

Note from the Head

Christmas is here! The stars of this week have to be Nursery, EYFS and Class 2 for their incredible performance in 'Prickly Hay'. The confidence of the children was amazing as they exuded happiness and delight in both their singing and dancing. There is nothing more magical than watching the youngest members of St John's retell the Christmas Story - especially when they have such beaming smiles on their faces. A huge thank you to all the staff for managing and organising the children.

Team Winners

Francisco (blue team) are the winners for this half term and may come to school in their own clothes on Monday.

KS2 Advent Service

This will be held on Tuesday at 2pm in the Church. You are welcome to watch the children retell the Nativity story and sing some festive hymns

Breakfast with Santa

Breakfast with Santa starts at 7:45 promptly on Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Party

On the afternoon of Wednesday 18th we shall be throwing a Christmas Party in the hall for the children. There will be party games and prizes and lots of fun as we bust out our coolest dance moves! Children may come to school that day wearing their party clothes

After School Club

After school club will be closed on Thursday and Friday

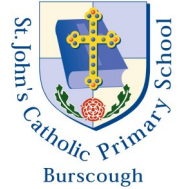
Christmas Dinner

The children will enjoy being served by staff on Thursday as we celebrate with our Christmas Dinner. If you wish book a place please do so using SCOPAY.

Father Daley

The children will be taking part in a celebratory afternoon on Thursday as we prepare to say Farewell to Father Daley

Friday 13th December



Mass times

Sunday 09.00 am Mon - Fri 09.00 am

Saturday 06.30 pm

08/12/24 Third Sunday of Advent

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:10-18

The 3rd Sunday of Advent Year C, also called Gaudete Sunday, is a day of rejoicing because the Lord is near. The readings remind us to find joy in waiting for Jesus, knowing that God is with us. We are called to share with those in need, live in peace, and prepare our hearts through repentance. This Sunday gives us hope and encouragement as we get ready for Christ's coming.

Approaching the Gospel with children

The people ask John the Baptist what they should be doing to prepare for the coming of Christ. John replies by saying that anyone who has two shirts should share with the person who has none. And he says that anyone who has something to eat must do the same.

We will talk about our own examples of sharing and how it feels when someone shares what they have with.

In Mass on Sunday we celebrated Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means joy. We will reflect on what makes us happy and joyful and identify the things in the world that all people need to live happy and healthy lives.

Key questions:

- What could you do this week to share and spread some joy in our world?

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The travelling nativity is on its journey throughout the school, thank you to the families who have hosted it and taken the time to write their own reflections in the diary.

Brass concert

Class 4 literally blew everyone away with their incredible performance on Tuesday. A special thank you to Mrs Greig from the Lancashire Music Service for her work with the children.

Reverse Advent Calendar

During the season of Advent we shall direct our thoughts in school to those less fortunate than us. We would like to run a 'Reverse' Advent Calendar appeal for families in need. Each week in December we will have a focus for donations:

The focus for next week is SWEET TREATS

If you are able to, could you please send a packet food item into school with your child by Friday. Thank you.

If you are in need, or if you know of a local family in need then please get in touch – in confidence – to Mrs Harrison-Scott in the office.

Christmas Holidays

We will close at 1:15 on Friday 20th December for the Christmas break. We re-open on Tuesday 7th January

Dates for your Diary

Tues 17th December - KS2 Advent service 2pm

Wed 18th December—Breakfast with Santa

Thurs 19th December - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Fri 20th December - School closes at 13:15

Tuesday 7th January - School reopens

The following children have been chosen by the Lunchtime Supervisors for their wonderful behaviour!

Class 1: Elias

Class 2: Penny

Class 3: Charlotte

Class 4: Alfie B



The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher for showing Love to others this week.

Well Done!!

EYFS: Elias and Kendall

Class 2: All of Class 2!!

Class 3: Neive

Class 4: Isla and Rhys

