

# ST GILBERT'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017

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## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

This week: "I try to use words that make the world a better place (Please, sorry, thank you)."

### Dates for the Diary:

Panto in Oldham for Y1-Y6 – 28 Nov

Entertainer in school for Nursery/Reception – 28 Nov

St Andrew's Day Service – 30 Nov

Christmas Cinema (Y3-Y6) – 7 Dec, 3.30pm-6.30pm

School Council Non\_Uniform Day – Suggested donation of £1 per family.

Y1/2 Christmas performance – 11 Dec @ 9.30am

Nursery Christmas Performance – 12 Dec @ 9.15am

Parish Christmas Dinner – 12 Dec (Tickets available from Church)

Key Stage 2 (Y3/4/5/6) Candlelight Service

(at Holy Cross Church) – 12 Dec @ 6:00pm\*\*

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR SERVICE\*\***

Reception Christmas Perf – 13 Dec @ 9:15am

Key Stage 1 Lunch and Party – 14 Dec

Key Stage 2 Lunch and Party – 15 Dec

Christmas Café – 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

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

Reading/Writing/Maths Star Assembly and

Christmas singalong – 20 Dec @ 9:15am

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

School Reopens – 3 Jan @ 8.45am

### Roll of Honour!

Congratulations to last week's certificate winners:

<b>Well Done Certificates</b>	<b>Worker of the Week</b>
Rec: Natalia W	Rec: Frankie L
Y1: Oliver P	Y1: Sophia S
Y2: Scarlett R	Y2: Zak T
Y3: Katelyn T	Y3: Zak C
Y4: Maizie L	Y4: Tymoteusz L
Y4/5H: Mason H	Y4/5H: Naveah C
Y5S: Joshua F	Y5S: Jacob A
Y6: Jade D	Y6: Ryan G

### e-Safety

There will be a session on how you, as parents, can help to keep children safe at home when they are on the internet, from Salford LA. This session will be held in school on 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 9.00am. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Parent Governor Election

Please see the letter that is coming home tonight.

### Leadership at St Gilbert's

I am 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 6 weeks 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.

### 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.

### Uniform Facebook Page!!

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

### Arriving and Leaving School

For insurance purposes, children must not arrive at school before 8.45am if an adult does not supervise them. All children should enter the school building as soon as possible after the 8.45am bell. Children who arrive after 8.55am will be marked late & should use the main entrance.

If your child walks home on their own they are encouraged to leave the school grounds and head home straight away. Please discuss with your child the time you expect them to arrive home.

### SATs 2017 / Phonics Tests

Year 6 SATs exams are below, and Year 2 SATs are carried out throughout the month of May.

May 2018: w/c 14<sup>th</sup> May

May 2019: w/c 13<sup>th</sup> May

Children in Year 1 must sit a National Phonics Test at the end of the school year...

June 2018: w/c 11<sup>th</sup> June

June 2019: w/c 10<sup>th</sup> June

Please avoid any absences during any of the above dates.

### Funds

As you know, we have 3 funds for the school to improve the provision for the children. Apologies that we have to ask for it, but every penny goes towards the children's learning. **Thank you so much for your donations and your support:**

Nursery Reception Fund – Weekly, £1.00 (Please send in a separate envelope)

School Fund KS1/KS2 – Annually, £20.00 (Payable this half term)

Building Fund – Annually, £20.00 (Payable in January)

### Internet Safety at Home

Most broadband providers operate a 'firewall' that you can switch on for your home broadband, that tries to stop all inappropriate material being displayed on any laptop, tablet, phone or device that connects to your home's wifi. For more details, contact your provider, Eg:

BT: 0800 100 400

Sky: 0800 151 2747

Plus Net: 0800 432 0080

Talk Talk: 0345 454 1111

EE: 0800 079 5119

Tesco: 0345 30 400 30