



# Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**St Joseph's School a Catholic Voluntary Academy**



## ATTENDANCE FOR W/B 03/12/18

Reception Class	92.41%	Year 1	96.90%
Year 2	94.17%	Year 3	97.59%
Year 4	100%	Year 5	93.23%
Year 6	96.33%		

Congratulations to **Year 4** for the best attendance!

## ADVENT 2018

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Y1 & Y2 Nativity Performance 2.30pm

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

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**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Nursery & Reception Class Nativity Performance  
11.00am & 3.00pm

Christmas Jumper Day 'Save the Children'

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Y3 Advent Liturgy 3.00pm

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Dinner & Party Day non-uniform day  
Christingle Service in Church 6.00pm

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Y6 Advent Liturgy 3.00pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Mass 2.15pm

## GOVERNOR/SENIOR LEADER AND PARENTS' COFFEE

**MORNING Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 9.00am**

Please join us at our coffee morning this Friday where we will be sharing information about Education Penalty Notices for attendance, Emergency Planning for schools and also school holiday patterns.

## SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE NOTICE

### School Patrol Parking in Rossington

Last week patrols were conducted in Rossington by SYP. It was reported that some individuals are choosing to put our children's safety at risk by parking on the Zig-Zags. Officers will be issuing £50 penalties to any offenders without warning.

## AUTUMN TERM - IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Gymnastics Club Performance 9.00am

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Governors/Senior Leaders and Parents  
Information Coffee Morning 9.00am

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Reception Class Trip Totley Hall Farm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

School closes for half term holiday

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

School opens for Spring Term

## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

We are holding a Christmas Jumper Day in school this Friday in aid of 'Save the Children' - 50p donation.  
Thank you for your support.

## STAFFING FOR SPRING TERM

Mrs Courtney will begin her maternity early in the spring term - Good luck and congratulations.  
Mrs Bancroft, who has worked with the school already this year, will be teaching Monday - Wednesday for us to cover some of Mrs Courtney's teaching commitments. Mrs Bancroft will be working in Y2 on Monday and Tuesday and in different classes on a Wednesday. Mrs Robinson has been appointed as temporary Assistant Head from January 2019 for one year to cover part of Mrs Courtney's leadership role.

## SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Mrs Kelly - Headteacher  
Mrs Black - Business Manager  
Mrs Courtney - Deputy Headteacher (Maternity leave from early Spring 1)  
Miss Marsden - Assistant Headteacher  
Mrs Robinson - Temporary Assistant Headteacher

**THANK YOU** so much to everyone who supported this year's **Christmas Fayre** we raised a total of **£1100.65** which will be divided equally between the Parish and School.

## CHRISTINGLE CAROL SERVICE

We are inviting the children and their family members to make a Christingle for our Christingle Service at Christ the King Church on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm. **Please bring your Christingles with you to church on Tuesday evening.** Parents, families and members of the parish are warmly invited to join us for this service.

### HOW TO MAKE A CHRISTINGLE

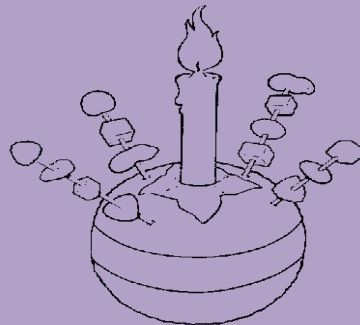
The orange itself represents the world.

The red ribbon around the orange symbolises the blood of Christ that Jesus shed to save us.

The four cocktail sticks are the four seasons of the year.

The dried fruit or sweets represent the fruits of the earth and the earth's riches God has blessed the world with.

The white candle, which is placed in the top of the orange, represents Jesus, the light of the world that shines over everything.



To make your own Christingle you will need: An orange, 4 cocktail sticks, red ribbon, dried fruit or small soft sweets such as jellies pins and a white candle.

1. Cut a hole in the top of the orange so that the candle will sit snugly in place.
2. Wrap a length of red ribbon around the middle of the orange. Hold the ribbon in place with pins, push the pins into the orange.
3. Carefully push dried fruit or soft sweets onto each cocktail stick, so that the cocktail stick is half covered then push the cocktail stick into the orange above the red ribbon. Evenly space the cocktail sticks out to the Four Corners of the world.

**WE WILL PROVIDE THE WHITE CANDLE IN SCHOOL**