



# St Michael's RC Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018

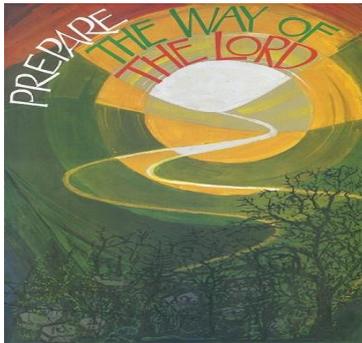
Dear Parents,

### Shared Class Mass

Thank you to all the children from Y1, 2 and 5 who joined the parishioners and members of the school family today in Church for Mass. The children were very reverent and prayerful, showing exemplary behaviour throughout the service.

### Year 6 Class Assembly

Thank you to all our Year 6 children for sharing the important message of Advent. It was lovely to see and welcome so many family members for the first Class Assembly of this academic year. We have all been reminded about the importance of getting ready for Jesus' birth.



As Advent approaches this weekend we focus on the **hope** and **gift** of **Jesus** as the light of the world coming to transform us, so that we can transform our families, our school and our world.

*On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, the Mini Vinnies will lead prayers in Church. The focus will be on the true meaning of Christmas. Next week we will share the times for classes as parents will be welcomed to join the children in prayer.*

## NEWS

### Diary dates

#### **After-school Sport**

3/9 - 21/12:

**Tu** Y5/6 Football

**Th** Y3/4 Multi skills

#### **December 2018**

**We** 5<sup>th</sup> Pantomime

**Th** 6<sup>th</sup> Spelling workshop

**Fr** 7<sup>th</sup> Dress in Purple (Advent colour)  
for £1 day

**We** 12<sup>th</sup> EYFS Performance AM

**Th** 13<sup>th</sup> KS1 Performance PM

**Fr** 14<sup>th</sup> PTA Christmas disco

**Mo** 17<sup>th</sup> KS2 Christmas story 2:15pm

**Tu** 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas meal in Christmas  
Jumpers

**We** 19<sup>th</sup> Mini Vinnies prayers in  
Church

**Th** 20<sup>th</sup> Party afternoon

#### **Advent Exposition in Church**

5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm

#### **Pupil of the week – Well done!**

R: Charlie H for fantastic singing

Y1: Zara O for always being ready to  
learn

Y2: Malachy F for being a super role  
model

Y3: Kaelo M for being so enthusiastic

Y4: Amber H for creating an amazing  
Roman mosaic

Y5: Daniel M for working well in all  
lessons

Y6: Danika J for excellent maths

#### **Lunchtime Superstars**

N: Logan L

R: PJ M

Y1: Rocco D

Y2: Tilly A

Y3: Michelle U

Y4: Olivia K

Y5: Georgia S

Y6: Joseph K

### **St Michael's Church - Exposition during Advent**

Exposition will be taking place in St Michael's Church this Advent. It will be held over the following 3 Wednesdays of Advent, 5th, 12th, and 19th of December.

There are two time slots, run by parishioners.

1) 3.15 pm till 4.15 pm. This is primarily for the parents, pupils and staff of the school but it is open to anyone

2) 5.00 pm till 6.00 pm. This is for everyone.

The parishioners of St Michael's look forward to seeing as many children attending, with their families, to join in quiet prayer and reflection.

### **Make a world of difference this Advent**

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December we will be having a 'dress in purple for £1' day to raise money for CAFOD to understand the joy of giving this Advent. With the money raised we will buy a gift that will help transform the lives of the poorest communities in the world. Please do not go to the expense of buying purple clothing, own clothes with a purple accessory is fine.

### **Applications to Reception. – Children born 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015**

Applications for Reception places in September 2019 are to be made "on line" by going to [www.bury.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.bury.gov.uk/admissions). The deadline for applications is 15th January 2019. If you are unable to complete your form on line, then please call into the office and Mrs New will print out a paper copy of the form. Please read the St. Michael's Admission Policy before completing (please see the school website). Any applications received after 15th January 2019 will be seen as a "late application" and will be dealt with after all the other applications.

### **PTA Christmas Disco – 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

The PTA are hosting the Christmas disco in St Michael's Parish Hall from 7pm on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets for the disco are selling out quickly, however there are still some available. Please drop into the school office to purchase your ticket. Thank you.

### **Mini Vinnies**

The Mini-Vinnies have received **106** tins so far! Thank you to all those who have contributed and kindly added to the collection. This is wonderful! Any more donations would be gratefully received.

### **Usbourne Book Fair**

Thank you to all those children and families who came to either view or purchase books from the Book Fair this week. We will be purchasing new books for school focusing around the wider curriculum to help enhance and build on our children's love of reading.

### **KS2 Spelling Parent Workshop**

The next workshop we are offering is:

(30mins) – 9.00am Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

2.45pm Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

## EYFS Resources

Reception and Nursery staff are working hard to develop the outside learning space for the children. They would be very grateful if any of the following items that are in good condition could be donated to the unit, they include, plastic jugs or funnels, wooden spoons and brown plastic plant pots. If you have any of these items please send them in via the school office. Thank you in advance for your support.

## Water bottles in School

Please can we remind all children to bring in water bottles to school. Even though the weather is much colder the children still need to keep hydrated.

## PE Kits

A reminder that children need to make sure that they have their P.E and Games kit in school on the allocated days.

## Parking

Please be extremely considerate to the families and neighbours who live by our school. A number of neighbours are very concerned at the inconsiderate and sometimes dangerous parking displayed by some of our parents. If you park on Ogden Close please do not block drives or block other parked cars that belong to the residents. Alternatively, park in the parish centre car park and walk round to the entrance of school, it will only take a couple of extra minutes. We want to ensure the community who live close by have a good image of the school. The school's staff car park should not be used by parents picking up or dropping off. We take deliveries at all times of the day. Please support the school in this matter. Thank you.

## Healthy Packed Lunches

Please can we encourage all of our children on packed lunches to have a healthy range of food. It is really important to ensure we look after the health and well-being of all our children in school.

## PARENT HUB REMINDER

If you have not already please sign up to the Parent Hub app it is free to do so and it is a vital tool to keep up to date with things happening in school as well as publishing our weekly newsletter. Please call in to the school office for the app details.

We wish you and your families a peaceful weekend, staying hopeful, as Advent commences.

Mrs Bowes