chance to perform to an audience. Many of our children also form a choir. This means giving up a number of their lunch times to practice, along with Miss Breeze and Mrs Smith and we are very grateful of the commitment they make. We would like to thank everybody in advance for their support in performing and attending.