

Wow, where did that half-term go? Full steam ahead to Christmas!

God Bless

Gary Nott Katherine Roberts

Head teacher Deputy Head teacher

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

The Lantern



Parent/Teacher Consultations

This evening we have our first parent/ teacher consultations of the new school year. The appointments are to discuss progress in maths and English in Y1 to 6 and how the children have settled in Reception and Nursery. I do hope you will find the meetings informative.

The second evening of meetings takes place on Thursday 1st November 4.00-7.00pm. The Church carpark will be open-our thanks to Father Martin.

After School Clubs

As is usual, the after school clubs will begin next half term. There will be four:

- ◆ Mondays, Choir Y5/6
- Mondays, Y3/4 Multi-skills sport;
- Thursdays, Y5/6 Multi-skills sport;
- and, Fridays Y5/6 Football.

Children's names will be drawn out of the hat for sports clubs, which will run until February half-term, when different children will be given the opportunity to join.

Parent Voice

We are struggling to appoint one person to every year group. We realise people have a great many commitments. If you would like to volunteer, please do get in contact via the school office.

We need three more advocates—one each for Year 2, Year 4 and Year 5.

Meetings are held termly, on a Friday morning.

So far confirmed we have: Nursery Ms Maynard (Jamie); Reception Ms Day (Rose and Patrick); Y1 Ms Rosemond (Caleb); Y3 Mrs Milos (Jasiu); and Y6, Mrs Maxwell (Maggie).

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Dates for The Diary

Thursday 18th October 3.15/3.20

School finishes for half-term

Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00pm

Friday 19th October

Staff Training Day (School closed for Children)

Monday 22nd/ Friday 26th October

Half-term Holidays

Monday 29th October

School re-opens

Thursday 1st November 10.45 am

All Saints Mass in Church (parents welcome)

Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00pm

W/b Monday 5th November

After school clubs commence (invitation only)

Tutoring starts in Y3, 4 and 5—Tuesdays and Wednesdays—invitation only

Thursday 8th November 6.00pm

SATS information Evening Y6

Friday 9th November 2.45pm

3LS Class Assembly

Saturday 10th November 9.00-11.00

Y2 Saturday School

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child School Box Appeal

We would welcome boxes in school the week commencing 29th October. See this website for full details:

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

Thought For The Week

In the Gospel this week, we heard the story of Jesus telling the good man that he must be prepared to give up his possessions in order to enter the Kingdom of God. This is a hard lesson and we discussed what it meant with the children. I don't think we are literally being asked to give up all our things. That would be hard. But I think we are being asked perhaps to travel light - to enable us to focus upon what really matters—other people and how we treat them. I know in recent times it has become fashionable to forego a present at Christmas and see our loved ones instead purchase a goat or water for someone living in the developing world through one of the many charities that are out there. It may be a good place to start...

Poppies

We will again be selling poppies in school after our return from half-term. A donation will be appreciated for this good cause. Thank you.

School Meals

A new menu commences on our return from half-term. Please note that beef is to be substituted for lamb in the Bolognese and chilli; and pork substituted for chicken in the sausages. Please see website for meal options; these have been distributed in class for children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 and those junior children entitled to a free school lunch.

Parking

Please do not park over local residents' drives when you are dropping or picking up your children. It can lead to frustration and anger. As a school, we want to have good relationships with local residents—they are our neighbours.

Lantern Certificates—Very Well Done!

Eden; Liesl; Sofia T; Jacob E; Kamsi; Olivia E; Erin L; Yuliana; Owen

Anti-Bullying Week commences 12th November