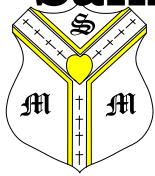


Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 15th December 2017

**IMPORTANT NOTICE- FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER
SCHOOL WILL CLOSE FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AT 2PM.**

YEAR 1 ADVENT SERVICE

Yesterday afternoon, we gathered in church to celebrate our second Advent service, which was led by Year 1 children. The service was very prayerful and all the children did a wonderful job leading the prayers, the hymns, acting and reading.

Thank you to Year 1 staff and children.

Monday 18th December

Christmas Dinner and
Christmas Jumper Day

Children are asked to bring a small contribution towards school fund on this day towards Christmas activities and parties.

The suggested contribution is £1. Please note the only school meal option will be Christmas Dinner. Your child can bring a packed lunch if required.

Sharing our Faith Third Sunday of Advent



The third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete Sunday. **Gaudete** means 'Rejoice'. It is a day to be joyful about the coming of Jesus. It is marked by the lighting of the pink candle on the Advent Wreath.

Today we break from the Gospel of Mark to hear from the Gospel of John, who talks about John the Baptist from a slightly different perspective. John the Baptist here is 'a witness to tell the world about the light'. He is 'sent by God' – a man with a mission, just as we have a mission. The passage calls us to recognise the light here in our world, and to testify in whatever way we are able to that light to others.

We Pray

Loving Lord, as we look forward to Jesus' birthday, help us to remember that you will come into the world again. We want to be acting in a way that shows your love always to others. Amen.

Nursery Nativities

Well done and thank you to the nursery children and staff. The nursery nativity plays this year were fantastic.

I am sure parents, family and friends will agree the children did a wonderful job; singing, dancing and acting. Well done.

Well done to the staff who worked so hard ensuring the children were ready.



Dates for your Diary

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

You better watch out, you
better take care...

**Santa Claus is
coming to school.**

Santa, as we all know, is very busy at this time of year, but he has promised to visit our school next Friday 22nd December because our children have been so good all year. He will be visiting each class in school with a gift for each child.

(There is no charge).



School Attendance Matters

This week's Attendance

Class 1	95.3	Class 7	95.7
Class 2	97	Class 8	97
Class 3	95.7	Class 9	94.3
Class 4	97.7	Class 10	98.7
Class 5	92.3	Class 11	91.3
Class 6	96	Class 12	93.4

Our target for attendance is 96%.

Attendance Award in Reception goes to
Class 10

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 8

Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 4



Christmas Number Puzzles

How many can you solve?

1. Mrs Boardman bought two boxes of Christmas tree ornaments. Each box contained 8 ornaments. How many ornaments did Mrs Boardman buy?
2. Santa's elves work very hard. They work for 10 hours each day. How many hours do they work in 5 days?
3. If the wise men used 3 camels. How many legs were there on all the camels?



