



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This week in school:

On Monday morning, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 took part in drama workshops with Perform which looked thoroughly enjoyable.

On Tuesday morning, our Reception class went to the local Post Office to post their letters to Santa. Thank you to all those parents who helped and amazingly they didn't get too wet in the stormy weather.

On Wednesday morning, Chaplins theatre group visited school to perform a pantomime. Year 6 were able to watch live and the performance was livestreamed to the other classes. It was lovely to hear the laughter and see our Year 6 enjoying the show so much.

This morning, we held our annual Talent Show which was amazing. I am constantly impressed with the confidence of the children who perform each year and this year we delighted by a range of talents including: singing, dancing, piano playing and gymnastics. The budding comedians were also a joy to watch!

Thank you to all those families who donated to Save the Children fund today and to all the children who wore their Christmas jumpers. What a festive sight! All children are invited to wear their jumpers again next week for the Christmas dinner on Thursday.

Coronavirus Update:

We continue to see no new cases in school since last writing to you all. Thank you again to all, those parents who have kept their children at home and had them tested with cold-like symptoms.

We will continue with the current extra precautions we have in place until the end of term. Although we would love to have you all in to see the performances live, governors and leaders agree that the risk of transmitting the virus to families just before the Christmas holiday by allowing a live audience to attend the various performances is not appropriate at this time.



Please remember that the symptoms of the new variant and the positive cases we have had in school are different from the original ones. The most common symptoms we have seen in school in the past 2 weeks are headaches, sore throats, tiredness, vomiting and eye strain. If your child has any of these symptoms, please treat it as suspected Coronavirus and get them tested.

Christmas activities:

All the Christmas performances will be recorded and the recordings put on the website for you to see. The children are doing a great job practising and they will be a lovely treat for you to watch with your child at home.

Donations needed, if possible:

The Creary family have set up a Go Fund Me page to help with funeral costs for Dontae's funeral. If you are able to make a donation to help the family at this very difficult and sad time, please follow the link below or send in a cash donation to the Office:

<https://gofund.me/ff175b85>

Advent:

Please continue to send in any spare change you have for CAFOD during Advent.

First communion classes:

First communion class continue this Sunday after Mass. If your child is making their first holy communion next June, please come to Mass at 9:50am and the class will follow at 10:50am until 12pm.

Nut free school:

Please remember that we have a number of children with nut allergies: some airborne. This means that we need to insist that all products sent into schools are nut free. There are some food items you would not think contained nuts so please can all parents check labelling when making packed lunches.

Finally:

Fr Rupert has suggested spending time as a family reading the Mass readings together.

Here is the link to the Sunday Mass readings:

<https://universalis.com/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1qYz7rfgLWE>

Thank you for all your support. Have a restful weekend,

J. Kingston

Mrs Kingston.



Important Dates:

| Date | Event |
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| Wednesday 15 th December | End of term assembly AM |
| Thursday 16 th December | Christmas dinner day |
| Friday 17 th December | End of term |

| Date | Event |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Tuesday 4 th January | Inset Day |
| Wednesday 5 th January | Start of Term 3 |

