

*First Sunday  
of Advent*



*Hope*

“You too must stand ready because the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

Matthew 24:44

Eternal God,  
you will come when we do not expect you.

Help us to welcome you now in one another,

to reach out to our sisters and brothers  
in need of care and support.

And in this way  
may we be found ready,  
when you come again in glory.  
Amen.

Daily reflections and prayers  
throughout Advent:  
[cafod.org.uk/adventcalendar](http://cafod.org.uk/adventcalendar)

Catholic Agency for  
Overseas Development **CAFOD**

*‘Well Done’*

*to the following pupils who received  
special awards this week:*

**Reception – Keira**

**Year 1 – Evie, Luca, Aimee**

**Year 2 – Elsie, Clemmie, Dexter**

**Year 3 – Isla, George, Alfie**

**Year 4 – Aidan, Iris, Max**

**Year 5 – Sienna, Lola, Maddie**

**Year 6 – Ben, Bea, Xavier**



## Message from the Headteacher

Our Christmas performances are coming along brilliantly, and we are looking forward to seeing them in full. Unfortunately, this year, we will only be able to invite parents to the performances which will be taking place at 1.30 and 6pm.

I am looking for help to rewrite our Equality Policy and Plan. If you would be interested in helping me with this, please contact the office and I will set up a working party to meet in the new year.

Thank you to everyone who sent in their Christmas shoe boxes, we were able to send off 37 parcels. Thank you also for all your kind donations to Children in Need. We have, so far, raised £225.50. If you would like to donate, you can still do so via Parent Pay.

The Town Council is aiming to improve local amenities for young people. Some years ago, they tried to organise a skate park in the town and they are hoping to revive the project.

They need to provide evidence that young people in the area would be interested in using a skate park and so they have contacted us with an online questionnaire to survey opinion. The survey has been designed to be short and easy to understand, so that even the youngest children at school can take part. It also gives young people a chance to comment on other sorts of amenities that they would like to see in the town.

The Town Council have created a questionnaire in Google Forms which is anonymous and collects only the absolute minimum of data from children with no identifying details. Please follow the link to share your opinions.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFhRSR FNo7\\_NRv3E1Bco0mR81ZcIL\\_aP11LBqNHrjMEh5PQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFhRSR FNo7_NRv3E1Bco0mR81ZcIL_aP11LBqNHrjMEh5PQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0)

Have a lovely weekend.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Dates for Autumn/Spring Term</b>	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Yr 5 Lantern Parade at the Town Christmas Light Switch On
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity Performance 1.30pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Performances 1.30pm & 6pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Carol Services 1.30pm & 6pm
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Mass
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>School closes for Christmas at 12.05pm</b>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	INSET DAY
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET DAY
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Assessment Week
<b>HALF TERM</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 3.10 – 5.30pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 3.10 – 5.50pm
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Year Book Photographs
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>School Closes for Easter at 12.05pm</b>