



Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School

Newsletter No.14

Friday 13th December 2019

Guided by the teachings of the Church we pray, work, celebrate, and care for each other and other people using the gifts we have been given by God the Father, Son and Spirit.

Dates for your diary		
Wednesday 18 th December	2pm	KS2 Carol Concert - In the Church - All welcome
Thursday 19 th December		Polar Express Movie and Pyjama Day (non-uniform)
Friday 20 th December		Christmas Party wear you party clothes also Toy Day (bring you own toy- no phones or consoles please) School closes as normal at 2.00pm for Christmas
Monday 6 th January		School re-opens to pupils



Invitation to Mass

All are welcome to join us on Wednesday 18th December 2019 at 9:15am for school Mass led by Year 4C

All families are invited to **Family Mass** on the first Sunday of each month at The Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church



We will not tolerate behaviour that is:

- ⊗ threatening,
- ⊗ abusive or
- ⊗ violent

NO EXCUSE FOR ABUSE

We strive to create a safe and secure environment for pupils and staff alike.
And we will take action when necessary.



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A Message from Mrs Milligan

Thank you for continuing to support the school, especially during the Advent period. It has been a joy to welcome parents, extended families, parishioners, governors and visitors into school this week. We even had a visit from Mrs Johnson!

A reminder that all visitors to school must conduct themselves in an appropriate way. Inappropriate behaviour from visitors to school will be challenged. This helps us create a safe and secure environment for pupils and staff.

Thank you to our wonderful staff who continue to go the extra mile to ensure our children have the very best opportunities.



EYFS Class September 2020

If you have a child due to start school in September 2020, we ask you to visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/admissions and submit an online application by 15th January 2020. (The final closing date). If you are applying for a place at Guardian Angels you will also need to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) this is available from the School Office or on the website, please complete this form and return to the school office. Most importantly make sure you provide the information requested, it is vital that proof of Baptism is included with this form if your child has been baptised Catholic



Well Done!

It is wonderful to receive news of children participating in community events. This week, Freya, Zara and Tilly took part in the West Midlands Police Carol Concert at St. Martin's Church in Birmingham City Centre as part of their Rainbows group. Well done girls!

Key Stage 1 Nativity

Well done to the children in Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 for perfecting such a great Nativity - THE BEST NATIVITY I HAVE SEEN ALL YEAR! The pupils have grown in confidence and skill and performed very well. The singing was outstanding with all children joining in together as a team. Thank you to Miss Hickey and the team for all of your hard work to bring the Nativity together. Thank you Children for highlighting the importance and true meaning of Christmas.

Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a traditional turkey roast with all the trimmings followed by chocolate yule log and mince pies. Children, teachers, lunchtime supervisors, the office team and pastoral staff all joined for this occasion - a real Guardian Angels Family meal. Thank you to Patricia and Gemma from City Serve for working so very hard to provide us with a wonderful meal.



Parishioners Christmas Dinner

On Thursday, we welcomed members of the parish and surrounding community to Guardian Angels for our annual Christmas Dinner. Guests received a delicious turkey lunch with all the trimmings, followed by Christmas pudding and mince pies. Pupils showed off their Christmas hats and Christmas box creations as they paraded around the school hall. Key stage one also sang a number mixture of modern and traditional Christmas songs from their Nativity this week. Finally, Maisie in Year 5 presented all of our guests with a Christmas present. This event would not be able to take place without the kindness and generosity of Carol, Wendy and Melissa, our 'Friends', along with local companies who make donations including Morrison's and Tesco.



Christmas in a Box Competition

Well done to all who were able to participate in the Christmas box competition in Key Stage 2. They were a delightful sight, many representing the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you and well done!

Christmas Hat Competition

Key Stage 1 had the task to design and make a Christmas hat for our parade. The children worked very hard on their creations at home and there were so many excellent ideas that show how creative our children (and parents) are. Thank you for your hard work and participation.

Chaplin's Panto

Today, Chaplin's panto came to Guardian Angels (Oh no they didn't – Oh yes they did!) The children really enjoyed the show, which was based on Beauty and the Beast. Thank you for your contributions towards this performance.



IMPORTANT ALLERGY INFORMATION:

Please be aware that there are a number of children and adults in school with allergies to food that may have severe symptoms. With this in mind, please talk to your children about the importance of not sharing food with other children. Sharer bags of snacks are not permitted on Free Choice Friday or any other day of the week. Please provide a sensible sized individual snack.

Medical Conditions and Personal Details

If your child has an allergy that you have not informed us of, or an allergy change please notify the school office as a matter of urgency and complete an up to date medical form.

Please ensure that you notify the office of any changes to contact information, we require at least three emergency contacts per student as part of our safeguarding procedure. We will be contacting parents where we require more information.

Advent and Christmas Events:

KS2 Carol Concert - Wednesday 18th December

In the Church at 2.00pm - All welcome

The Polar Express and PJ Day - Thursday 19th December

£1.00 - Please pay on ParentPay.

Christmas Party and 'Toy Day' - Friday 20th December NO donation required- Just for FUN!



Article 19 (protection from violence, abuse and neglect)



Safeguarding tip of the week:

West Midlands Police have made us aware of an App called 'UNICO LIVE'. The app is publicised as age 12+ and is designed for young people to upload videos of them performing, singing and dancing, etc. Inappropriate content on the platform involving young people has come to the attention of the police and this is being investigated. **Please make sure your child does not have access to this app.**

This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to:

Year 4B Laila

Year 4B Maddison

Year 4C Lewis

Year 5 Lily and Alfie

Attendance for last week.

Article 28 (right to education)

Well done Year 5

Reception	96.9%
Year 1	96.1%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3	97.3%
Year 4B	96.6%
Year 4C	98.6%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	96.7%
Overall Total for School	97.4%

Our whole school target is 97% Please ensure that your child is in school every day possible.

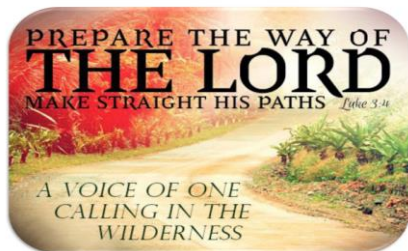
Attentive

We are attentive when we listen to our calling from God to love and serve one another in all that we do. We are attentive to our experiences and can see where they will take us in our future vocations.



Discerning

We are discerning when we decide to do the right thing in the interest of the needs of others because we know the positive impact that will have on their lives.



Merciful God, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the people for the coming of your Son, Jesus. In this season of Advent, help us to prepare for his coming as well. Help us to use this time of waiting to make positive changes in our lives and the lives of others around the world. We make this prayer through Christ, our Lord.

Have a lovely weekend

God Bless

Mrs H Milligan (Head Teacher)

Mr A Spindlow (Deputy Head Teacher)

