

# **Newsletter November 2019**

# Welcome Back

Welcome back from what I hope was a restful half term holiday. We have lots of exciting events to look forward to over the next half term, with Christmas just around the corner.

#### **Mass and Liturgy**

We thank Class 3 for leading us in a wonderful liturgy before the half term break. It was a beautiful celebration with confident readers and moving music.

Please join us for our next whole school Mass on Wednesday 13th November at 9.30am. This Mass will be led by Class 4 and you are all warmly invited to attend with refreshments in the school hall afterwards.

This will be followed by a whole school Mass on Friday 20th December at 9.30am led by Class 5.

Class 1 will lead the first of our half termly Class Liturgies to which you are all invited to. This will take place at Thursday 30th January at 9.10am in the school hall.

#### **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon**

Our coffee afternoon was very well supported and we raised £260.64 for a very important charity. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way.

#### **Children In Need**

We are organising a non-uniform day for Children in Need on **Friday 15th November 2019**. Children are invited to wear own clothes, or spots if they wish, and make a small donation with all proceeds going to Children in Need.

#### **Parents' Evening**

This half-term, from Reception Class to Class 5, Parent's Afternoon/Evening will take place on Tuesday 12th November 3.15-6pm and Monday 18th November 3.15-6pm.

#### November—a month of remembrance



During November, the children will participate in a range of learning experiences including learning about why we celebrate Armistice Day, reciting and learning poems from the wartime period and designing and making a whole school poppy display. It is a time for us in school to focus on and celebrate our British values and heritage.

# Remembrance Assembly-Monday 11th November at 2.15pm in church

We invite you to join us for a remembrance assembly on Monday 11th November at 2 15pm where the children will reflect on and share their work, thoughts and feelings . Please note, this will involve the whole school and will take place in church.

#### Poppies on sale

Throughout November, we will be wearing poppies to remind ourselves of all those who have given their lives in battle. Poppies will be on sale in school every day throughout November – all donations received will go to the British Legion who support the vital work of the armed forces.

#### **Remembrance Tree**

We also remember and pray for our own loved ones during the month of November. We will be adding all stars that are returned to school to our tree, and will be keeping them close in our thoughts and prayers.

# **Sacramental Preparation**

Parents of our Year 4 children have recently received information about sacramental preparation. If you are interested in your children taking part in sacramental preparation please sign and return the form to express your interest. There will also be a meeting held on December 5th at 5 30pm for parents who are interested in finding out more information.

## **Anti-Bullying week**

Anti bullying Week 2019 is being held between the 12th and 16th November and is organised by Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year the theme is 'Change starts with us'. Children will be taking part in lots of activities linked to Anti-Bullying over the week, which forms part of PSHE teaching in all schools. If you would like to find out any more information about Anti-Bullying week please visit https://

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Can I please remind you that every day in school matters and I would ask you to carefully consider when booking a holiday that it does not fall in school time. A Headteacher can only authorise 'Leave of Absence' in exceptional circumstances.

### **Sponsored Fun Run**

We would like to say a huge thank you to you all for your support with our sponsored fun run event. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and collectively raised an amazing amount of £1448.00, this will be used to provide more exciting opportunities for our children.

# **Christmas Activities**

#### Christmas Fayre – Friday 29th November 9:15am-11am

On Friday 29th November, we will be opening school for parents, friends and family members to join us at our school fayre. Items will be sold from 9:15 – 11:00am, with tea and coffee in the school hall. All money raised will go towards Christmas activities and events.

#### **Christmas Dates**

- Friday 29th November 9.15am-Christmas fayre
- Tuesday 10th December -Reception/KS1 performance 1.45pm
- Tuesday 10th December -Reception/KS1 performance 5pm
- Wednesday 11th December KS2 -performance 1.45pm
- Wednesday 11th December KS2 -performance 5pm
- Thursday 12th December Christmas Dinner Day
- Tuesday 17th December Whole School Pantomime Visit
- Wednesday 18th December Party Day
- Friday 20th December-end of term Mass led by Year 5



# Dates for your Diary!



Whole school Remembrance Liturgy in church	Monday 11th November 2 15pm	
Anti– bullying week	Monday 11th November—Friday 15th November	
Whole school Mass led by Class 4-all welcome	Wednesday 13th November-9.30am	
Children in Need Day	Friday 15th November	
Parents' Afternoon/Evening	Tuesday 12th November 3.15pm-6pm	
Parents' Evening	Monday 18th November 3.15pm-6pm	
Class 2 assembly	Friday 22nd November 9.10am	
Reception Liturgy	Thursday 28th 9.10am	
Autumn Fayre	Friday 29th November 9 15am	
Reception/KS1 Performance in church	Tuesday 10th December 1.45pm	
Reception/KS1 Performance in church	Tuesday 10th December 5pm	
KS 2 Performance in church	Wednesday 11th December 1 .45pm	
KS 2 Performance in church	Wednesday 11th December 5pm	
Christmas Dinner	Thursday 12th December	
Pantomime Visit– Whole School	Tuesday 17th December 2019	
Party Day	Wednesday 18th December	
Whole school Mass led by Class 5	Friday 20th December 9.30am	
School breaks up for Christmas	Friday 20th December 3.15pm	
Return to school	Monday 6th January 2020	

# 2019-2020 Holiday Dates

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-opens
Christmas 2019	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Monday 6th January 2020
Spring half-term 2020	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Easter 2020	Friday 3rd April 2020	Monday 20th April 2020
May Day 2020 (Friday 8th 2020)	Thursday 7th May 2020	Monday 11th May 2020
Summer half-term 2020	Friday 22nd May 2020	Monday 1stJune 2020
Summer 2020	Friday 17th July 2020	твс