



# NEWSLETTER

"Seeing Christ in ourselves and others"



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w/e Friday 5th December, 2025

Welcome, Ласкаво просимо, добро пожаловать, Witamy, Sveiki, Bienvenido, Bienvenue, ยินดีต้อนรับ to our weekly newsletter.

## Term Dates

School closes on

**Friday 19th December, 2025**

and reopens on

**Tuesday 6th January, 2026**

Details of 2025 & 2026 term dates are available on our website. Click the calendar icon or see the documents section in My Child At School.



## PE Lessons for Autumn Term

Any additional information about your child's PE lessons next term will be added to Class Dojo.

**Reception Class** - Wednesday & Thursday

**Year 1** - Wednesday & Thursday

**Year 2** - Tuesday & Thursday

**Year 3** - Wednesday & Friday

**Year 4** - Monday & Thursday

**Year 5** - Monday & Wednesday

**Year 6** - Wednesday (swimming) & Thursday



## Progress Meetings

Thank you to all families who have attended the progress meetings this week. Staff have really enjoyed meeting with everyone and sharing how hard the children have been working.

Please remember, if you have any concerns at any time or would like to speak to your child's Teacher, please contact us to make an appointment. Staff are always happy to help.

### ***Meetings next week are:-***

Monday 8th December, 2025 - Year 2

Monday 8th December, 2025 - Year 3



**Bambinelli Sunday**  
**Holy Family Church**  
**9.00 am Mass**  
**Sunday 14th December, 2025**

The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday, also called Bambinelli Sunday. Traditionally, children and adults in Rome bring figures of the Christ child from their family's nativity scene to St Peter's Square to be blessed by the Pope.

Father Kevin will be blessing Bambinellis at 9.00 am Mass on Sunday. Bishop Steven is also due to attend.

All families welcome.

## Christmas Dinner

A Proud Member of  
**BISHOP HOGARTH**  
Parish Education Trust

**Roast Turkey**  
**Sage & Onion Stuffing**  
**Pigs In Blankets**  
**Gravy**  
**Or Quorn Roast Sausages**  
**Roast Potatoes**  
**Baby Carrots**  
**Peas**  
**Christmas Cookies**  
**Christmas Ice Cream**

## Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 10/12/25

Christmas lunch is available for all children and they can order in class on the day with their Teacher!

For Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 the cost is £2.75, which can be paid for via the Dinners section on My Child At School. There is no charge for children entitled to free school meals or for children in YR, Y1 and Y2, as they qualify for Universal Infant Free School Meals. The usual charge will apply to children in Nursery.

# Happy Birthday

to pupils celebrating their birthday during the next week.

Evie M	Phoebe S	Seth T	Jimmy H	Oliver W
Oscar W	Alice H	Noah N	Ellaria S	Sophia S
	Nancy S	Sophie L	William S	

**Come along to the Christmas Fair on Tuesday 9th December, 2025  
from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm in the School Hall.  
Something for everyone!**

**We would be very grateful for donations of the items below.**

Raffle & Tombola Prizes	Sweets & Chocolates
Cakes, Cookies/Biscuits	Mince Pies
Good quality books.	Gift bags & bottle bags
Bottles of <b>anything</b> such as, wine, water, shampoo, juice etc.	

**We would also be grateful for any unwanted Christmas Jumpers**

Items can be sent to school with your child or dropped off at the school office.  
Thank you in advance for your support and we hope you will be able to attend.

## Kindness At Christmas Advent Appeal



For our Kindness At Christmas Appeal, we are encouraging children to think of others in the run up to Christmas. We would be very grateful for donations of the items below in aid of King's Foodbank, Darlington who provide support for local families.

Tinned Meat	Packet Mash Potato	Tinned Potatoes	Gravy
Cakes	Biscuits	Mince Pies	Chocolates
Sweets	Tinned Sponge Pudding	Juice/Squash	Custard
Sugar	plus any other tinned or non-perishable items.		

Year 6 will be helping to co-ordinate our advent appeal. There will be collection boxes in each class or items can be donated at the school office.

Please send items by Monday 15th December, 2025.

Any item would be very gratefully received. Thank you for your continued support!

### Absence Due To Illness

Please allow children to have 48 hours clear of any sickness, upset tummy or illness before they return to school. This will allow them to recover, start eating properly again and help to stop illness spreading. Please inform the school office by email or telephone of any illness before 9.10 am.





# Christmas Dates

Further information to follow

**CHRISTMAS FAIR:**

**TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER FROM 3:30-4:30PM**

**CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY:**

**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY:**

**THURSDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**RECEPTION CLASS NATIVITY:**

**MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2:15PM**

**IN HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

**YEAR 1&2 NATIVITY:**

**TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2PM**

**IN HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

**YEAR 3&4 NATIVITY:**

**THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2PM**

**IN HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

**YEAR 5&6 CAROL SERVICE:**

**FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2:30PM**

**IN THE SCHOOL HALL**