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'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'

### Ethos statement for next week: "I co-operate with others in work and play."

1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents,

Tomorrow the Church celebrates the great Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which occurs 40 days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas. Our Year 4 children reminded us, so thoughtfully, of this wonderful feast and the traditions associated with it.



The children in 4GB explained how candles are blessed on this day, that it is seen as the start of Spring. However they did warn us that if Candlemas day is bright winter will be back. The children movingly acted out the story of Anna and Simeon recognising the baby Jesus, as the Saviour of the World. They reminded us of the importance of



patience, one of our school virtues, and with their fabulous reading, acting and singing warmed all our hearts on this very cold morning! Well done to the children and to Mrs Billington and Mrs Doulou for preparing them so well.

On this great Feast Day, let us remember that we are the Light of Christ in this world and to shine brightly.

**Leeds Youth Summit** – On Tuesday of this week members of our Student Council from Years 3,4 & 5 took part in the Youth Council Summit at Leeds Civic Hall. They learnt about democracy and how the council works. The children met the Lord Mayor and held a meeting with him in the Council chambers. The children discussed with other schools the opportunities available for youth in Leeds and what they would like to see.

**3GG Enrolment Mass** – All children in 3GG who wish to be enrolled for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation must attend the 9.30am Mass at IHOM Church on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. The children will be sitting with their families and do not need to wear school uniform. During the Mass you will be asked as a family to stand and confirm your commitment to this preparation. Preparation for First Confession is during the normal school day.

**February Half Term** – Incredibly there are only 2 weeks left of this half term. School will finish at the normal time on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February and After School Club will run as usual. Please remember that Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February is an inset day so children will return to school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

**Safer Internet Day** - Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day 2019. Throughout the day, pupils will be learning about online safety and considering ways that they can make the internet a safe, positive and respectful place. Keeping

children safe online is a high priority in school and we would encourage all parents to make it a high priority outside school as well. Please consider the devices, apps, websites, programmes, videos and games your children have access to and the age limits for these. Please check their privacy settings as if they are not correct your child can be contacted by strangers and sent inappropriate images. As adults we need to be vigilant and not assume that every day apps are suitable for our children. If you need any advice about privacy settings, parental controls or anything else related to online safety, don't hesitate to get in touch and speak to Mr Wilkinson or Mr McLaughlin.

**Children's Mental Health Week is also next week** - IHOM is pleased to be supporting Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year is 'Healthy: Inside and Out'. The children will learn about this in Monday's assembly. Find more information at [www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk](http://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

**IHOMSA 100 Club** – If you signed up to the 100 Club you should have received an email. Please complete your standing order and reply to the email as soon as possible.

**Sports News 1** – The Year 6 boys took part in their first league match of the new year. Unfortunately they lost 3-2 even though they dominated possession and had a number of opportunities. Fantastic effort and fingers crossed for a win next time.

**Sports News 2** – Sam and Zack from Year 6 were asked to attend trials for Leeds United based on their performances in the EFL Cup. On the Leeds United Twitter page there is a film about the EFL Cup which features our players. Well done boys!

**Shadwell Cricket Club** – If you would like details of The All Stars Junior Programme for ages 5-8 (summer start) or the Indoor Junior (9+) & senior training (March start) please email [enquiries@shadwellcc.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@shadwellcc.org.uk)

**Language Learners French Classes** - Would you like your child to gain enthusiasm, have fun and excel in languages? Our classes have been established at Immaculate Heart Primary School for many years. French classes take place each week on a Thursday lunchtime for Year 2 pupils. Our classes are small and interactive; we make learning languages lots of fun! We follow the Award Winning La Jolie Ronde structured programme. We also hold Spanish classes for all ages @ David Lloyd Moortown. For further information please contact Zoë @ Language Learners on 0113 250 0809/07946 577 545 [hello@languagelearners.co.uk](mailto:hello@languagelearners.co.uk). [www.languagelearners.co.uk](http://www.languagelearners.co.uk) [www.lajolieronde.co.uk](http://www.lajolieronde.co.uk)

**St Patrick's Night Ceilidh** – On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7-11pm there will be a ceilidh at the Queen's Hall. Tickets are available from the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9.45am-12.30pm or email [parishhalls@gmail.com](mailto:parishhalls@gmail.com) or phone 07516 705 428. Tickets cost £10 per family, £5 per adult and includes Irish Stew!

**St Patrick's Day Parade** – The parade will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March in Leeds City Centre and we will be having a float again. Please put the date in your diaries!

**Recommended Reading** – This week's recommendations are:

Year R – Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

Year 1 – The Gigantic Turnip by Aleksei Tolstoy

Year 2 – The Snow Lady by Shirley Hughes

Year 3 – The BFG by Roald Dahl

Year 4 – Brother Eagle, Sister Sky by Susan Jeffers & Chief Seattle

Year 5 – Aquila by Andrew Norris

Year 6 – Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman

### EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow

**Can we reach our whole school target of 98%? If we reach 98% our attendance will be Outstanding.**

**Attendance** – Well done to the whole school on achieving 98% attendance. Special congratulations to 4DK who achieved 100%.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	
YR	RAG – 98%	RCD – 98%
Y1	1LG – 98%	1LR – 99%
	1SC – 96%	
Y2	2JM – 99%	2HC – 99%
Y3	3GG – 97%	3AW – 99%
Y4	4GB – 99%	4DK – <b>100%</b>
Y5	5HS – 97%	5JR – 98%
Y6	6FE – 98%	6CK – 98%

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week in their class!

RAG – Jacob

RCD – Avani

1LR – Jonny

1LG – Eva

1SC – Oran

2JM – Noah

2HC – Madison

3AW – Maria

3GG – Oscar

4GB – Noah

4DK – Robbie

5JR – Oliver

5HS – Gabriel

6CK – Sam

6FE - Billy

### Happy Birthday to –

Year R – Evangeline

Year 2 – Ethan

Year 3 – Molly-May

Year 5 – Wiktor & Mafalda

Year 6 – Harry, Joseph, Liam, Christa & Callum



### Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold

Date	Time	Event
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	9.30am	3GG Enrolment Mass at IHOM Church
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	All Day	Y6 Bikeability
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6pm	Y2 SATS Information Evening
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.15am	2JM Class Assembly
Thur 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2.15pm	Y1 Dinosaur Exhibition
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.15am	IHOMSA Coffee Morning
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.15am	5JR Class Assembly
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>1.15pm</b>	<b>Y5 Debating Competition at Civic Hall</b>
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>3.25pm</b>	<b>School closes for half term</b>
<b>Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	<b>School reopens</b>
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>KS2 St David's Merit House Non Uniform Day – Brownies/Cubs etc may wear those uniforms</b>
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	5HS Class Assembly
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	4DK Class Assembly
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All Day	<b>KS2 St Patrick's Merit House Non Uniform Day – Brownies/Cubs etc may wear those uniforms</b>
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	9.15am	1SC Class Assembly
<b>Weds 27<sup>th</sup> &amp; Thur 28<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>3.45- 6.45pm</b>	<b>Parent's Consultation Evenings</b>
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	RCD Class Assembly

Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	4GB First Holy Communion
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	10am	4DK First Holy Communion

Mrs. A. M. Phillips  
Headteacher

### Prayer from 4GB Assembly

Tomorrow we celebrate the Feast of Candlemas and the light which the birth of Christ brought into the world. There is much darkness in today's world and we pray that we answer the call of the Lord and we bring light into the world of those who need our help.

Lord in your mercy.

**If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils please ask to speak to Mrs Phillips, Mrs Hill, Miss Hargreaves or Mrs Roberts.**

