



All Souls' School Newsletter

"Christ is our Light"

w/e 18th December 2015

Christmas Eve Mass

We are encouraging our children and families to attend the Family Christmas Mass at **4.30pm, Thurs 24th Dec.** As our school is very involved in this mass, we need as many children as possible to attend. We would love children to arrive dressed simply as Shepherds (tea towel headdress) or angels (tinsel crown) or any other nativity character.

Y6 Parents

A meeting has been arranged for parents of Y6 children wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation later in the year. The meeting is in the Parish Room **6pm Wednesday 13th January.** Children should have taken a letter home today, can we ask parents to return the reply slip to school after the Christmas break.

Whole School Mass

Please join us in the celebration of our first whole school Mass of 2016, **9.15am Tuesday 5th January.**

Y3 Sacramental Meeting

The next Sacramental Meeting for Y3 children and their parents is **6pm Monday 11th January** in the Parish Room.

Happy Christmas

On behalf of the staff may I wish all our parents, grandparents and families a very happy and peaceful Christmas. Thank you for your continuous support throughout a very busy and successful term. We wish you the very best for the New Year and look forward to seeing you all in 2016.

Well Done Children!

Very well done to all those children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1, for their marvellous Nativity productions earlier this week. I think all those who were fortunate enough to attend would agree both performances were of a very high standard and a joy to watch.

Thank you to KS1 children for taking the time to visit the Luncheon Club at Hearsall Baptist Church and singing so beautifully for them.

Well done also to the choir for performing so well at various venues during the last couple of weeks. Many different people have thoroughly enjoyed listening to the wonderful sound you make.

There have been several trips lately, FS and KS1 to the Belgrade and Y4 to the Birmingham Rep (on the train during rush hour!) We have to mention what a joy it is to take our children out of school, their behaviour and participation are always exemplary and they make us very proud!

Thank you also to the PTA for all their hard work, not only raising essential funds for the school but their general support throughout the term. It is very much appreciated by children and staff.

On a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole staff team for their ongoing tremendous hard work and commitment to our children, families and school.

School Closed

The school closes today for the Christmas break and reopens **8.45am Monday 4th January.**

Christmas Dinner

Children enjoyed their Christmas dinner earlier this week and also being 'waited upon' by staff (hope they don't expect it in the New Year). You can see photos on the website. Thank you to Mrs Brennan, Charlotte and Elizabeth for working so hard to keep us fed, not only at Christmas but throughout the year.

Sports Results

Netball – congratulations are in order once again as the netball team won their match against St Gregorys 8 - 2.

Past Pupil Success

Congratulations to past pupils, Josh Hinton & Robyn Hillyer, now Y10 pupils at Bishop Ullathorne School. Both received an award at the annual school ceremony for their 'outstanding contribution to school'. We are very proud of both pupils!

Y3 Roman Reports

Miss Ryan and Ms Croarken want everyone to know how impressed they were with the children's Roman Report topics. They were so pleased with the standard and could see that clearly a lot of hard work had gone into them. They also had a great 'Roman Day' and thanks to parents for all their support.

Y4 Swimming

Just a reminder, Y4 start their swimming lessons at the Xcel Centre Tues 5th January.

School Clubs

School Clubs will resume w/b **Mon 11th January**. A letter informing parents of the available clubs will be sent home **Mon 4th January**.

Night Shelters

Churches of Coventry are holding nightly winter shelters for the homeless, until 31st March. They carry out great work feeding the homeless and last year found housing for a number of people. If anyone would like to donate supplies such as packets of soup (not tinned), tea, coffee or biscuits, please bring items into school after Christmas and we will pass them on.

PTA Notices

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who helped make our Bazaar such a success. Together we have raised just over £2000, money which will all be reinvested in our school! Thank you to everyone who contributed in whatever way - we keep saying it, but we really can't do it without the help and support from our families, staff and local businesses. Thank you all!

Christmas Gifts

All the Christmas gifts purchased by the children last month were distributed last week. We hope you are happy with their choices! Thank you to everyone who took part in this fundraising event and we wish you all a wonderful Christmas!

Use EasyFundraising for your last minute Christmas shopping! Please sign up!

We have now raised over £300 - thank you to everyone who has signed up! There are only 36 of us doing it -just think what we could achieve if a few more people signed up! Anyone can do it, family, friends and businesses are very welcome too! Full details are on the school website, but it only takes a couple of minutes to set up and if you activate the donation reminder, you just need one click before you start shopping! It's as easy as that! It works on online grocery shopping, insurance deals & holidays too and doesn't cost you a penny

more! <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/allsoulspsc>

Attendance

Year group attendance for the week beginning 14th December 2015

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.10%	94%	99.33%	97.37%	96.33%	94.64%	100%

Whole school attendance: 96.99%

Overall school attendance since Sep 2015: 96.57%

