



Rawmarsh St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter

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Friday 2nd December

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our week in school began with the blessing of the Advent Wreaths. The children were very reverent as the teachers led the assembly. Each day the classes have gathered in prayer at 3pm to reflect on how they can prepare to celebrate the birthday of Jesus at Christmas. I have heard some of the prayers that the children have written at home which have been very thought provoking.

Saying Goodbye

We will say goodbye to Mrs. Christine Clarke at the end of this term. She will be retiring after working as part of our school community for over 30 years, in many different guises. We wish her well for her retirement and thank her for her dedication to the families and staff of St Joseph's over her long career here.

Parent Voice

Well done to our fabulous group of parents who worked so hard in preparation for the Dragon's Den Project. We attended the event last Friday evening and were very successful. The Dragons awarded us the full £5000 that we pitched for which will be used to enhance the playground.

Christmas Disco

Parent Voice is busy organising the Christmas Discos which are next Friday 9th December.

KS1 3:30pm-5pm

KS2 5:30pm-7pm.

Children in FS2, Year 1 and Year 2 can bring a change of clothes to school for the disco.

It will cost £1 admission and the children will all be given drinks and snacks for no additional money.

There will be NO After School clubs in this day.

Attendance

Unfortunately we still do not have our email system back to normal and so the grid will be back when we can access it.

Our overall attendance was well below our target of 97% at 93.8%.



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The class winners this week were Year 4 with 96.3%. Well done Year 4. We still have a high number of pupils who are arriving at school late. You must make sure your child arrives at school on time to avoid gaps in their learning and disrupting the learning of the other children.

There will be Attendance Panel Meetings next week. Mrs. Devine will be sending letters to those who are required to attend. Parents of children who are repeatedly late to school may also be invited to attend the panel.

Rawmarsh Community Event

The event will officially open at 11am not 10am as previously thought. There will be craft stalls, a children's entertainer, Santa's Grotto and of course our very own Bottle tombola. It promises to be a fun day. Please come along and join the fun.

Class Dojo

We now have over 70 parents signed up to Class Dojo. If you haven't signed up yet then please do so. If you have misplaced your password then please see your child's teacher for another one.

Christmas Dinner

This will be next Thursday 8th December. There will be no other choices available on the day.

Class Parties

Please see your class teachers next week for details of the class parties.

Year 6 Enterprise Project

Year 6 will be involved in the St Joseph's Mince Pie Marathon when they return from Robinwood. They are tasked with advertising, making and selling Mince Pies to parents and families within the community. They will also be providing the Mince Pies for the refreshments at the Carol Services on Thursday 15th December. They will be taking orders and making them fresh. Mr. Barnett will be working with them as well as Mr. Howard and Mrs. Boden.

Reading Workshop for Parents

This has now been rearranged for Friday 9th December at 9am. It will be a relaxed session and will help any parent who wishes to come and help with reading in school. Reading is an area of development that we have been focusing on over the last term. During the term Mr. Searson, our Literacy Leader, has implemented a new approach to reading comprehension and has introduced a Core Reading Text. Each class has a 15 minute reading session where they listen to a core story. This enables other staff to work with individual children on specific reading targets.



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Outstanding Dinner Money

Please send any outstanding dinner money into school ASAP.
Thank you for your co operation with this.



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Diary Dates

Thursday 8th December
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Friday 9th December

Monday 12th December

Tuesday 13th December

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Wednesday 14th December

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Thursday 15th December

Thursday 15th December

Thursday 15th December

Thursday 15th December

Friday 16th December

Giving Mass 9:15am in church

Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas Disco in the school hall-

KS1 3:30pm-5pm

KS2 5:30pm- 7pm

Year 6 Advent Presentation 9:15am in
the school hall

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the school hall.

St Pius Advent Service 6:30pm at St
Pius.

Y4 Advent Presentation 9:15am in the
school hall.

Year 3 Advent Presentation 9:15am in
the school hall,

KS2 Carols 1:30pm in the school hall

KS1 Nativity 2pm in church.

KS1 Nativity 6:30pm in church

KS2 Carols 6pm in the school hall

School Closes for Christmas at 2pm