



6th December 2019

"Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself."

Class Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week of **98.94%** is FEM, Miss Montgomery's class. Well done!



Weekly Reflection

Ethos Statement – I know simple things can make me happy.



It is hard to believe that Advent is upon us once again. Advent is a special time when we get ready for the coming of Jesus. It is very exciting when we know that someone is coming to visit us. We make sure that we are ready when they come. This week's Gospel story was telling us that we must be ready when Jesus comes again, but that we cannot be exactly sure when that will be, so we must try to be ready all the time. How can we get ready to welcome Jesus in our lives? It is not just about buying presents and putting up Christmas trees. There are other things we need to do, for example - sharing with others, being kind, helping other people. When we do these things we are truly putting our faith into action. What will you do this week to make sure you are ready when Jesus comes?

The following children have shown they know simple things can make them happy:

FCB – Chloe Davies
FCB – Jack Cringle
FEM – Harry Gibson
FEM – Grace Holsgrove

1DM – William Turner
1DM – Harriet Keane
1MH – Cora McWha
1MH – Charlie Lally

2EK – Alanna-Rose Ronald
2EK – Gino Vokes
2AD – Grace Sutton
2AD – Daniel Verlander

3HB – Nicholas Horton
3HB – Isabelle McCabe
3EJ – Taylor Murphy
3EJ – Lucas Dack-Huges

4AY – Riya Gurnell
4AY – Jamie Edwards
4CS – Emma Harvey
4CS – Noah Shevlin

5RL – Gabby Jarmay-Naylor
5RL – Anna Ruddock
5HK – Naomi Phelan
5HK – Sam Jones

6GA – Ruby Horton
6GA – Ben Walker
6KH – Ethan Wood
6KH – Sophia Young

Punctuality

Over the past few weeks, there has been a significant increase in the amount of children arriving late to school. This has a serious impact on their education and means that the office staff are taken away from their desks to escort children to classrooms, resulting in our telephones being unanswered and parents waiting at the window. Our school gates open at 8.30am each day and close promptly at 8.50am. We will be monitoring persistent lateness over the coming weeks which may result in a fine being issued.

FS1 – Our First Nativity



Parents/guardians of our Little Acorns are invited to watch their performance of "Our First Nativity" at 10am on Friday 13th December in the infant hall. Tickets will not be needed for this performance. Doors will be opened at 9.45am and access is via the PlayZone entrance.

FS2 – Stable by Starlight

FS2 will perform "Stable by Starlight" on Wednesday 11th December at 10am in the infant hall. Tickets will not be needed for this performance. Doors will be opened at 9.45am and access is via the PlayZone entrance.



Years 1 and 2 – Little Angel Gets Her Wings



Years 1 and 2 will be performing "Little Angel Gets Her Wings" on Tuesday 10th December. Tickets were sent home with the children this week – please remember to bring them with you. Doors will be opened at 9.45am and 1.45pm respectively and access is via the PlayZone entrance.

KS2 Carol Concert

Our KS2 children will be performing their Christmas Carol concert in Church on Tuesday 17th December. Performances will take place at 2pm and 6pm and children are expected to attend both. Tickets will not be needed however please be aware that the evening performance is traditionally busier than the afternoon.



Christmas Lunch – Deadline for Ordering/Payment



The deadline for ordering your child's Christmas lunch is Friday 13th December. **If your child is in FS2, Year 1 or Year 2 and you have not yet told us that your child would like Christmas lunch please do so as soon as possible.** Only children who have requested a lunch will be provided with a ticket. There will not be another choice available so packed lunch should be provided for children not taking a Christmas lunch.

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper day is on Friday 13th December (Monday 16th for our Little Acorns). This year we are not asking for a £1 donation as we will be supporting the Rudolph Run for St John's Hospice. Children are invited to come in to school wearing their Christmas Jumper along with jeans/leggings or tracksuit bottoms.

Choir, Violin and Guitar Concert

On Wednesday evening, the children in the choir and who play guitars and violins performed in our annual Christmas concert - A Merry Christmas Concert. The children were absolutely amazing and should be very proud of themselves; each one tried so hard and performed brilliantly. Thank you to all of them and all of you that came to support us. Merry Christmas.



Maths Challenge Day



Congratulations to Lorcan, Olivia, Daniel and Patryk who represented our school in a maths challenge at Heygarth School last week. They demonstrated excellent thinking skills and team spirit and came first! We are very proud of them.

Spirit of the Games

Some of our Y4/5/6 children attended the Spirit of the Games sporting event held at Edge Hill University on Tuesday. The children were faced with six different challenges, each demonstrating one of our school games values. We had a great morning and everyone gave their all, listening to instructions and doing the best they possibly could. They were a credit to our school and I was very proud of their efforts. Miss Hassan



Choir Information

Choir children will be singing at the following and require their choir shirt with school skirt or trousers:

Wednesday 18th December – Children should be at Church for 3:45pm for Mrs Small and Mrs McMahon's Mass. Alternatively, the children may remain in school where they will be given a drink and a snack and escorted across to Church. Children to be picked up from church at 4:45pm.

Thursday 19th December – The children will spend the afternoon singing for the Mondanians.

Rudolph Run



This year we are supporting the Rudolph Run for St John's Hospice. All children will take part on Monday 16th December and sponsorship forms were sent home last week. Please ensure that your child has trainers in school on this day. Thank you.

PFA Update

Thanks so much for all you did for the Fair whether it was donating, sorting, wrapping grotto gifts, setting up, working on a stall, clearing up or spending money we all pulled together and raised over £4300 with the possibility of one of our parents receiving match funding from their employer meaning that figure could rise even further. It's a staggering amount for a school to raise and will be put to good use by our school and children.



Today, Friday 6th was the closing date for the return of Elfridges the Gift Room forms and money. If life has got in the way and you haven't managed to return yours please contact us by messaging us via our facebook page "Christ the King PFA" or

by email admin@christthekingpfa.co.uk We do not want any children to be left disappointed and will do our best to accommodate.

CtK Brass Band Christmas Concert

Just a reminder about the CtK Brass Bank Concert on Wednesday 11th December in the Junior Hall at 3:30pm. There will be mince pies and Christmas cheer, Brass Band style!

STEM Kids

STEM Kids will be holding a Young Engineers after school club for years 3-6 every Thursday from 3.15-4.15pm for 6 weeks, to be held in Mrs Hunter's classroom

Dates: 09/01/2020, 16/01/2020, 23/01/2020,
30/01/2020, 06/02/2020, and 13/02/2020
Cost: £42.00 per child



Children construct a range of projects including: **Balloon Powered Cars, Vibrating Bugs, Electronic Pocket Torches, Windmills and Slime.** All projects can be taken home. You can register online at www.stemkids.co.uk.

Places are limited and are reserved on a first come first reserved basis. If the club is full please register your interest on the waiting list as we may be able to extend the number of places available. Full Terms and Conditions are on their website.

Year 1 – Library/Reading Books

Please could we ask that Y1 children return their reading/library books. Thank you.

Year 3 - Swimming

Advance notice that Year 3 will be going swimming after the Christmas break. 3HB will go each day w/c 6th January and 3EJ each day w/c 13th January. A letter will be sent out at the end of term about permitted costumes. Y4 will be going swimming in the summer term.

REPLY SLIPS

Christmas Dinner – Thursday 19th December 2019

If your child is in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 or in receipt of free school meals and you wish them to have a Christmas dinner, please complete and return this slip to the school office before Friday 13th December. Alternatively please contact the school office.

Name of Child Class

Signature of Parent Date

Dates for your Diary

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| Tuesday 10 th December | 3HB Stone Age Day |
| Tuesday 10 th December | 10am KS1 Production for Year 1 Parents 2pm KS1 Production for Year 2 Parents |
| Wednesday 11 th December | FS2 Production, 10am |
| Wednesday 11 th December | Brass Band Christmas Concert, 3.30pm, Junior Hall |
| Friday 13 th December | FS1 Production, 10am |
| Friday 13 th December | Christmas Jumper Day (not Little Acorns) |
| Friday 13 th December | Report cards home |
| Monday 16 th December | Christmas Jumper Day – Little Acorns only |
| Monday 16 th December | CtK Church Choir Concert, 7.15pm` |
| Tuesday 17 th December | KS2 Carol Concert in Church, 2pm and 6pm |
| Wednesday 18 th Decmeber | Theatre Workshop Production, am |
| Wednesday 18 th December | Christmas parties, pm |
| Wednesday 18 th December | Choir to Sing at Mrs Small/Mrs McMahon's Mass |
| Thursday 19 th December | End of Term Mass in Church, 9.30am* |
| Thursday 19 th December | Christmas Dinner |
| Thursday 19 th December | Choir to Sing for the Mondonians |
| Friday 20 th December | School Closes for Christmas, 2pm |
| Monday 6 th January 2020 | School re-opens |
| Monday 6 th January 2020 | 3HB Swimming all week |

* Parents are welcome to join us celebrate Mass in Church, however seating will be limited