

ST GILBERT'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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From all at St Gilbert's...

Have a super Christmas break! School closes at 1.30pm on Wednesday 20th December and reopens on Wednesday 3rd January 2018 at 8.45am.



Thank you

Wednesday is my last day as headteacher of St Gilbert's, as in January I will be headteacher at St Anne's in Oldham. I have had a fantastic time with a superb set of children, staff and parents. Thank you so much for all your support! I might only have been here 4 months, but I'll miss St Gilbert's. Thank you for all the happy memories that I will be taking with me.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

This week: "I know that in Advent I get ready for Jesus by taking responsibility."

Dates for the Diary:

Whole School Christmas Mass – 19 Dec @ 9:15am

All welcome!

School Closes for Christmas – 20 Dec @ 1:30pm

School Reopens – 3 Jan @ 8.45am

Roll of Honour!

Congratulations to last week's certificate winners:

Well Done Certificates	Worker of the Week
Rec: Oscar S	Rec: Annie B
Y1: Oliver P	Y1: Filip B
Y2: Scarlett R	Y2: Sophie R
Y3: Lainie P	Y3: Bilie N
Y4: Esme G	Y4: Nieve T
Y4/5H: Lily B	Y4/5H: Patryk H
Y5S: Melissa H	Y5S: Connor K
Y6: Charlie L	Y6: Ella T

Uniform Facebook Page!!

Please search on Facebook for the "St Gilbert's RC Primary School Uniform" page!

PE Kits

Please ensure that children have an outdoor PE thin jacket/hoodie as Mr Marshall, in line with good practice, hopes to get the children outside as much as possible.

Got the right jumper?

Please can you ensure that your child's name is in his/her jumper. Please can everyone check at home that the name in the clothing items that your child has brought home is correct. Inevitably, some incorrect items are taken home accidentally... please can you return them to school if you find that this is the case. There are lots of items in lost property, please come and have a look if you think something is lost. Thank you.

Parking

We had 2 near misses last week where our children could have been seriously injured. Please park further away from school and walk the short distance to the school gates. Traffic wardens have also told us that the area may be targeted this week. Please ensure that our children are SAFE when you bring your children to school by keeping your car well away from the school gates.

Christmas Jumper Day

On Wednesday 20th December this week (the last day of term), children may choose to wear a Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper/cardigan. Please note that this is NOT a non-uniform day, so we still require the rest of the school uniform to be worn, such as trousers, skirts, shoes, etc, please.

Leadership at St Gilbert's

This week I will be moving onto St Anne's in Oldham. We continue to wish Miss Tumelty well during her maternity leave. The Governors are happy to announce that from January, they have appointed Mr Dominic Mulcahy to take over the headteacher role. He is an experienced and successful headteacher who will maintain the strength of leadership that St Gilbert's needs, so that we can continue to provide the very best for your children until we welcome back Miss Tumelty. After Christmas our deputy headteacher Mrs Neville will be returning from her own maternity leave. Alongside her, Mrs Stevens, who I am sure you will all agree has done a sterling job, will also continue as Acting Deputy Headteacher up until Easter. Mrs Killeen will also be stepping up her management role for part of the week, as will Mrs Boslem. I have thoroughly enjoyed my brief time at St Gilbert's: The children, parents, staff and governors have been a joy to work with... My time here seems to be flying by as I now have under 3 days left! I will be very sad to leave as I have been welcomed right from day one. I feel that the school is in very safe hands in January.