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**HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE
BOARD**

Trip to Alhambra, Aladdin Pantomime, Friday 4th January 2019

Some parents have expressed concerns about the pupils in KS2 walking to the Alhambra theatre on 4th January. There were offers of parents driving groups of pupils down to the theatre but because of Safeguarding that is not an option.

I have listened and I am happy to organise coaches for all children. The coach have been very accommodating and offered us a very good rate. Parents will need to come into the main entrance to collect their child/children from the main hall. Times will be confirmed nearer the day but the performance is approximately two and a half hours, starting at 2pm and we will have to allow for traffic so collection from school will be between 4.30pm- and 5.00pm.

The cost is now an additional £2 per child. All contributions from families will be gratefully received.

My reasons for organising the event was a festive treat, Pantomimes only occur at this time of year and the Alhambra is a wonderful building in our city.

Winter

Severe Weather, such as ice and snow can cause increasing traffic congestion and delays. Please allow sufficient time to travel to school, especially if you use Ingleby Road where there are major roadworks. If the school has to close due to snow, you will receive a text message notifying you of the closure or you can look at Bradford Schools Online, 'school closures'.

Late Arrivals

Please help your child by getting to school for 8.45am this means that they are here in time and ready for learning!
Thank you for your support.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

The preparation classes continue, this Sunday, 2nd December at St. William's parish hall at 9.15am. **Attendance at this and every class is essential** for your child to be ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Dates for your diary:

Dates	Events
Sunday, 2 nd Dec	Confirmation Class at St. William's Parish Hall at 9.15am.
Every Friday 2.45pm	Achievement Assembly in Hall.
Monday 3rd December	Bring a bauble for the Christmas tree
Tuesday, 4th December	Y1 & Y2 Tropical World Visit Y3 French Christmas in class
Wednesday, 5 th Dec	Drugs Awareness 9.30-10.30 y3/4 10.30-11.30 y5/6

Christmas Events

3rd December Bring a bauble for the Christmas tree (if you want the bauble back please label with your child's name and class).

12th Dec KS1 & Reception Nativity 'Hey Ewe' 2pm in hall.

13th Dec Christmas Lunch Day (wear a Christmas Jumper)

14th Dec KS2 Christmas Story Liturgy Carols and Readings 2pm in hall.

18th Dec Achievement Assembly 2.45pm in hall.

19th Dec NON UNIFORM DAY

9.15 am 'Festive Sing- Song' in hall, everyone welcome!

100% Attendance Raffle Draw for the £50 supermarket vouchers during the Sing - Song. Tea, Coffee and mince pies served after in the dining hall.

Christmas parties in the afternoon. School closes at 3.15pm.

Parents can attend the dress rehearsals of the performances (on the morning of the 12th & 14th). We are avoiding bring children back to school in the evening, in the middle of Winter, to prevent the risk of infections and illnesses.

Congratulations to the children who led the readings and prayers for our Blessing of the Advent Wreaths Liturgy yesterday: **Zac, Wiktorja, Hannah, Connor, Laraib & Emerode**. They read clearly and confidently, well done!

Year 5/6 Class Mass next Thursday, 6th December at 10am

The pupils will lead the readings at one of the weekday Masses next week. All welcome.

ATTENDANCE

Parents and carers have a legal duty to ensure that their children of compulsory school age receive a suitable full-time education. It is also vital that they encourage their child's regular and punctual attendance at school. Parents should work in partnership with the school, notifying the school of the reason for any of their child's absences. Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning. All adults who work in school have a specific duty of care and a safeguarding responsibility. Therefore, we MUST locate children who are absent from school. **Home visits** are made if there is no contact from parents, as a measure to ensure that children are safe. **Schools must notify the police if they cannot verify where a child is.**

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts! Be on time!

This week's Trophy Winners!



Class	%	No. Of Lates Per Class	Time Lost Through Lateness
Reception	86.3	0	0
Y1	95.0	4	1hr 30mins
Y2	96.5	5	55mins
Y3	97.6	7	1hr 43mins
Y4	94.7	4	50mins
Y5	97.36	3	55 mins
Y6	94.5	8	55 mins
Overall school %	94.6		

If your child achieves **100% attendance** your family will be entered into a prize draw to win a **£50 voucher!** If you have more than one child with 100% then you will receive two or more chances of winning the prize! **Parent/Carer Volunteers**

Can you spare some time to come into school regularly to help our children in any way? You might be able to work in the classroom, helping children with their learning, especially reading. You might have a particular skill you want to share as part of a club, such as cooking, gardening or specific crafts e.g. sewing. If you can in help in any way please contact the office to arrange a time you can meet with me (Miss Parker) to discuss your offer of help.

Thank you.

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Golden Table Winners

This week these pupils have demonstrated outstanding behaviour during lunchtimes.

Elise, Hashim, Bastian, Jacqueline, Hawwa, Arvin, Laura

On Monday they will be on the Golden V.I.P. Table and will receive a prize for their exemplary behaviour.

What wonderful role models you are, for all our pupils! Also, Y4 Prefect Awards to: **Bethany, Austeja, Aaminah, Daniela, Pavol, Miguel, Oliwia, Gabi, Sehrish, Wiki, Eurika, Funmilayo**



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners:

Mia, Nicola, Suzanna, Aronas, Ilyah, Lena, Tiana, Sofia, Jakub, Krystians, Samuel, Immanuel, Zac, Connor



The season of Advent begins 1st/2nd Dec.

Prepare, for you do not know the hour, the Lord is coming!

This is a very special time in the Catholic Church's Calendar; a time of preparation for Christians, to get their hearts and minds ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus and to look forward to the second coming of Jesus, when He will come again to earth. At this time, we 'get ready' by doing something 'extra' to please God such as praying or completing acts of kindness and we try to showing contrition (sorrow) for the times we have not lived as closely to Jesus' way and His teachings.

The children have worked really hard to produce some excellent display work in the hall for us all to reflect on as we draw closer to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Please feel free to come into the hall to read their very impressive written work and admire their outstanding art work. A huge thank you to all the staff for their contribution to support the children in this work.

