



St Kentigern's

R.C Primary School

24.11.2023

Dates for the Diary

Dates have been set for our many Christmas activities and they are as follows:

Tuesday 5 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity 9.30am/ 2.30pm
Wednesday 6 th December	Year 5 and 6 Carol Concert 4.30pm in church. Children will stay in school and teachers will walk them to church
Thursday 7 th December	Year 3 and 4 Carol Concert 4.30pm in church. Children will stay in school and teachers will walk them to church
Tuesday 12 th December	Nursery Sing along 9.30am
Wednesday 13 th December	Reception Nativity 9.30am
Thursday 14 th December	School Fair 3.30pm
Friday 15 th December	Pantomime Day
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Dinner Day/ PJ Day £1 donation to Ronald McDonald House
Wednesday 20 th December	Break up at 1.30pm

Reception and KS1 Nativity Tickets

Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity tickets are now available from the school office. Two tickets will be allocated per family. Any spare tickets will be available the day before the performance from the school office.

Reception Nativity - Wednesday 13th December 9.30am

KS1 Nativity (Years 1 & 2) - Tuesday 5th December 9.30am and 2.30pm

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be on **Tuesday 19th December.**

If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner, you can book online using the Christmas Dinner Form or you can call into the school office to reserve your school meal at a cost of £2.55 per child unless your child is eligible for free school meals.

The last day to book this is **Friday 8th December** as the kitchen need to place the food order that evening. Without pre-booking, your child will not be able to have a Christmas Dinner.

If your child is already having school dinners, you do not need to book a Christmas dinner

Pantomimes

Messages have been sent to all families regarding the Pantomimes but, in summary, the details are as follows:

Year 1 - Year 6:

Years 1 to 6 will be visiting Stockport Plaza Theatre on Friday 15th December 2023 to watch a performance pantomime of 'Peter Pan.' After a generous contribution from the school, the cost of the visit is £15 per child. The money can be paid to the office or on School Money by Monday 1st December 2023. If paying at the office, please can the correct amount be placed in a green envelope noting your child's name and class, as it will be difficult to give change given the large numbers.

Nursery and Reception:

Nursery and Reception are having a visit from a theatre company on Friday 15th December 2023. All the children in Nursery and Reception will have the opportunity to watch a pantomime performance of "Jack and the Beanstalk." After a generous contribution from the school, the cost of the visit is £7 per child. The money can be paid to the office or on School Money by Friday 1st December 2023. If paying at the office, please can the correct amount be placed in a green envelope noting your child's name and class as it will be difficult to give change given the large numbers.

Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Our new Breakfast and Afterschool Club will be starting in January. A pack outlining the process and charges for this facility is available from the School Office and has also been sent to families via ParentApps. As the Breakfast and Afterschool Club will be privately run, it is imperative that you sign up through Kickstart. The school office will be unable to book places for your children.

We are delighted to announce that Kickstart will offer provision in their Breakfast and Afterschool Club for our Nursery children. Places can be booked by the same online process.

Support for carers of children with SEND and autism.

LiftedMCR are located in the centre of Wythenshawe and offer support and advice to parent-carers of people with learning difficulties. If you feel that you would benefit from further advice and support, please click on the link below:

<https://liftedmcr.org.uk/>

Caritas in Action Award

This week, our Caritas in Action Award has been given to Folake for her inspirational contribution to our Bible group. Folake was the first of our children to run a session herself, choosing the Bible passage, preparing what she wanted to say and generating a discussion. This is a wonderful way of demonstrating the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Family and Community.



Maths Workshop

Thank you to the great many families who attended the Maths Workshop this week. We were delighted to see so many of you there and it was clear that you all enjoyed working with your children.



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Chester thought long and hard about how to complete all his maths work.

Collective Worship for families

Please find below, the link to this week's Collective Worship newsletter.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Right of the Week

Article 12 Respect for Children's Views

Children have the right to give their opinions freely on issues that affect them. Adults should listen and take children seriously

A Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope we are all warm and well! They say this weekend will be especially cold. This weekend is the feast of "Christ the King," a celebration to end the church year. It is this feast that helps us think about our time in praise and service of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Each day, each month, all year, we are called to remember who we are; the family of God. This very theme is at the heart of everything we say and do in school and at home, under the title of "St Kentigern's." "When we see all that is happening in our world, then we are reminded that our allegiance and trust in God is essential as that helps us be peaceful people. So, we celebrate Jesus Christ; above all and within all, Christ our King to whom we pray and serve. Have a great weekend. Stay well and warm.

St Kentigern, pray for us.

With continued best wishes,

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Mrs Muldoon

Headteacher