

A weekly newsletter for children, parents, staff and governors of St. Bede's ...

St. Boniface said of St. Bede that 'he shone forth like a lantern.'

# The Lantern



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Friday 14th December

Dear Families

An incredibly busy week in school; lots of performances and other special occasions.

God Bless

Gary Nott Katherine Roberts

## A Week Of Festivities.

We have enjoyed performances from lots of different children this week: Reception, Y2, our nursery, the choir and our instrumentalists—all in the one week! All the songs were sung or played beautifully and the lines delivered carefully. Well done children and staff! Certainly, it has got us all in the Christmas spirit with just one week of a long term remaining.

## He's behind You!

Today the children were treated to the annual pantomime here at St Bede's. This year, it was a story entitled Scroogical.

## A busy week for the choir!

The choir sang well for the folks at the St Bede's fellowship on Monday and again today for the residents of Gable Court Care Home.

Our thanks to Mrs Robinson, who conducted the children again today at the school's Christmas music concert.

## Dates for The Diary

**Saturday 15th December 9.00-11.00**

Y2 Saturday Reading School—**CANCELLED**

**NO TUTORING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS LAST WEEK OF TERM**

**Monday 17th December 10.45 am**

Y2—Y6 Carol Concert—in Church—parents invited—

**Wednesday 19th December**

Christmas Dinner

**Thursday 20th December**

Christmas Parties (50p donation—thank you)

**Friday 21st December 1.30pm**

School finishes

**Monday 7th January 2019**

School reopens

**NO TUTORING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FIRST TWO WEEKS OF TERM**

## Service of Reconciliation

We had a lovely service of reconciliation on Tuesday. Many of the children in Y4, 5 and 6 chose to see Father Martin to make the sacrament. Our thanks to him and to Mrs Mackie and the Guardian Angels for all their hard work in making a very reflective occasion for us to share.

## No Tutoring or Clubs

There will be no tutoring or after-school clubs next week, it being the last week of term. Likewise, there will be no after school clubs or tutoring in the first **two** weeks of the new term in January. Please remember to make a note on your calendars.

## Saturday School

Saturday school has now finished for our reading children. Saturday School will return next term for mathematics in Y2. Invitations will be sent out the first week back.

## Thought For The Week

Father Martin told the Gospel of the one missing sheep this week in his own inimitable style- the children in Y4,5 and 6 should be able to retell his story to you. We were reminded that rather than writing off the one missing sheep, the good shepherd went looking for it and brought it back home lovingly to the flock. It is comforting to remember that Jesus will come looking for us too when we stray off the right path.

## Progress

It's what lessons are all about. Each day in school, the children *and adults* try to record their personal best—their PB! It's not about whether you are in front or behind others—it's about improving on your own performance from the last time it was measured. The teachers have been sharing with me this week their children's progress in recent assessments and I am pleased to say there is a lot to smile about. Where progress has fallen short, we all dust ourselves down and redouble our efforts—children and staff—to make great strides before the next time the children are tested at the end of the spring term.

Please remember not to block our neighbours' drives in Canon Avenue. It does cause bad feeling. Remember too please not to park on the zig-zags outside school—they are there for a reason.

**For Sale from the School Office, all your winter essentials.**

**Hats £5 Gloves £3 Scarves £7 Correct money only please. Thank you**

## School Meals

We felt it important the children had the option of a school Christmas Dinner this year. If your child is in Y3, Y4, Y5 or Y6 , you can order a Christmas lunch should you wish to purchase one. In the New Year we hope to make school lunches available to all junior children whose parents wish to buy one. To do this, you will need an account and to be in credit. We will tell you when you can order in the New Year.

**Lantern Certificates—Very Well Done!**

Faye; Ralphie; Damian; Natasha; Ashton; Oluwaseun O; Vanessa; Marina; Freddie; Bright; Samaya; Jennifer; Ruby P

**Mistletoe and Wine Christmas Concert Sunday 16th December 6.30 St Bede's Church Tickets £10 (under 16's £5)**