



# St. John the Evangelist R.C. Primary School



## Newsletter

November 2016

### Diary Dates

This half term is one of our busiest as we prepare during Advent for the Christmas celebrations.

Below are the dates for your diaries:-

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> - Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Dec

Christmas Cooking Week

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

Whole school Christmas Dinner

### Christmas Productions

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm Rec/Y1/Y2

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 2pm Rec/Y1/Y2

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 10am Nursery AM

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2pm Nursery PM

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm KS2 Carol Service in church

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec End of term Mass 9.15 in church

### Christmas Parties

**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Nursery/Reception Party

**Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Christmas Disco 6-8 pm

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Y1/Y2 Christmas Party

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Y3/Y4 Christmas Party

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Y5/Y6 Christmas Party

Tickets for all production/services will be £1.00 each. There will be 2 tickets per family for each one initially. Any tickets left will be on general sale after this date. These will be available between Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov - Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. Please do not attend without a ticket. Any siblings in school will have attended dress rehearsals, so should not need to attend after school productions. Due to fire regulations we cannot exceed our hall capacity.

### School Hours

A gentle reminder of school hours as we have an increasing number of children arriving late for school:-  
Nursery - Morning session begins at 8.45 am, so children should be in school ready to begin at this time.

All other children - Doors open at 8.40 am ready for an 8.50 am start.

External gates need to be locked before 9 am. Please make every effort to arrive on time.

Children in Reception - Y6 should not use the front entrance as a matter of routine.

### Smoking

Our school is a no smoking site; this includes the gates to school. We would ask all parents to be considerate and not smoke near to school, this includes electronic cigarettes.

A number of parents have expressed concern that their children are having to walk through smoke/vapour near the school gates.

### Weather change

As the weather becomes increasingly colder and wetter, please ensure your child has a change of footwear for school - this could be in their P.E. kit or indoor shoes. Children should also have a cardigan/jumper to wear and a suitable outdoor coat.

All uniform/coats should have your child's name in, so we can return mis-placed items promptly.

### Christmas Fair

There will be a Christmas Fair held in the school hall on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 1-4 pm.

There will be a wide range of stalls - an ideal opportunity for some early Christmas shopping!

If anyone would like to donate a tombola prize please bring in for Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Nov or cakes for a stall on Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, thank you.

### Sporting Success

Well done to our KS2 pupils who won the Penalty Shoot-out at Hartlepool United, they are through to the next round of the competition.

**School closes at 3 pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December. We return on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017.**

Thank you for Donations for shoebox appeal, Cakes for Cancer Research - we raised £80, Donations for Billingham Food Bank.

Thank you for your support this term.