# St. George's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

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**Dear Parents** 

Our Collective Worship this week was focused on Advent and the theme of Loving. It's amazing how quickly it has come around and Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. We'll be thinking about all the themes of Advent in the next 3 ½ weeks and how we prepare for Christmas, other than cards and presents.

## **PTA CHRISTMAS EVENTS**

The children took letters home tonight with all the information regarding the PTA Christmas activities. The PTA have done a great job in organising events for the children in December, starting with a visit from the Christmas Elf to all classes on Thursday 1st December. There's lots more too so it should be a very exciting time for all our children.

## **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**

This year, as we usually do, we'll be celebrating **Save The Children's Christmas Jumper Day**. This is a special day to help raise awareness and funds for an amazing charity whose work is absolutely invaluable. It takes place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December and Save The Children want to reach all schools this year! This is the information from their website...



'Do NOT buy a brand-new sweater! You can <u>buy a second-hand</u> <u>Christmas jumper from our online shop</u> or visit one of our <u>charity shops</u> across the country.

Or why not make your own jumper? Just grab any old thing from the back of the cupboard and cover it with stickers, felt, tinsel, glitter, baubles, whatever. Yule look woolly wonderful!

Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day is the best day of the whole

entire year, so it's super-important that not one single person misses it. Let's get every single person totally involved.'

An old tee-shirt or jumper, with a bit of Christmas decoration would make the perfect top for the day. Please don't buy something especially for the day – use what you can!

We ask for just £1.00 from each child on the day. The Government has promised to match each £2.00 raised with a donation of £2.00!!!

#### FOUNDATION GOVERNOR NEEDED

Our school's Governing Body needs your help! We are looking for 1 FOUNDATION GOVERNOR to complete are numbers. The Governing body is made up of 7 Foundation Governors, 1 Local Authority Governor, 2 Parent Governors, 1 Staff Governor and the Headteacher (12 in total). If you think you may be interested in joining the Governing Body, please speak with Mr Chapman or our Chair (Pauline Davies). All you will need is a reference from your local parish priest.

Please class the school office and we'll ensure someone can talk to you regarding the role. THANK YOU.

#### INFORMING SCHOOL OF AN ABSENCE

In order for school to keep an accurate record of pupil attendance and absence, can we ask that all parents ensure that an absence is reported via the School Spider app. If you are not on the app, please register for updates and communication purposes. All details are on our school website under the PARENTS tab.

If you are not on the app and need to report an absence, it must be phoned through to Mrs Jones. Some parents are reporting to their child's class teacher but it must go to Mrs Jones or the school app. Thank you.

## **DATES FOR DIARIES**

We have lots of events coming up in the next 3 ½ weeks. Below you'll see the dates we currently have and these are also on the school website on our calendar.

Please note that the Tableau with KS2 children in Church has now been set for Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December. This means the PTAs Santa Dash is now moved to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

Thursday 1st December

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Tuesday 13th December

Wednesday 14th December

Thursday 15th December

Friday 16th December

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Monday 19th December

Tuesday 20th December

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ELF is in school to see all our children!

Own Clothes day

KS1 Christmas Play @ 9.30

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EYFS Christmas Play @ 9.30

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Father Christmas comes to town!

Santa Dash (pm)

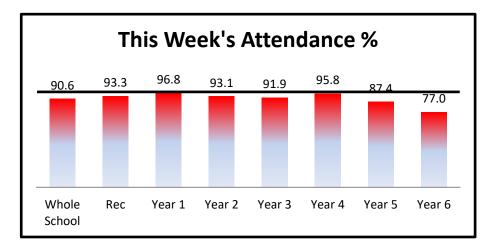
KS2 Tableau @ 1.30

Assembly to present Alister Saville Card WINNERS

Children's Class Party Afternoon

### **ATTENDANCE**

This week's attendance can be seen below. The school target is 96% - as represented by the black line.



Well done Year 1 – the only class to meet the target this week!

Wishing you all a great weekend.

Mr P. Chapman Headteacher