



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

'We will prepare the way'



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Dear Parents/ Carers,

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Dates for your diary - December		
Tuesday 9 th Dec	9.30am	KS1 Christmas Production
Friday 12 th Dec	9.30am	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

Christmas Fayre

We all enjoyed a very successful Christmas fayre last Friday. It was lovely to see such an excellent turn out – even Father Christmas came! A special thank you must go to the members of our PTFA who not only worked hard on the night but have also spent weeks preparing for the event. I'll let you know how much money was raised next week.

Super Sing

I had the privilege of being invited to this year's Super Sing concert, held at Grace Academy. A group of our Year Six children spent a day preparing for this event, alongside children from eight other local schools. They worked incredibly hard and behaved in an outstanding manner, whilst practising and during the concert. The result was amazing! I can't believe what was achieved in one day and I felt incredibly proud of you all! Thank you to Mr Smith for accompanying the children and being a fantastic choir master for the whole event.

Peter Pan Pantomime

We all had a great time this afternoon watching Peter Pan. This event was part funded and organised by our PTFA. A lovely example of how their hard work benefits all children in our school. If you are interested in joining or supporting the PTFA, please contact Mrs Sharron Bisconti.



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Cassidy G, Tahir I, Ellie B, Kyle H



Thumbs Up Award

Well done to Year 1 and Year4 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 4 with 94.6%. Well done!



Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations our most punctual class this week was Year 2



Star of the Week

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

Have a lovely weekend
Yours sincerely

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

The Magnificat

The Magnificat is Mary's response to Elizabeth's greeting, glorifying God and thanking Him for choosing her to bear His Son. Mary went to see her cousin and the baby in Elizabeth's womb—John the Baptist—leapt with joy when Elizabeth heard Mary's voice...

*My soul magnifies the Lord
And my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
Because He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaid;
For behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed;
Because He who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is His name;
And His mercy is from generation to generation
on those who fear Him.
He has shown might with His arm,
He has scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.
He has put down the mighty from their thrones,
and has exalted the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich He has sent away empty.
He has given help to Israel, his servant, mindful of His mercy
Even as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity forever.*

