



# St Mary & St Michael's Catholic Primary School

Castle Lane, Garstang PR3 1RB

Head teacher; Mrs Luena Archibald

Dear Parents/Guardians

As you all know we will be having our Winter Wonderland Christmas Fayre on the 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. We would like to inform you of some events running up to the the fayre, the actual day and beyond.

12<sup>th</sup> December is the Winter Wonderland Fayre (Christmas non-uniform day). This starts at 2pm. Please pick up your child from the normal door at 2pm. If you are unable to collect your child at 2pm we will send them to after school club until 3.25pm (free of charge). Please note- the children will be in Wren classroom until 3.25pm so collection is through the office only.

There will be a variety of activities, games and crafts for the children to take part in throughout the fayre. The price range will be from 50p to £2 depending on the activity. We will be having a cashless system for the stalls and activities so children do not lose money. You can purchase a card from the office for £5 or £10, this card will have sections of 50p tokens which will be crossed out on the stalls. To save time on the day and avoid the queues, if you want to pre-purchase the cards please send money into school in an envelope with your child's name on by 9<sup>th</sup> December and we will send the card home or you can come to the office and pay by card on the PTA card machine.

Also from the 1<sup>st</sup> December we will be putting out our 'Reverse Advent Calendar'. This is for donations of tins, food and toiletries for St Thomas' Food bank. Please send in any donations with your child. Thankyou for your support.

## **Advent Mass**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> December we will be having our Advent Mass in church at 10am. All are welcome to join us.

## **Nativity**

On the 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm & 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am, it will be our wonderful nativity. This year Wren and Robin class are performing '**The Greatest Journey.**' Please come and support your children, simply turn up; there is no need for a ticket. Please note we have no evening performances this year- over the past few years we have had children falling asleep during the performance and a lot of illness due to tiredness. This year we are going to try something different to help with this.

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## **Christmas Parties**

Christmas party day is the 17<sup>th</sup> December. Children can come in their party clothes for this day. We will have party games, dancing and lots of fun! We will also have some snacks and drinks for the children.

## **Lancaster Singers Carol Concert**

On the 16<sup>th</sup> December our school choir will be joining Lancaster Singers adult choir for a carol concert. If you would like to support them, tickets are on sale at a discounted price of £5 for adults and free for child. Please purchase from the school office.

## **Christmas Lunch**

16<sup>th</sup> December is our Christmas lunch. Children can wear Christmas jumpers with their uniform. If your child would like a Christmas dinner, please complete the form on dojo and ensure there is credit in your Arbor account, thanks. We will decorate the hall, have Christmas music and Christmas crackers on the tables for everyone.

## **Carols Around the Tree**

The 20<sup>th</sup> December is our last day of the term. We will end with carols around the tree in the morning. This is an event just for the children. School also finishes at 1pm

## **Other small events**

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November- Book Fair after school

3<sup>rd</sup> December- OLHS Advent mass @ 5pm

4<sup>th</sup> December- Y5/6 Basketball @ GCA

18<sup>th</sup> December- Choir visiting Cornmill (Carol concert)

School will re-open on the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 after the Christmas holiday.

I know there is a lot happening over the next few weeks and we are also asking for many donations etc, however please only give what you can afford.

Have a wonderful family Christmas together and we will see you in the new year.

Best wishes

St Mary & St Michael's staff