ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY

'To live by our PEARL values'

Prayer, Equality, Achievement, Respect, Love

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Nativity Play- 'Nativity Rock'

Children from our infant classes will be performing their nativity production on <u>Tuesday 15th</u> <u>December at 1.45pm</u> and again at <u>9.30am on Wednesday 16th December</u>.

Thank you to all of you who attended the **Carol Concert** performed by our Key Stage 2 children last week. The school choir and all the children sang beautifully. The children also read from the Gospel and retold the nativity story.

End of the Autumn Term.

The school closes for the Christmas holidays on Friday 18th December at 3.15pm. The children return for the start of the Spring Term on Monday 4th January 2016. Please remember that the school will be **closed** to all pupils on Friday 8th January for a staff training day.

Christmas Fair.

A huge thank you to all the parents, staff and governors who helped organise last week's Christmas Fair. The event was very well supported by both parents and pupils and was a great success.

Carol Singing

Well done to both the children and members of staff who raised funds for CARITAS by singing Christmas Carols outside local branches of Sainsburys and Tesco last Friday.

The Year of Mercy

We have just begun this very special extraordinary jubilee year. Over the coming months the whole school community will be making a great effort to embrace the meaning of this great initiative which is centred around the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica. Passing through the Door of Mercy is a sign that we want to accept God's mercy, change our hearts and walk into God's loving embrace. The school will also be introducing our own symbolic Holy Door.

Father,

Slow to anger, abounding in mercy. You see us and run to us When we are far away from you, You find your way to us When we cannot find our way to you, You are always faithful when we are unfaithful.

God of Mercies,

Have mercy on us, So that were sin abounds Your grace may abound all the more, And we shall become like you, Merciful.