



Newsletter

Friday 24th November 2017

Father Smith

The Bishop has recently announced that Father David Smith will be the new priest at St Anthony's of Padua serving the school and the parish. Father Smith's job will include looking after St Coloumba's in Wallsend, as well as our parish. His first Mass will be either Saturday 2nd December or Sunday 3rd December. Once this is confirmed, I will let parents know as it would be a lovely opportunity for families to welcome Father Smith to our community.

RE Questionnaires

Thank you to all the parents that took the time to complete the questionnaires. We are now collating all of the information and we will report back with the results.

Shopping Evening

I would like to say a massive THANK YOU to all the people who made the shopping evening a massive success. We are hoping to do it all again next year so we will keep you posted.

Pantomime

Please note that there has been a change of date and venue for the Early Years (Nursery and Reception) pantomime, as we are now taking them to see Snow White at the NE6 on the 14th December at 10am. More details will follow.

Christmas Productions

Tickets for all productions will go on sale Monday 27th November. Please fill in the form at the bottom of this newsletter and return to school with the money owed. The cost being £1 per ticket and everyone who purchases a ticket will have an allocated seat. The £1 entry will get you a cup of tea or coffee and all proceeds will go towards staging the performances.

Mr Moran

Congratulations to Mr Moran who has been appointed the new Deputy Head Teacher of St Aidan's school in Ashington. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Moran for all his hard work and commitment, and to wish him good luck when he takes up his new role on 1st January 2018. Mrs Turner who has worked at St Alban's and knows the children and our school well, will teach in Year 5 until the end of the school year.



Facebook

We use Facebook to communicate lots of lovely things we do here in school, I know that parents appreciate this service and enjoy viewing it. I also know that a lot of parents use Facebook and other social media platforms outside our school system. Can I just remind parents that if they make comments about school, that they please only comment on the facts. Recently parents have made comments on Facebook that have not included all of the facts. I would therefore like to ask parents to be fair when using social media to comment on school issues. I would also like to inform parents that if any misrepresentation or untrue inappropriate comments are made about school, I will challenge these if they are brought to my attention.

Dates

Please find below a list of dates for over the Christmas period. As you can appreciate these dates could change slightly but we will give as much notice as possible if this happens. Please make note of the **Inset Day** which is on the **1st December**. Again, we have tried to give you as much notice as possible of this day.

Date	Event	Details
1st December	Inset Day	School Closed
3 rd December	1 st Sunday of Advent	Mass at St Anthony's
3 rd December	Parish Christmas Fayre	1.30pm – 4pm
12 th December	Carol Singing	10am Asda
12 th December	Nursery & Reception Performance	10am School Hall
13 th December	Year 1 to 6 Performance	10am School Hall
14 th December	Early Years Pantomime	10am NE6 Suite Snow White
14 th December	Year 1 to 6 Performance	2pm School Hall
15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	Donation of chocolate for local charities
15 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	NO Packed Lunches
19 th December	Year 1 to 6 Pantomime	Customs House, Lambton Worm £10
22 nd December	Whole School Mass	St Anthony's 1pm

Name	Performance	Tickets @ £1 Each
	12th December (Rec & Nur) 10am	
	13th December Y1 – Y6 10am	
	14th December Y1 – Y6 2pm	

I enclose full payment of £_____

