



St Peter's Catholic Primary School

School Year 2024 - 2025

School Newsletter

December 2024

Dear parents and family members

As today marks the second day of Advent, we are reminded that now is a time for quiet reflection and contemplation as we prepare for Christmas Day.

I had the happy task of completing a learning walk for R.E. this morning and it was wonderful to see children in all year groups learning about Advent and sharing scripture which teaches them about the events which led to the first Christmas. I saw R.E being enjoyed through drama, art, writing and discussion.

Miss Vedamuttu



Thank you to Mrs Gillespie for bringing joy to our lobby and entrance hall with these beautiful trees, in school colours!!



Attendance

Attendance figures from 4th September - Friday 28th November 2024

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
97.5%	93.1%	96.4%	93.3%	98.3%	95.4%	96.1%	95.8%

Well done to Year 4 who have the best attendance in the school, as they often did last year too. There's a treat winging its way to you this week!

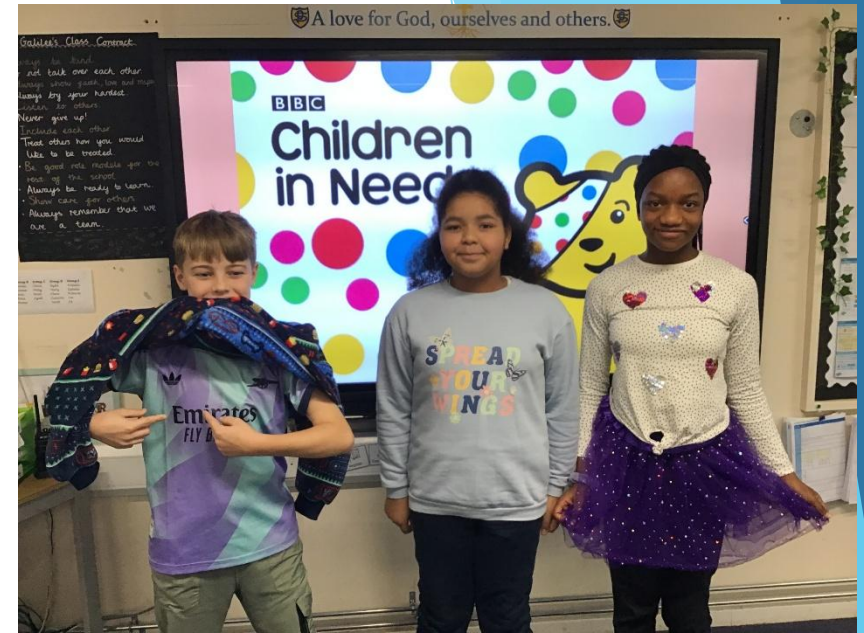
As you can see, attendance has slipped in some classes - T's the season for the germs to take hold - but please do all you can to get your child to school when they are well enough.

Children in Need Day

We had a wonderful day fundraising for Children in Need this year; the children enjoyed watching the CBBC fun led by The Gladiators and showed us all the ways that they can be a hero!

Thank you for your donations, we raised £258.26 in cash donations and we know that many of you donated directly to the Children in Need website too.

We know the funds will make a difference to children across the United Kingdom.



VR Workshops

What a wonderful time the children (and staff) had experiencing history and geography through Virtual Reality!



Class pages

Make sure you are checking in to your children's class pages to see their learning each week.



Christmas at The Sacred Heart of Jesus

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Tuesday 17 Dec - 6:30pm

CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 22 Dec - 4:30pm

CHRISTMAS EVE - FAMILY MASS:

Tuesday Dec 24th - 5pm

Carols 9:15pm

VIGIL - "MIDNIGHT" MASS:

Tuesday Dec 24th - 10pm

CHRISTMAS DAY:

Wednesday Dec 25th - 9.30am Mass &
11am Mass

BOXING DAY

Altar Servers' Feast of St Stephen

Thursday Dec 26th - 10.30am

NEW YEAR EVE

Tuesday 31st Dec

10pm Adoration, Praise & Worship

11pm End of Year Mass

NEW YEAR

Wednesday 1st Jan

11am New Year Mass

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the Parish
calendar.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
Thursday 5 th December 2024	Parent helpers needed to prepare for Year 1's Christingle service
Friday 6 th December 2024	8:30am - Advent Prayer Group (each Friday of Advent)
Friday 6 th December 2024	2:45pm - Year 1 Christingle Service - All welcome
Monday 9 th December 2024	Christmas around the World - children to be in normal school uniform please
Tuesday 10 th December 2024	10am - 4:50pm - Highsted Jamboree - 10 pupils and Mrs Baker - details have been sent to relevant families 3:30pm - 5pm - PTFA Christmas Crafts event.
Thursday 12 th December 2024	4pm - Year 2 Carol Concert @ Sacred Heart Church - Year 2 parents to be given more information
Monday 16 th December 2024	10am - Reception and Year 1 - Nativity Performance for families 2pm - Reception and Year 1 - Nativity Performance for families
Tuesday 17 th December 2024	1:30pm - Year 2 attending Woodstock Residential Home to sing carols
Wednesday 18 th December 2024	Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas jumper day (just for fun!)
Thursday 19 th December 2024	9:30am - Rocksteady Christmas Concert - Families welcome
Thursday 19 th December 2024	1:30pm - Santa Run for Charity - details to follow
Friday 20 th December 2024	9:10am - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Service in school. 9:30am - Years 3 - 6 - Attending 10am mass at The Sacred Heart
Friday 20 th December 2024	2pm - Term ends - all children to be collected please.
Monday 6 th January 2024	Term 3 starts for all pupils.

