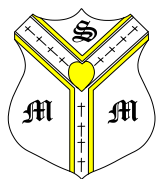


# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 7th December 2018

## Nursery Visit to Acorn Farm And Father Christmas

All our nursery children visited Acorn Farm on Monday and Tuesday this week. They saw lots of different animals including sheep, goats, pigs, hens and ducks. They even got to meet a very special visitor to Acorn Farm; Father Christmas. Father Christmas was very impressed with the behaviour of all the children and their lovely manners.

Well done everyone.

Thank you to Mrs Kerr, the nursery staff and all the volunteers.



## Sharing our Faith Second Sunday of Advent

On Sunday, we will hear about how John the Baptist prepared people for the coming of Jesus by baptising them. His message was for everyone who would listen.

When you are preparing for Christmas this week, why not think about all the other people around the world who are also getting ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Maybe you could say a prayer for them this week.

### A Prayer to Share

Generous God, as we prepare for the coming of your Son Jesus, help us to remember all our brothers and sisters in our global family and to share your love with them. Amen.



## Year 1 visit to the Pantomime

On Monday, all our Year 1 children went to watch the pantomime of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

The children had a great time; booing the baddies and cheering for the heroes.

A great time was had by all. The children were, as always, very well behaved.

Thank you to Mr Barr, Year 1 staff and volunteers.

## ADMISSIONS CONSULTATION

The Archdiocese is proposing a change for Admissions Policy 2020.

Information about the proposed changes and how to take part in the consultation can be found on our school website.

<http://www.stmargaretmarysinfant.com/information/admissions>

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This does not effect Admissions for Reception in 2019.

The closing date for Admissions into Reception for 2019 is 15th January 2019.

### School Attendance Matters This week's Attendance

Class 1	96.7%	Class 7	96%
Class 2	100%	Class 8	97.3%
Class 3	96%	Class 9	97%
Class 4	96.3%	Class 10	94%
Class 5	97.7%	Class 11	97.3%
Class 6	98.3%	Class 12	99.3%

**Our target for attendance is 96%.**  
 Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 12  
 Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 6  
 Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 2

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 11th December	Year 2 Christmas Crafts (Places are limited, booking is essential)
<b>Wednesday 12th December</b>	<b>NURSERY 1 NATIVITY Morning nursery 10.00a.m. Afternoon nursery 2.15p.m.</b>
Thursday 13th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Thursday 13th December	Christmas Grotto with Father Christmas
<b>Friday 14th December</b>	<b>RECEPTION ADVENT SERVICE AT 2.15PM ALL WELCOME</b>
Friday 14th December	Year 2 Christmas Disco
<b>Tuesday 18th December</b>	<b>YEAR 2 ADVENT SERVICE AT 2.15PM ALL WELCOME</b>
Wednesday 19th December	Christmas Grotto with Father Christmas
Friday 21st December	Year 1 and Year 2 party day
<b>Friday 21st December</b>	<b>FINISH FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 2pm</b>

### CHRISTMAS BINGO

Thank you to everyone who came to our annual Christmas Bingo. A great night was had by all.

The money raised will go to developing Jamie-Leigh's Garden into a prayer garden for all the children to use.

We raised over £400.



### DODGE BALL

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr McManus and our Year 2 Dodgeball team.

The children took part in a local tournament and came a magnificent third.

Well done. The children were wonderful throughout and demonstrated a good team spirit and positive attitude.