

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 25th November 2022



Upcoming Events...

Monday 28 th November (8:50am)	Blessing of the Wreath
Thursday 1 st December	Bake Sale
Friday 2 nd December (9:30am)	Pre-loved Christmas Jumper/t-shirt Sale & SAFFA Coffee Morning
Wednesday 7 th December	Nasal Flu Immunisations
Friday 9 th December	Non-Uniform Day
Monday 12 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 13 th December (1:30pm)	Nativity Performance
Wednesday 14 th December	Y5/6 Carol Singing at Belmont House
Wednesday 14 th December (8:50am)	Year 5/6 Liturgical Prayer "Advent"
Wednesday 14 th December (6:00pm)	Nativity Performance
Thursday 15 th December (3:00pm)	SAFFA Christmas Fair
Monday 19 th December	Jack & Jill and the Beanstalk Pantomime
Tuesday 20 th December	Christmas Dinner/Party/Jumper Day
Wednesday 21 st December (1:15pm)	The Blessing of the Crib
Wednesday 21 st December (1:30pm)	School Closes for the Christmas Holidays (Re-opens on 09.01.2023)

Proud to be Me: *ADVENT: "It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in each one of us memories of goodness." Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (Pope from 2005 to 2013). Advent helps us get ready for Christmas. It is a time to make an extra effort to be more loving towards God and our neighbours. Perhaps you can: always try to be fair, honest, generous and ready to go out of our way to help anyone who is in need; be a peacemaker; put up a crib, Advent wreath and Advent calendar; make a special effort to let other family members know how much you love them – through your words and actions.*

Reception	Avery	For always being eager to help Mrs Brotherton and help others in phonic activities. You are developing listening skills and teamwork.
Year 1	Connie	For always being helpful, kind and respectful to others. Connie always tries her best with every task given to her.
Year 2	Vincent	For organising himself and knowing when to ask for help and resources. You are showing developing your independence and resilience.
Year 3	Seb J	For working so hard to produce an independent diary entry this week in writing. Well done Seb.
Year 4	Max	For making a thoughtful and meaningful advent prayer to go with his Christmas tree craft.
Year 5	Violet W	For impressing me with her sentences in English, you have built real suspense and anticipation, so well done!
Year 6	Abigail	For showing real dedication to improving her cursive writing, and producing brilliant work during our Judaism topic, particularly her diagram of the Seder plate.

P.E: **Tinashe** for trying her best in all parts of our lesson. **Skylla** and **Darla** for their amazing partner work in Gymnastics. **Gerard** for his brilliant creativity in our mirror game and his fantastic recall of prior learning. **Emily** had excellent listening skills and great demonstration of lunge in fencing. **Oliver** showed impressive leadership and determination in fencing and dodgeball after school club. **Bailey** demonstrated excellent Leader and volunteer in gymnastics helping others. **Jenson** was willing to try everything asked in gymnastics.

Spanish: **Dougie** did great listening and joining in during Spanish this week. Well done! **Gerard** always shows great enthusiasm for Spanish every week. **Melchi** impressed me so much this week with his fantastic focus in Spanish. **Abigail** worked with a really determined attitude to complete our work on directions in Spanish.

Music: **Isla** for her super singing and instrument naming work this week. **Asley** for her super singing and instrument naming work this week. **Maya J** for her fantastic singing in music the week. **Jensen W** for trying really hard this week in our rhythm lesson.

Best Attendance: Year 5/6 with 97.5% **Prayer Bear:** **Matilda**

Share a Prayer: **Zara**

House of the Week St Catherine's with 82 points

Top Table: Preacher

Bronze Awards go to **Shay, Heidi, Alex, Clay, Juno, Gerard, Erin, Laylah, Matilda C, Vincent, Noah, Abigail, Jenson F, Christopher, Marshall and Hermione** for earning 100 Monster Effort points – Well done!

Plugs for Parents...

Blessing of the Wreath 28.11.22: Family and friends are invited to join us for the *Blessing of the Wreath* at 8:50am.

Bake Sale 01.12.22: This week, Y3/4 have been learning about the many charities that support animals. The children were so passionate about supporting animals in our local area, Isla asked if we could do a bake sale to raise money! There will be a bake sale on Thursday 1st December at playtime. Bakes will be 30p each of two for 50p. Please can children bring cash into school to pay for this – all proceeds will be passed on to Dogs4Rescue.

Pre-loved Christmas Jumper/t-shirt Sale & SAFFA Coffee Morning 02.12.22: Donations of pre-loved Christmas jumpers and t-shirts are needed ready for this sale which will take place after the *Proud to be Me* assembly on 2nd December along with a SAFFA coffee morning with mince pies. Please drop off any items that you want to donate at the school office. Christmas jumpers/t-shirts will be 50p each. Following the coffee morning, SAFFA will be having a meeting. All newcomers are welcome.

Nasal Flu Immunisation 07.12.22: Following the email sent out on 20th October, if you would like your child to receive the [nasal flu vaccine](#) in school and haven't already completed the consent form, please follow the link. The link will close on 05/12/2021. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu vaccine since Sept 2022, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 358 3397 (opt 2).

Non-Uniform Day 09.12.22: In order to support SAFFA's fundraising for the Christmas raffle and fair we are having a non-uniform day. As a forfeit we are asking each child to bring something in to contribute to a hamper for the raffle. These items are going to be colour coded by class with each class bringing an item in of that colour: Reception/Y1 red, Y1/2 yellow, Y3/4 purple and Y5/6 blue. Thank you.

In addition, if you have any good quality toys or tombola prizes to donate, please bring these to school on 9th December too as these will help SAFFA to put on a really good **Christmas fair**, thank you.

KS1 Nativity Performance 13 & 14.12.22: Early next week your KS1 child will find out what part they are playing in the Nativity. They will also be coming home with a clothes list for items that they will need for their costume. Tickets are on sale from the school office for £1 each – please bring cash to the office if you would like to purchase any.

Y5/6 Carol Singing at Belmont House 14.12.22: Year 5/6 have been invited back to Belmont House to sing carols to the residents there. This has been a highlight of the residents Christmas celebrations in the past and so it will be nice to reinstate this annual event once again.

Year 5/6 Liturgical Prayer "Advent" 14.12.22: Family and friends are invited to join us for this Liturgical Prayer in the School Hall.

Jack & Jill and the Beanstalk Pantomime 19.12.22: As a Christmas treat and in acknowledgement for all the hard work done this term, the children will be invited to a performance of Jack & Jill and the Beanstalk in the school Hall performed by the theatre company, Splats.

Christmas Dinner/Party/Jumper Day 20.12.22: Miss Eady would like to encourage all children to order a Christmas dinner on this day, as our school family join together for a special lunch to celebrate Christmas. School meals are free for all KS1 children. This always proves to be a great day, as each class enjoy a Christmas party with lots of games, and everyone can wear their own clothes and come in Christmas jumpers or Christmas t-shirts.

The Blessing of the Crib 21.12.22: Family and friends are invited to join us in the Hall for *The Blessing of the Crib*.

School Closes for the Christmas Holidays: School will close early at 1:30pm for the Christmas holidays. Please make arrangements to collect your child at this time, thank you.

Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential (February 2023): A letter has been sent out via email regarding this Residential. The first instalment is due on 1st December and can be found on ParentPay. Please could parents also complete the consent form linked on the letter, thank you.

Plugs for Parents Continued...

National Online Safety: TikTok is a free social media platform that lets users create, share and watch short videos ranging anywhere from 15 seconds to 10 minutes in duration. The app gained notoriety for its viral dances, trends and celebrity cameos and can be a creative, fun platform for teens to enjoy. Now available in 75 languages, it has more than a billion active users worldwide (as of spring 2022) and is most popular with the under-16 age bracket. In fact, a 2022 Ofcom report found TikTok to be the most-used social media platform for posting content, particularly among young people aged 12 to 17. In the attached guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as age-inappropriate content, dangerous challenges and contact with strangers

Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter: Please follow this link for the [Ten:Ten parent newsletter](#)

Wednesday Word: Please see here for this week's [Wednesday Word](#)

Other Items...

Shoe Box Appeal: A huge thank you to everyone who donated to the Shoebox Appeal. They have not been collected yet, so if you have made one but not brought it in, there is still time to bring it in on Monday Morning.

Raring2Go: Please follow this link to see the [Raring2Go](#) online winter magazine. This has all sorts of things that are happening in and around Sheffield and Rotherham this winter.

Easyfundraising: Please don't forget that SAFFA (St Ann's Family and Friends Association) is registered with easyfundraising to raise free funds, at no extra cost to you. When you shop via the easyfundraising website or app, with over 7,000 of your favourite brands, including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Amazon and many more, you will raise FREE donations for the school. If you're not already registered, please visit our [easyfundraising page](#). This will really make a difference to our school! Thank you for your support, SAFFA.

Attached with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – What Parents need to know about TikTok
- St Ann's Church and St Mary's Church Bulletin – 34th Sunday (C)
- Sheffield City Council – Cost of Living Crisis – How to help – Where to find support