



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **This Week:**

This morning we had our Advent service led by our chaplains. They reminded us of how important it is to prepare for Christmas in our hearts as well as in our homes. It was lovely to have Fr Rupert to join us to mark the beginning of this season. During Advent we are collecting for CAFOD every Friday.

Today our Chaplains went to Clifton Cathedral to be commissioned by the Bishop. They received their badges and celebrated mass and were a credit to our school.

Yesterday after school a group of children from years 5 and 6 went to Ashton Park Secondary School for an athletics event. They took part in javelin, running and jumping activities and came a very respectable 4<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday and Wednesday year 4 had lantern making workshops to create their lanterns for the Bedminster Lantern Parade. They have made a wonderful class Viking and individual shields and helmets. Please join us to parade next Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 4:20pm from outside St Francis church on North Street.

### **Breakfast Club:**

If your child is attending breakfast club, you will need to come to the main school doors to sign your child in. Only a member of staff from breakfast club can do this with you and let your child into the building. If your child is in year 5/6 and walks to school alone, they can sign themselves in.

### **Christmas Dinner:**

Please order your child's Christmas lunch (Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December) by next Friday. The choices are: Roast turkey, Quorn roast or halal turkey. Please remember, if your child is in key stage 2 and you are not entitled to free school meals, you will need to pay £2.10.

### **Homework:**

The homework this week is reading.

### **PTFA Events:**

Christmas Disco – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 6-8pm in the school hall.

**Tombola** - The PTFA is looking for donations for our popular tombola stall at the disco. Any size gift for adult or child is welcome - gently used teddies, games, toys, books, etc. Can also be new packaged food, chocolates, wine, etc. All donations required by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Please hand them in to class teachers. Thank you.



## **Attendance and Punctuality:**

Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.1%.

| Class     | Yearly Attendance | Weekly Attendance | Late children this week |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Reception | 94.9              | 89.5              | 9                       |
| Year 1    | 96.1              | 97.2              | 6                       |
| Year 2    | 95.2              | 93.9              | 8                       |
| Year 3    | 95.2              | 92.4              | 6                       |
| Year 4    | 97.4              | 97.3              | 5                       |
| Year 5    | 96.8              | 95.8              | 3                       |
| Year 6    | 97.5              | 94.7              | 6                       |
| Total     | 96.3              | 94.5              | 43                      |

Thank you to those who attend regularly. Please remember to phone the school office if your child is going to be absent. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you and then may also make a home visit if we are unable to contact you. Thank you to those who arrive on time. Remember, children can go straight to class from 8:45am or attend breakfast club from 8am if necessary. If we receive pupil premium funding for your child then breakfast club is free. From September 2017 we have been asked by the local authority to issue penalty notice fines when a child is absent for more than 4 days within a 10 week period.

Thank you for your continued support and interest.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. J Kingston



Head teacher

## **Term 2**

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|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December  | - | Year 6 Trip                                 |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December   | - | Year 1 and 2 class mass 9.05am              |
|                                     | - | Years 3 and 4 athletics (selected children) |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December     | - | Reception trip to Post office               |
|                                     | - | Year 6 Canada day                           |
| Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December   | - | Lantern Parade                              |
| Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December  | - | Christmas pantomime pm                      |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December    | - | KS2 Talent Show 9.30am                      |
|                                     | - | Christmas Jumper Day                        |
|                                     | - | Christmas Disco 6-8pm                       |
| Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December   | - | KS1 Nativity 2pm                            |
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December | - | KS1 Nativity 9.30am                         |
|                                     | - | Christmas Dinner                            |
| Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December  | - | End of Term                                 |
|                                     | - | Celebration Assembly 9.05am                 |
|                                     | - | KS2 Carol Service 2pm                       |