

10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

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### This Week

#### Statement to live by

Our Statement to live by is I try to love others as I love myself. Please take the opportunity to talk about this with your child.



#### Foodbank Appeal

Thank you so much for the response that we have already had to our foodbank appeal. In keeping with our poverty proofing agenda in school, staff would ask that all parents who would like to show their appreciation; instead of buying staff gifts, consider contributing to the foodbank appeal instead.



Your kind contributions will make a big difference to those within our local community this Christmas.

#### Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas dinner day will take place on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**. Children are to come to school wearing their school uniform please. If your child normally has a packed lunch and you have informed school they would like to have a Christmas lunch on Tuesday, please pay for this using the payment item on ParentPay.

#### Attendance

As a school we aim for class attendance to be at **97%** or better.

The grid shows this week's class attendance. The attendance winners this week are...

**Year 2**



Year Group	Overall %
Reception	93.2
Year 1	88.3
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>98.2</b>
Year 3	95.7
Year 4	94.0
Year 5	95.7
Year 6	96.8

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

#### Gaudete Sunday

This Sunday we light the 3<sup>rd</sup> Advent candle. It is known as the 'Shepherd's Candle' and is pink because rose is the liturgical colour for joy. Gaudete Sunday reminds us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus.



### Christmas Party Day



A reminder that **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> is Christmas Party Day** in school. Children are to come dressed in their party clothes. (Please ensure that children will be warm enough at playtime as they will still be going outside and that footwear is safe). During the morning each class will have their Christmas party with lots of fun and games. They will have a party lunch, provided by school, unless packed lunch children have opted to bring their own. Following their lunch, the children will enjoy an online Pantomime during the afternoon. We are all so excited!

**There will be no outdoor learning on Monday.**

Children will **break up at the normal time on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** and will **return to school on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January**.

From all staff, pupils and governors at Our Lady of Lourdes, we would like to wish you a very happy and peaceful Christmas!



Upcoming Events	
Y6 Booster Sessions	Tuesday and Thursday mornings and will continue until Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December
Party Day/Online Pantomime	Monday 13th December
Christmas Performances available to view on the website	Monday 13th December *Please note this date could change, if so, we will let you know.
Christmas Dinner Day	Tuesday 14th December
Break up for Christmas Holidays	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Children return to school	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Break up for Half Term	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Return after Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022

