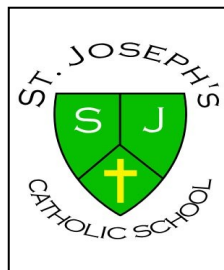


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NEWSLETTER

'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'

St. Joseph's Christmas DVD

As we all know this year has been full of changes and adapting to the way we would normally do things. So instead of our normal Nativity this year, each class has taken part in making a school DVD. There is a wonderful variety of entertainment to be enjoyed, from poetry to signing a traditional song. The DVD is on sale in school for £3. If you haven't yet purchased one and still wish to, please send money in an envelope with your child's name and class number. All money raised will go towards new resources in school. Thank you.



Leeds Diocese Youth Service News

"During these challenging times, here at the Youth Service, we have had to think of new ways of engaging with young people, our parishes and schools. As well as the Advent: Prepare the Way booklet with daily gospels and short reflections, this year, with some help from creative friends, we are travelling around the Diocese of Leeds with Mary, Joseph and the donkey. At each of our churches and schools, we are taking a photo and each day of Advent, posting on social media encouraging people to prepare the way". Can you spot where the scenes have been photographed?



Class One decorate the School Christmas Tree

The children in Class One enjoyed decorating the schools Christmas tree this year. As they couldn't be a part of the traditional 'Nativity,' they dressed in Nativity costumes and joined in decorating the tree. A very festive time was had by all.



PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE!!!!

Please can you ensure that all your child's clothing is named using a permanent marker or label. We appreciate how much it costs to send your child looking so smart to school. Please can you check your child's clothing regularly to ensure it is correct. Uniform can be purchased at MC Sports, Skipton, online at 'My clothing' or J3 Clothing at Burnley.



Dates for your diary:

School closes– 18th December
(staggered times 1.15-1.30pm)

Save the date: Christmas Masses
PLEASE TELEPHONE: Fr Firth
(01282 812204) or sign up in Church
to book a seat(s);

St Joseph's - Mass will be celebrated
at 4.00pm and 5.30pm on Christmas
Eve and at 10.30am on Christmas
Day

St Patrick's - Mass will be at 11.00pm
(nearly midnight) and 9.00am on
Christmas morning

School re opens– 4th January (your Class
start times continue)

Please refer to the calendar on our
school website.

SVP Support

Coming up to Christmas is a stressful time for many people and the cost for some families is crippling. Please do not hesitate in contacting our Parish Church if you know of anyone who needs help. Any contact can be kept confidential.

Foodbank

Thank you for all your foodbank donations. The children were proud to help others at this time of year. West Craven Foodbank say a big thank you.

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you once again to Wendy our cook and all her staff for the lovely Christmas Dinner made for us. The children loved eating in their groups with Christmas jumpers on to celebrate this special time of year.

Also, thank you to Mrs Murgatroyd (a parishioner) who bought every child a Christmas Cracker! This was so thoughtful.



Father Christmas messages the children in KS1.

The children in Key Stage 1 had a special message sent to them from Father Christmas! As he couldn't visit this year, Father Christmas recorded a special message just for us at St Joseph's. The children were thrilled to see him. Each child received a Christmas story book too!



Library News

The children from Lancashire are able to take part in the Reading Agencies "Winter Mini Challenge", which is their annual add on to the Summer Reading Challenge. The challenge is for children to read at least 3 books over the period of 1/12/20 to 15/1/21. They will be able to record them on the www.wintermini.org.uk website using the logins they used for the Summer Reading Challenge (if they did not take part in the summer, they will be able to sign up now). The Winter Mini Challenge encourages children to keep reading through the winter holidays by rewarding them for reading and reviewing books. There will be fun activities and challenges to complete and a downloadable certificate for completers of the challenge.

The Emperor's New Clothes

As we couldn't visit the Pantomime this year, the Pantomime came to us! Oh yes it did! The children enjoyed watching the Pantomime from the comfort of their own classrooms.



If you have any queries regarding items on this newsletter please come and see Mrs. De Carteret (Deputy Headteacher)

Christmas Holidays!

We would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a fabulous, restful and safe Christmas. The children have been absolutely amazing this term and we are so proud of how they have adapted to our new routines.

All of us at St Joseph's wish you a happy and safe holiday and we will see you next term.

