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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates and stickers this week for "Great Maths Work"

Nursery - Tomas F and Samuel T-H

Reception - Oliver A and Ophelia F

Year 1 - Archie C and Logan O

Year 2 - Elisa S and Poppy M

Year 3 - Kitty C and Joseph B

Year 4 - Jemima B-V and Callan A

Year 5 - Alex S and Riley W

Year 6 - Emily J and James G

Pupil Chaplains

This week the pupil chaplains have prepared a service called "Bring a prayer to the crib". They are leading prayer and worship for each class in front of the crib and Christmas tree in the hall.

School Council

The Year 6 school council have prepared a power point to share with the school at assembly which gives the children ideas for the anti-bullying poster. All the members of the school council will be voting for the most effective poster.

Eco-council

The Eco-council are working very hard to collect and recycle plastic around school, along with paper and clothing. They are currently designing posters to encourage others to recycle.

HSA Donations

Thursday 13th December - Donations of Mince Pies, Cakes and Biscuits (non-uniform)

EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity – Friday 14th December

On the morning of the nativities please feel free to go and sit in the hall to wait as soon as you have brought your child to school. This is a non ticketed event and we request please allow no more than 2 persons (per child) to come along and watch for health and safety reasons. Please try and allow enough time to watch both plays as it can be disrupting to the children if you leave immediately after the EYFS Nativity Play. Programmes will be available for a small donation.

Emmeline Pankhurst March

Our Year 4 children have been invited to attend the unveiling of a statue created to commemorate the 100th anniversary of women obtaining the right to vote and in particular the part Emmeline Pankhurst played. They will attend a march in Manchester and join other schools on this most memorable occasion.

Football

I am receiving complaints regarding football being played in the playground at the end of the school day. Please could you supervise your child so that the younger children and parents with prams can get safely out of school.

Parking

Thank you to everyone who is parking safely away from school. We have purchased banners as a reminder and the local PCSOs have advised that they will complete spot checks to ensure that no-one is parking in the restricted areas.

January Intake - Nursery 2019

If your child is 3 before the end of January 2019 then he/she is entitled to 15 hours education in our Nursery setting. Please contact Mrs Hirst, School Business Manager, if you are interested in admitting your child in the January intake and have not already received an offer letter from school.

Diary Dates

As we are entering a very busy time of the year please take note of the diary dates below so that you will not miss any important events. **More details about each event will be sent in a separate letter nearer to each date.**

Tuesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinner (open to Rec to Year 6 Children)
Wednesday 12 th December	Urban Street Dance Competition (Year 5&6) Copley Recreation Centre 1pm-4pm
Thursday 13 th December	EYFS and KS1 dress rehearsal (for school only)
Thursday 13 th December	HSA School Christmas Fair 3.15pm-5.15pm
Friday 14 th December	EYFS Nativity - 9.30am Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity - 10.30am
Monday 17 th December	Mass in Church 10am (<u>Please Note - Date Change</u>)
Tuesday 18 th December	Wear a Christmas Jumper Day for a £1 donation for Save the Children
Tuesday 18 th December	KS2 Carol Concert in St Joseph's Church - 6.30pm
Tuesday 18 th December	Nursery Xmas Activities with Parents - 11-12 Noon *Parents to enter through the Nursery Door Entrance
Tuesday 18 th December	Reception to Year 6 Xmas Activities with Parents - 2.15pm - 3.15pm *Parents to enter through the Main Pupil (red door) Entrance
Wednesday 19 th December	Assembly (Certificates for 97% + Attendance) Reception and KS1 - 9am and KS2 - 9.30am
Wednesday 19 th December	Dick Whittington Pantomime for Whole School (Afternoon)
Thursday 20 th December	All Class Christmas Parties - Children to come to school in party clothes and bring a small food donation
Thursday 20 th December	School Closes (<u>at 2pm</u>)
Monday 7 th January	School Re-Opens

Please note that the Xmas Activity Sessions with the parents on Tuesday 18th December are not drop in sessions. If you would like to attend please ensure you have arrived at the relevant entrances within good time (at least 5-10 minutes prior to event start times).

Many thanks for your continued support.

Regards

Mrs Irene Williams, Head Teacher