

# St Stephen's Catholic Primary School



## Christmas Newsletter



Working together to succeed through faith  
in Jesus Christ

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

Foundation Stage Stars of the Week	
Foundation Stage Silver Stars 	Lamiya Oliwier

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Ajsa Izabelle	Frayah Kornel

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Yarrah Niia 	Abdul Roxanne	Angelika John 	Joshua Nadia

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week	Attendance Awards	
Reception	98.0%	Victoria
Year 1	97.1%	Dominik
Year 2	97.1%	Maksym
Year 3	92.5%	Grace
Year 4	96.1%	Abdul
Year 5	94.0%	Damian
Year 6	96.3%	Klaudia
<b>School Attendance Award</b> 96.1%	<b>Congratulations to Mrs Sheron's class for having the best attendance this week.</b>	

<u>Proud Work Display</u>
This week's children on our 'Proud Work' display are:- <b>Reception - Kai</b> <b>Year 1 - Whole Class</b> <b>Year 2 - Whole Class</b> <b>Year 3 - Whole Class</b> <b>Year 4 - Faith</b> <b>Year 5 - Whole Class</b> <b>Year 6 - Ilinca</b>

## Rainbow Champions

- Reception** - Victoria, Lucas, Chole, Bianka, Keilon, Mason, Kai and Alfie W  
**Year 1** - Ajsa, Jimmy, Jessica, Lily, Codie, Nathaniel, Izabelle, Niall, Amelia P, Sheza, Nevaeh, Amelia V, Oliver and Simon  
**Year 2** - Oliver B, Laney-Mai, Alissa, Julia, Amelia, Cecylia, Tia, Maria, Millie, Ollie, Damian and Harvey  
**Year 3** - Caiden, Angel, Anthony, Jake, Ellis, Charlie, Maci-Beau and Harry  
**Year 4** - Elis, Georgie, Faith, Tyler, Weronika, Vienna, Jack, Keane, Lindsay, Madelyn, Courtney, Abdul, Tianna and Emily-May  
**Year 5** - Whole Class  
**Year 6** - Dominic C, Sophie, Callum, Leah and Emily

## Christmas Activities and Events



Thank you to all of our pupils, families and staff for all of their support and efforts with our range of Christmas activities and events over the last few weeks. From plays to movie nights and Christmas Liturgy to Christmas Family Celebrations - we have enjoyed sharing some magical moments with you in the lead up to Christmas. Your support providing costumes, donating money and prizes and attending the event is much appreciated by myself, the staff and the pupils.

Tomorrow is Christmas Party Day so pupils may wear their own clothes. We look forward to a special visitor joining us too! Ho, ho, ho!

## Goodbye and Good Luck!



Tomorrow, we will be saying goodbye to two members of staff. Mr Mutch will be leaving St. Stephen's after a term of teaching Year 4. We wish him every success as he moves on and thank him for all of his efforts with Year 4 this term.

Also, Mrs Ridpath will be leaving our Nurture Group, Leapfrog, as she begins her maternity leave tomorrow. We wish her a restful few weeks ahead as she prepares to welcome her new bundle of joy early next year!

## Stranger Danger



Staff have been reminding pupils about keeping safe when out and about at this time of year. With the holidays approaching and the dark nights of winter in full swing, we encourage our families to chat to their children too and make them aware of keeping safe and not talking to strangers.

## ADVANCE NOTICE FOR YEAR 5 PARENTS:



Mr Glynn and I will be holding an information meeting for our current Year 5 pupils and their families on Monday 14th January 2019 at 9.00am. The purpose of the meeting is to share with you the information about the new Year 6 Residential that will happen in September 2019 as the children begin Year 6. We will discuss the new location, cost, deposits etc. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible to learn about this exciting new adventure.

## Reminder:



School closes for the Christmas holidays on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 3.00pm.  
We reopen for the Spring Term on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 8.45am.

*As we draw to the end of the Autumn Term, I would like to thank everyone who has helped me settle in to life at St. Stephen's since September. We have already achieved lots this term and have so much to look forward over the coming months.*

*Thank you to our parents, carers and families who have been so friendly, supportive and welcoming. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know you all.*

*Thank you to our governors who have shown a real sense of commitment to St. Stephen's and embraced the journey we are on. Their support and challenge is much appreciated.*

*A special thanks goes to our hard working staff who go that extra mile every day to ensure that our children make the most of their learning and social experiences in school. Their dedication and efforts have been commended by many visitors to school over the term but I am very proud to call them my staff.*

*The final and most important thanks goes to our wonderful children. They amaze us daily with their excellent behaviour, thirst for learning, funny stories and cheeky smiles. We are blessed here at St. Stephen's with such kind, caring and happy children.*



*On behalf of the pupils, staff and governors of St. Stephen's, I wish you all a joyful and peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

*Mr. Hatton*

