

ST GILBERT'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: Monday 4th December 2017

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

This week: "I know that in Advent, I get ready for Christmas by ensuring we all can live life to the full."

Dates for the Diary:

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

School Council Non-Uniform Day: Suggested donation of £1 per family – Friday 8th Dec

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 – 18th 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:

Well Done Certificates	Worker of the Week
Rec: Phoebe C	Rec: Reece F
Y1: Jaiden H	Y1: Lucca F
Y2: Freya L	Y2: Emma W
Y3: Max T	Y3: Nathan B
Y4: Lewis L	Y4: Michelle O
Y4/5H: Tyler Mc	Y4/5H: Phoebe M
Y5S: Olivia S	Y5S: Phoebe P
Y6: Finlay R	Y6: Erin W

NON-UNIFORM DAY

The children on the School Council represent the children in the leadership of the school. As a result, they have decided to hold a non-uniform day this Friday (8th December). All funds raised will be spent by the children of the School Council on equipment for playtimes. Mr Graves will stay out of this one – it's completely up to the children what they buy!! They will canvas the children first and make a decision based on what the rest of the children would like. Thank you in anticipation of your support: The suggested donation is £1 per family.

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.

Homework

After engaging with the Parent Forum's views on the old homework books that were suspended until Christmas, it would appear that there is a lot of support for NOT using these books at the moment. Therefore, the books will not be used until further notice, and homework will continue to be set in a manner driven by what the children have been covering in class.

Parish Challenge

Fr Martin came in on Friday 1st December to talk to us about the Advent Parish Challenge – that we can raise enough money before Christmas to give a Third World village running water. The children said they're up for the challenge!! We're looking to help the parish raise £750 in the next few weeks! Please help! Please can you put any donations in an envelope marked "Parish Challenge" and we will pass the money onto Fr Martin. I wonder if we can raise more than Holy Cross School...? ☺

Admissions Policy 2019-20 Consultation

As part of the consultation, please go to www.salford.gov.uk/admissionsconsultation where you will see our proposed admissions policy for 2019-20.

Uniform Facebook Page!!

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

School Prayers

Dear God,

Please help us to remember people that are special to us that have passed away and now live happily in Heaven. Let their families and friends have happy memories of them. Amen.

Sonny, Y5.

Dear God,

Please help us remember those who are special to us that have passed away. They have done well for us and are full of love and kindness. We remember the families who have lost someone special to them and pray they live with happy memories. Let light and grace shine upon our people as they lie in hope. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Josh Y5.

Parent Governor Election

More news soon.

St. Gilbert's RC Primary School Parent Forum

The Parent Forum was set up to ensure that parent voice is heard in decision-making and in shaping the future of the school. It supports the work of the school and aids in future improvements. The aim is to improve communication and receive parents' views on different aspects of school life. At meetings there is a member of the school Senior Management Team, a parent representative from each class from Nursery to Year 6 and a Parent Governor. The Parent Forum meets once a term (usually on a Thursday at 5.00 p.m.). The minutes from all meetings are available to view on the school website. Currently there is a vacancy for a Year 4 parent representative. Please let the office know if you are interested.