Academy Newsletter

Friday 3rd December 2021 Autumn Term Issue: 12



Advent is a special time of year and a time for preparation. The children have been preparing in lots of different ways this week; in their lessons, in Liturgy and by learning Advent songs and hymns for our Mass at the end of term.

Advent Mass will be a closed event, however we are still hoping to go ahead with our other Christmas performances and activities. We are constantly risk assessing the events to make them as safe as possible and checking for any changes in guidance. For these to continue to go ahead, we **must** stress the importance of following the guidelines that were sent out with the tickets for the indoor events. We have attached a copy of these to this newsletter for further clarity. Please note that although it is our intention to have audiences, this is always subject to change. We would like to thank you for your continued support during this time.

Harrison Catering Menu Adjustment

On <u>Wednesday 8th December</u> Harrison will be changing their menu. The Red option will be a choice of Gammon, Pork and Chicken. Please note that due to supply pupils may not get their preferred meat choice when choosing this option as they will be asked to pick at the counter.





Seedlings Nursery

Places still available!

Please email the office for details and to secure your child's place



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Star of the Week

Nursery	Lara
EYFS	Isaiah
Year 1	Theo
Year 2	Milosz
Year 3	Arihant
Year 4	Freya
Year 5	Aarav
Year 6	Joshua



Rosie – Year 3

Leah – Year 5

Uniform Reminder

The pupils should be wearing full winter uniform, including this the winter PE kit on their PE day. PE uniform consists of:

Bottle green tracksuit (with or without Academy logo)

Gold t-shirt

Plain black or white trainers or plimsoles.

Some pupils have been wearing tracksuits of different colour or their v-neck Academy jumper/cardigan rather than the sweatshirt. Shorts worn with tights or leggings is not advised – shorts are part of the summer uniform. Thank you for your understanding.

Farewell

We will sadly be saying goodbye to Mrs. Stacey on Tuesday as she moves onto her new job. She will be greatly missed by the staff and pupils of St Peter and St Paul and thank her for the many years of service she has given to the Academy.

PantoOnline - Cinderella

PantoOnline was born last year due to Covid restrictions, and the children enjoyed Jack and the Beanstalk so much that we have organised it again this year, with an even bigger performance of Cinderella. Children will have the opportunity to watch this in the comfort of their own classrooms over the next few weeks.

Winter Weather

Please do make sure that the children come to the Academy wearing suitably warm clothes as the weather is now getting colder. They will be outside and do need a coat each day. Please make sure that your child has their name in their clothes for school. It makes it so much easier to return any lost items to their owners.



Bank Holiday - Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Next year is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and an extra Bank Holiday has been granted. As this falls in the half term holiday, we will be taking Friday 27th May as a substitute. **The Academy will be closed on Friday** 27th May 2022.



Christmas Activity Information



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Wednesday 8th December – Key Stage 1 Nativity (Year 1 and 2)

Event starts at 9:30am in the Gym. This is a ticket only event and 2 tickets have been sent out per family. Please follow the guidance sent out with the tickets.

Thursday 9th December – Upper Key Stage 2 Nativity (Year 5 and 6)

Event starts at 9:30am in the Gym. This is a ticket only event and 2 tickets have been sent out per family. Please follow the guidance sent out with the tickets.

Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day

This year is the tenth Christmas Jumper Day. All you have to do is make sure you wear a Christmas jumper on Friday 10 December.

"You don't even need a new jumper," the charity says. "You can dig out last year's, take a boring old sweater and add some tinsel, or get one from a charity shop."

A donation page will be set up on Schools Gateway to donate $\pounds 1$ or $\pounds 2$ for Save the Children. Wear your Christmas jumper with your school uniform to raise money for this great cause.

Tuesday 14th December – EYFS Nativity

Event starts 9:45am. Tickets have not been allocated for this event, as it is only one class. However, please keep guests to a minimum and follow the guidelines attached to this newsletter.

Wednesday 15th December – Christmas Lunch

Bookings for this have now closed.

Thursday 16th December – Year 3 and 4 Outside Carolling Event

Event starts at 3:00pm. We request that Year 3 and 4 pupils stay late on this day. Pupils will be carolling on the steps outside the Gym. This is not a ticketed event as it is being held outside, however we advise the wearing of masks and distancing yourselves to keep as safe as possible.

Friday 17th December – Advent Mass

This is an Academy event and for staff and pupils only.

Friday 17th December – Class Christmas Party Afternoon

Pupils can wear their own party clothes on this day, however please be mindful of the weather. We ask that they bring a small container with party food for individual consumption. Perhaps a packet of crisps and a small cake.





Diary Dates

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes. Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

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Wednesday 8 th December 2021	Key Stage 1 Nativity 9.30am TICKET ONLY
Thursday 9 th December 2021	Year 5/6 Nativity 9.30am TICKET ONLY
Friday 10 th December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 10 th December 2021	Deadline for raffle tickets to be handed in
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	EYFS Nativity 9:45am
Tuesday 14 th December 2021	Raffle draw after EYFS Nativity
Wednesday 15 th December 2021	Christmas Lunch (Pupils Only)
Thursday 16 th December 2021	Year 3 and 4 Carolling Event Outside 3:00pm
Friday 17 th December 2021	Advent Mass (Pupils Only) and Christmas Party Afternoon
Friday 17 th December 2021	Last Day of term – Stars close at 4:30pm

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4 th January 2022	Start of Spring Term – INSET DAY – Pupils not required
Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Pupils Return
Friday 11 th February 2022	Last day of half term – Stars finish at 4.30pm
Monday 21 st February 2022	Pupils Return
Friday 1 st April 2022	Last day of term – Stars finish at 4.30pm