



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

'We will prepare the way'



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Dear Parents/ Carers,

28th November 2014

The children are practising hard for their Christmas productions. Our school is currently filled with the sound of beautiful singing. The spirit of Christmas is truly alive at St John's!

Dates for your diary - December		
Tuesday 2 nd Dec	7.00pm	Super Sing (Grace Academy)
Friday 5 th Dec	9.30am	Mass 'Advent' led by Y5
Friday 5 th Dec	2.00pm	Pantomime 'Peter Pan' (in school)
Tuesday 9 th Dec	9.30am	KS1 Christmas Production
Friday 12 th Dec	9.30pm	FKS Christmas Production
Monday 15 th Dec	All day	Year 2 trip to Thomas Land
Tuesday 16 th Dec	7.00pm	KS2 Christmas Production
Friday 19 th Dec	9.30am	Mass (End of term) led by Y1
Friday 19 th Dec	2.00pm	School closes for Christmas holidays

Behaviour for Learning Policy

We follow the 'Good to Be Green' strategy to support and encourage good behaviour. Following a number of expressions of interest about our Behaviour for Learning Policy, I have attached our newly revised Behaviour Ladder. This has been simplified and has been shared and agreed by all staff who support children in our school. Please take time to discuss this with your child.

Donations to Our Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who has donated so generously towards our Christmas Fayre. We have a very hard working PTFA (who are always looking for new members) and money from all events is spent in school for the benefit of all our children.

First Confessions

Children in Year Three who are making their First Holy Communion this year will be partaking in the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Tuesday 9th December. Please do everything possible to ensure they attend school on that day.

'St John the Baptist, pray for them'

Advent Mass

Year Five will be leading our whole school Mass next Friday which will mark the beginning of Advent. You are all most welcome to join us in church at 9.30am to begin your Christmas faith journey.



Thumbs Up Award

Well done to Year 2 and Year 4 for their excellent behaviour during lunchtimes this week.

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 3 with 95.5%. Well done!



Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations our most punctual classes this week were Year 4 and Year 6



Star of the Week

Congratulations to Ruby McC in Year Four we're all really proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend
Yours sincerely

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

A Prayer for Advent

God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory.

Amen

