

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 2nd December 2022

Unlocking potential together in faith and love



Mission

Each Monday we share our mission of the week in our whole school assembly. Our mission for the week is for children who reflect during our class prayer time. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission. This is week one of Advent. This is a wonderful time of the year when we prepare for Jesus' birth.

Stars of the Week

Rec-Amanuel
Year 1- Alex
Year 2-Dexter
Year 3- Alfie
Year 4- Sophia
Year 5- Absent
Year 6- Sandra

Punctuality and Attendance

Reception- 89.6%%
Year 1- 88.9%
Year 2-91.0%
Year 3- 96.0%
Year 4- 92.4%
Year 5 96.1%
Year 6- 90.0%
Whole school- 95.2%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Learn about Baptism with Father Chapple – Monday 5th December 2:15pm

Father Chapple meets with a different class each week to support their learning in the RE curriculum. On Monday, he will meet with parents and carers to talk about Baptism. Everyone is welcome – meet Fr Chapple in the Cathedral at 2:15pm.

Parent Prayer Drop-In – Thursday 8th December 8:45 – 8:50am

All parents and carers are invited to come and light a candle and say a prayer for your child(ren) in the school hall for 5 minutes. Everyone welcome – any faith or none. Come through the front door after morning drop-off and enjoy a moment of peace.

St Francis Group Fundraising for Lancaster and District Homeless Action

During Advent, our St Francis Group are leading fundraising to raise money for Lancaster and District Homeless Action who are hoping to move to improved premises in the new year. Fundraising activities include:
Collection Buckets after the Nativity Plays
Carol Singing in the Playground on Monday 12th December with collection buckets
Christmas Jumper Day – see below

Christmas Jumper Day – Tuesday 13th December £1 donation

On Tuesday 13th December, all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper or a jumper they have decorated with tinsel etc for a donation of £1 (or more). All money raised will go to the Lancaster and District Homeless Action.

Visit Santa

Santa is coming to our Christmas Fair. If you would like to book please pay £3 on Parent Pay or £7 for a family. Santa will be available from 5-7pm on Friday 9th December in his grotto in Reception Class.

Join our Jesse Tree Prayer

During Advent, we are using the Jesse Tree resource from Ten:Ten every day for prayer and reflection. Parents are able to access and use this prayer resource at home by using the following portal:

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>

Username: CathedralParents

Password: cathedral22

We hope you will be able to find time to enjoy this resource as a family during Advent

Nativity

Reception and Key stage 1 will be performing their Nativity on 6th December at 2pm and 6pm in the Cathedral. Tickets will be available free of charge from the office. Please come and get yours. Children will be staying after school on the night to watch a film, eat sandwiches and a snack then perform. Please see the separate letter that was sent on the app for more details.

Christmas Fair

For the first time in three years the PTA are holding their Christmas Fair on Friday 9th December 5-7pm. This takes a lot of organising behind the scenes and we really want it to be a success. We have lots of games, stalls, crafts and refreshments on the night but we need YOUR help. If you are able to give half an hour of your time or more to help on the night to man a stall please come forward to Mrs Holt or volunteer on the PTA page. The more help we have the better so we can raise money for our wonderful children.

Dates for your diary – it is a busy few weeks so please look carefully for which dates are relevant for your child

2nd December - Non uniform day in exchange for new and unwanted gifts for adults for Christmas Fair

Reception stay and play 2pm

Christchurch Christmas Tree festival

6th December - 2pm and 6pm Nativity for Reception and KS1

7th December – KS2 to Robin Hood at the Dukes Theatre

9th December - Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle for Christmas Fayre

9th December - 5- 7pm Christmas Fayre in school

12th December – Year 6 homework display for parents 2pm

Choir singing in the playground

13th December- Christmas jumper day for St Francis Group

Reception and KS1 to Robin Hood at the Dukes Theatre am

Reception and KS1 Christmas Party

14th December – Secret room. Children can bring in £2.50 to buy a gift for an adult at home. It will be gift wrapped with a personal gift tag

Year 5 and 6 Ice skating experience.

KS2 Christmas parties

15th December – Whole school carol service in the Cathedral 2-3pm

16th December- **School closes at 1:30pm for the Christmas holidays.**

Christmas Tree Festival

We have entered a Christmas tree in Christ church for the festival. Please go and have a look at them all over the weekend and vote for our tree. It is open Saturday and Sunday 10am -4pm.

