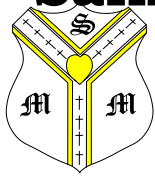


# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 8th December 2017

## IMPORTANT NOTICE- FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER

SCHOOL WILL CLOSE FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AT 2PM.

### RECEPTION ADVENT SERVICE



Thank you to all the Reception children and staff who started off our Advent Season in school with a beautiful service in church. They helped us to remember that Advent is a time of waiting and preparation for the coming of Jesus and a celebration of his birth. They had been working very hard to make sure our first celebration of Advent in church was very special.

It was lovely to see so many family and friends there supporting their children.

In the next couple of weeks, we will be led in prayer by Year 1 and Year 2 for their Advent services.



### Sharing our Faith Second Sunday of Advent



On Sunday, we will hear about how John the Baptist prepared people for the coming of Jesus by baptising them. When John the Baptist began to prepare the way for Jesus, it wasn't just for his friends and family. His message was for everyone who would listen.

We can prepare for Jesus by being kind and generous to other people and by saying sorry for all the things that we've done wrong.

When you are preparing for Christmas this week, why not think about all the other people around the world who are also getting ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Maybe you could say a prayer for them this week.

A Prayer to Share

Generous God, as we prepare for the coming of your Son Jesus, help us to remember all our brothers and sisters in our global family and to share your love with them. Amen.

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## Dates for your Diary

12th December  
Christmas Crafts for Year 2

12th December  
Nursery 1 Nativity at 2.00pm

14th December  
Year 1 Advent Service 2:15 pm

15th December  
Nursery 2 Mornings Nativity at 10.00am

15th December  
Nursery 2 Afternoons Nativity at 2.00pm

17th December  
Parish Carol Service 3:00 pm

18th December  
Christmas Dinner and  
Christmas Jumper Day

19th December  
Nursery & Reception Party Day

20th December  
Year 2 Advent Service 2:15 pm

21st December  
Year 1 & Year 2 Party Day

22nd December  
Visit from Father Christmas  
2pm finish for Christmas Holidays

## **Year 2 Christmas Crafts**

This year, we were inundated with requests for places on the Christmas Crafts Workshop. We are sorry parents and children were disappointed at not getting a place. We are reviewing this provision and allocation of places for next year.



## *ACORN FARM VISITS for FOUNDATION CHILDREN*

Over the past two weeks, the children in Reception and Nursery have enjoyed visits to Acorn Farm to see the animals and meet a very special visitor. The children met Father Christmas and were able to talk to him about the things they would like for Christmas. We made sure Father Christmas knew that all the children had been very good this year.

Thank you to Mrs Kerr and all the foundation staff and volunteers for organising this special trip.



## School Attendance Matters

### This week's Attendance

Class 1	98	Class 7	96.7
Class 2	96.3	Class 8	96
Class 3	98.3	Class 9	89.3
Class 4	90	Class 10	99.7
Class 5	95.7	Class 11	93
Class 6	98.7	Class 12	98.3

**Our target for attendance is 96%.**

Attendance Award in Reception goes to  
Class 10

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 6  
Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 3



Thank you to everyone  
who enjoyed our  
annual Christmas Bingo last night.

We raised a wonderful £550

