

# Christmas Information

2019



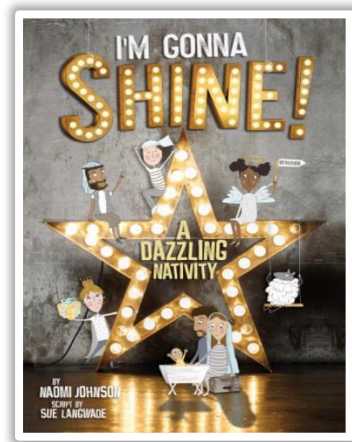
**Christmas at Our Lady of Lourdes this year is set to be full of spirituality, fun and Christmas cheer. Our children will have so many wonderful opportunities to shine and enjoy the festive season.**

## Christmas Plays and Carol Concert

This year, with the growing number of children in school, we are going to try something a little bit different with regards to Christmas Plays.

Our Reception Class, for the first time, will do their very own performance of the Nativity. This will be followed straight after by the KS1 performance of "I'm going to Shine!". There will be two performances of the Reception and KS1 shows on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of December**-the first at **1.45pm** followed by another performance at **5pm**. We ask that before the evening performance (at 5pm, in order for it to run smoothly,) the children go home after school, have something to eat and return to school by 4.30pm at the latest, **via the main entrance**. On **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**, our KS2 children will lead us in a carol service, where the Christmas message will be brought to life through readings, songs and carols. Again, there will be two performances of the Carol Service, one at **1.45pm and the other at 5pm**. We ask that the children return to school by 4.30pm for the 5pm performance **via the main entrance**.

Each child has an important role to play throughout the performances, so we ask that you make every effort to get the children back to school to make our evening performances successful. Please complete and return the slip attached to confirm that your child will be attending the evening performances.



**All performances will take place in church.**

## Christmas Raffle

The raffle will be drawn on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**, after our final evening performance. We would greatly appreciate any donations for this raffle and would kindly accept these by **Monday 2nd December**.

## Party Day

This year on party day, we would like all our children to come to school dressed in their party clothes.

We will be having party games in the morning, followed by a party lunch which will be provided by our kitchen staff as part of their normal school dinner provision. The children will still enjoy all of their party favourites, e.g. sausage rolls, crisps, cakes etc.

Packed lunch children will have the option of bringing their own packed lunch or to buy a school party food lunch. If your child has packed lunch, please complete the packed lunch form attached and return it to Mrs Armstrong, by no later than **Monday 2nd December**.

## Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas Dinner in school this year will be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. If your child is usually on packed lunch, and wishes to have a school Christmas Dinner, then please make sure that you have completed and returned the letter that was sent out, to Mrs Armstrong. Please return no later than **Monday 2nd December**

## Pantomime Visit

This year we are thrilled to be taking our children to see the pantomime Cinderella, at Sunderland Empire, on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. We will be leaving shortly after registration and travelling by coach to the theatre. Children will be provided with a snack and drink during the performance and we will be back to school to be collected at their normal pickup time.

## After School Clubs

After school clubs **will end on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**, in order to allow for Christmas events to take place. They will resume again week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

## End of term whole school Mass led by Class 5

All are welcome to attend our whole school, end of term Christmas Mass, which will be led by Class 5. It will take place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am in church. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

## Shotton Christmas Tree Lighting

The Shotton Christmas Tree Lighting will take place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, on Ashbrooke Estate, at 7pm.

All are welcome to attend this event.

