



Newsletter



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Next Week

Next week, the teachers will be planning their projects for the Spring term, whilst their class experience an alternative curriculum.

Each year group will spend half a day at an alternative location involved in Christmas crafts. The children will walk to the location, accompanied by school staff.

They will spend the other half of the day at a media workshop in school.



This week there is a coffee morning on Wednesday starting at 9:00am, everyone is welcome! Second hand school uniform is on sale every week - if you have any to donate, the Parent Forum would be very pleased to receive it!

School Disco

The Christmas disco for Year 1 to Year 6 is straight after school on Thursday 20th December. Tickets cost £2.50, and are on sale NOW on the school website!

Y4BP Advent Act of Kindness

Mrs Puchalka's class is creating a food hamper for the homeless shelter, and would appreciate donations from other classes. If you can help, please take your donation to Mrs Puchalka's class! Thank you for your support.



St Catherine's Catholic Primary School (Hallam)

Dates for your Diary THIS WEEK ... week 14

Monday 10th December

* **Dinner Menu week 3**

* **After School Clubs**

Tuesday 11th December

* **After School Clubs**

Wednesday 12th December

* **Parent Forum coffee morning 9:00am**

* **Y6RC Advent Assembly 9:15 in school hall**

* **2:00 Piano Concert in CCC**

* **Year 2 Nativity 2:30 in school hall**

Thursday 13th December

* **After School Clubs**

* **Year 3 Victorian Christmas Market from 2:15pm**

Friday 14th December

* **Christmas Fair in school**

Family and friends from 2:45pm

* **Year 1 Buns**

CAFOD FAST

Thank you to all of the 170 children who joined us for the Cafod Fast on Tuesday!

We are still waiting for some money to come in from those children who took part, but do not normally pay for schools meals. As soon as we've collected it all, we'll let you know how much money was raised for this very worthy cause.

There is still time to make a donation if you would like to, to support CAFOD in reaching some of the most vulnerable families in the world, thank you for your support.





Christmas Carols

Last week, some of our children went to visit Pexton Grange Nursing Home, to sing to the residents. They had a lovely time, here are some photos, you can see them more clearly on the website version of the newsletter!



The group will be going to Wood Hill Grange Care Home this week to spread the joy of Christmas with their beautiful singing ☺

Thinking Thursday

Can anything be art?

Use the form attached to let us know what your family thinks!

After School Clubs, Milk, Buns and Fruit

Don't forget to sign up for after Christmas!
The deadline is Wednesday 2nd January 2019!

Dates for your Diary AUTUMN 2

----- week 15

Monday 17th December

- * **Dinner Menu week 1**
- * **Project Preparation Day for Year 1 and Year 2**
- * **After School Clubs**

Tuesday 18th December

- * **Project Preparation Day for Year 3 and Year 4**
- * **After School Clubs**

Wednesday 19th December

- * **Christmas Dinner at school**
- * **Project Preparation Day for Year 5 and Year 6**
- * **Y4IK Advent Assembly 9:15 in school hall**
- * **Reception classes Nativity**
10:30 and 2:30 in school hall

- * **Parent Forum coffee morning 9:00am**

Thursday 20th December

- * **No After School Clubs**
- * **Christmas Disco for Year 1 to Year 6**

Friday 21st December

- * **Last Day of Autumn Term**
- * **Reception Buns**

Wednesday 2nd January

- * **Deadline for ordering milk, buns and fruit**
- * **Deadline for booking after school clubs**

SPRING 1

----- week 16

Monday 7th January

- * **First Day of Spring Term**

Maths Challenge

Attached are December's Maths challenges:

- Key Stage 1 – Maths Crossword
- Key Stage 2 – Bus Routes

When you have tried them and answered them, please put them in the folders on the displays.

Well done to Joanna and Winta as the winners of the November challenge, and special mention to Abriham, Michael, Yannick, Wane, Eimaan, Khalid and Batseba for great responses!

Thanks, and enjoy the challenge! Mr Mitchell



Attendance and Punctuality

Week Ending Friday 7th December 2018

View our attendance graph at
stcatherines.academy/attendance

The highest class attendance in school last week was 100.0%, well done to Mr Hawksworth's, you'll be getting a little treat this week! ☺

Late attendance last week affected children's learning on 53 occasions, which is an average of 10.6 per day.

Overall school attendance for last week was:

97.7%

| Class | Teacher | Lates | % Attendance |
|-------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------|
| F2ES | Miss Sefton | 4 | 99.0 |
| F2AW | Mrs Wood & Mrs Atkinson | 7 | 94.4 |
| Y1LA | Miss Andrew | 4 | 98.0 |
| Y1WH | Ms Haigh & Miss Waller | 4 | 96.0 |
| Y2LD | Miss Duggleby | 6 | 98.7 |
| Y2JN | Miss Ng | 1 | 96.8 |
| Y3DH | Mr Hawksworth | 2 | 100.0 |
| Y3IF | Miss Frost | 3 | 96.7 |
| Y4BP | Mrs Puchalka | 3 | 94.8 |
| Y4IK | Miss Kirk | 4 | 97.7 |
| Y5SF | Mr Fowler | 6 | 99.3 |
| Y5ES | Miss Sweeney | 2 | 99.3 |
| Y6MT | Mrs Tipping | 5 | 99.3 |
| Y6RC | Miss Conway | 2 | 98.1 |



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**CHRISTMAS FAIR
FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER**

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| LUCKY DIP | BRIC-A-BRAC |
| PULL A CRACKER | SECOND HAND BOOKS |
| PING PONG GAME | FACE PAINTS* |
| SNOW PONG | NAIL VARNISH* |
| BALL IN A CUP | BALLOON BUDDY* |
| CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA | TUCK SHOP |
| SECOND HAND TOYS | CAKES |
| TWO SURPRISE STALLS | POPCORN |
| RAFFLE | MISS WALLER'S 50p BOOK STALL |

*consent forms will need to be signed to confirm that your child can have their face or nails painted, also we will need to know about any child allergic to balloons.

Children will visit the fair with their teacher. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will need to hand their money into class in the morning. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will use their money to pay for the activities that they choose. Each of the activities will cost 20p and thus the recommended minimum amount is £2 per child, or £2.50 if they also want to buy a book from Miss Waller's book stall. Please can you send a small bag for your child to put any bought items into.

We still need donations of second hand toys, books, bric-a-brac and raffle prizes. All donations are gratefully received. Thank you for your support!

OPEN TO PARENTS FROM 2:45 - 3:30PM
TEA & COFFEE
BRIC-A-BRAC, SECOND HAND TOYS,
BOOK STALL, SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Please return
the tear-off
slip to your
teacher!

☐

I give permission for my child to have their face painted

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I give permission for my child to have their nails painted

Name of child: _____ Class: _____

Signed by parent: _____ Name: _____

Merit Winners



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|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| F2ES | Siem | For being a thoughtful, kind and helpful friend, well done! |
| | Bana | For always following the school rules, well done! |
| F2WA | Aneilia | For being a caring friend and for making sure other children are being cared for when hurt, well done! |
| | Beau | For showing that she is engaged, listening to adults and ready to learn, well done! |
| Y1WH | Khizr | For working so hard in their writing about St Maurice, and trying to work more independently in our Advent activities, well done! |
| | Shayan | |
| Y1LA | Luwam | For always challenging herself in choosing time. Amazing choosing Luwam, well done! |
| | Ayonfe | For doing some excellent Maths work with Miss Andrew, you blew her away, well done! |
| Y2LD | Haris | For great independent work in RE this week, well done! |
| | Safiyya | For thoughtful and caring responses in RE this week, well done! |
| Y2JN | Samuel | For being conscientious and showing great care in his work, well done! |
| | Amina | For always coming to school with a huge smile on her face, and always having a positive outlook, well done! |

P4C Award

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| Key Stage 1 Kyei, Y2LD | CRITICAL – For asking questions to challenge different ideas, well done! |
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Reader of the Week

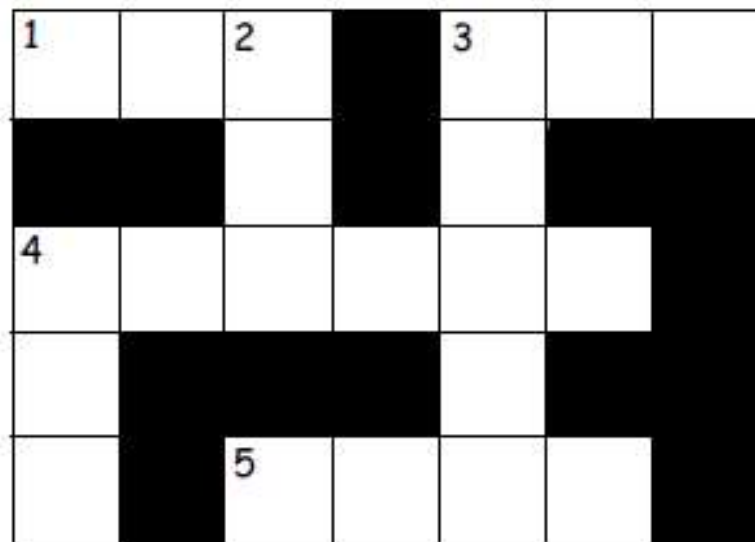
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| F2ES | Veronica | For reading lots of books at home, well done! |
| F2AW | Lilly | For reading more than one book per day with her adult, amazing, well done! |
| Y1WH | Ayesha | For reading every single day, even when she's been poorly, well done! |
| Y1LA | Eldana | For excellent RWI practice, you are fantastic at your sounds, well done! |
| Y2LD | Sanjay | For keeping up with his reading even when he was ill, well done! |
| Y2JN | Halli | For coming to the front of the class and reading a book with confidence and such great expression, and reading a story of not being afraid to be yourself, well done! |

There was no Key Stage 2 Merit this week.

Key Stage 1 Maths Challenge – December 2018

Maths Crossword

Write the answers to this puzzle in words:
ONE, TWO, THREE, ...



Across

1. $7 - 5$

3. $2 + 5 - 1$

4. $4 + 4 + 4$

5. $13 - 4$

Down

2. $3 + 4 - 6$

3. $9 - 2$

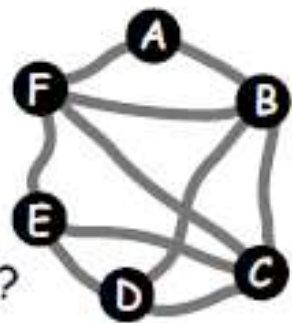
4. $11 - 4 + 3$

Key Stage 2 Maths Challenge – December 2018

Bus Routes



Six towns are connected by bus routes.
The bus goes from A back to A.
It visits each of the other towns once.
How many different bus routes are there?



This table shows the bus fare for each direct route.
B to A costs the same as A to B, and so on.

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| A to B | B to C | C to D | D to E | E to F | F to A | B to D | B to F | C to E | C to F |
| £4 | £3 | £4 | £4 | £3 | £4 | £5 | £3 | £2 | £2 |

Which round trip from A to A is the cheapest?



Dates for December

Christmas Party Day is Monday 17th pm and
Friday 21st am.

£1.00 donation towards food as soon as possible
would be greatly appreciated!

Singing The Christmas Story

Come and join us for a sing along on Wednesday
19th 11am or 2.30pm
(Children can arrive dressed as a Nativity
character)

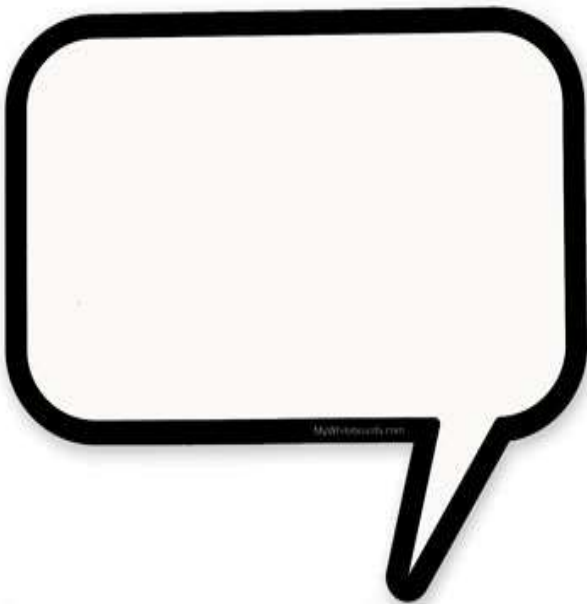
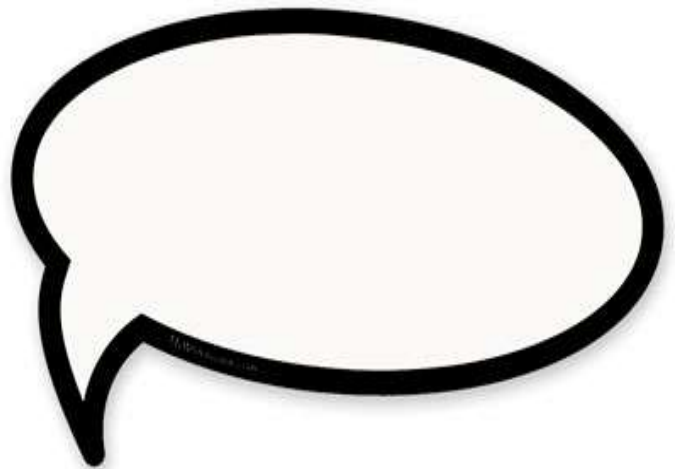
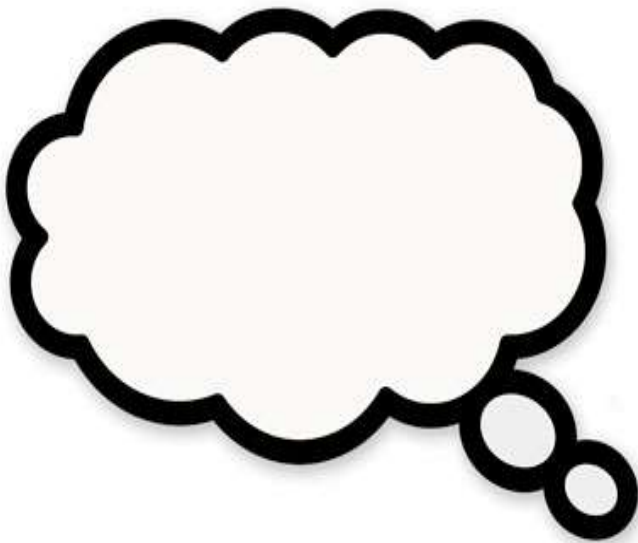
Any questions please see staff.
Many Thanks.

'Thinking Thursday'

Each week we will be sending out a question for you to discuss at home. If you would like to share what you have been talking about, you can send your response into school on this sheet or in your homework book.



Can anything be art?



Thank you for your responses so far! If you would like to put your name or Mum: Dad: or Brother: etc. to show whose thought it was that is fine.