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St Mary's Newsletter 24.11.2023

It's been a busy few weeks in school with the Year 4 Savio trip and the choir Festival of Music.

Christmas themes and activities will now be filtering into school and the class rooms in the next few weeks

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Janet McKinlay

Remembrance Parade

It was lovely to see so many of our children attending the remembrance service on Sunday 12th November at the Bullring with the various organisations they belong to such as Brownies, Middlewich Town Football Club and the Boys Brigade.













Savio House

Year 4 have arrived back safely and had a wonderful time at Savio House. It was a lovely experience for them to spend a few days away from their normal surroundings with the opportunity to reflect on their lives and experiences, learning more about their gifts and qualities, and discovering a little of the reality of God in their lives.

Chapel Group

Chapel group has reverted to its previous time which is, Tuesday from 8.00 am – 8.30 am.

Pupils from Reception to Year 6 can attend. We pray together, do some art and craft and have time for reflection.

PTA Discos

Time to get dressed up and have a bop! The popular school discos are back. Put 29th November in your diary. The teachers will collect the cash from pupils and create a log of everyone who pays so that they can form a register for each disco to give to the PTA to avoid confusion on the door on the night. We are very grateful to the PTA for all their fundraising efforts. The PPT from the recent AGM will be available shortly on the website so you can see how much they support the school.



Music Festival

The annual Music Festival, attended by all the Catholic feeder Primary Schools, took place at St Nicholas High School on the 16th November. We would like to say a huge thank you to the children which signed up and attended the event to represent our school and to Mrs Reed for organising it.

It was a great experience and the quality of the performances by primary school children, St Nicholas' choir and St Nicholas' staff choir was excellent.







Number 42 Bus

Unfortunately, Cheshire East will be withdrawing the diversion into the school from the 8th January. Service reliability overall on the 42 has fallen to the point action was needed. We are not the only part of the route affected. They will review again if reliability settles to an acceptable level.

Middlewich Lights Switch On

Schools Together Advent Celebration

Saturday 25th November at **5 pm** in St Michael's Church.

All Primary age children are invited to 'come and sing' as part of a **combined children's choir**.

Afterwards, Middlewich Town Council is organising a light parade as part of the Christmas Light Switch On. This will start off at Home Bargains, Travel down Queen Street and arrive at the Christmas tree just before the official switch on at 7 pm

So come along to St Michael's then join the parade leaving from Home Bargains.

Elf Run

The annual sponsored Elf Run will take place on Wednesday 6th December. All children will need to wear their PE kit this day.

Each child will receive an elf's hat and a pot of porridge supplied by St Luke's Hospice which they can take home with them afterwards.

We appreciate that families may be struggling with the cost of living so all children will receive their hat regardless of whether parents/carers return the sponsor forms which will be sent home with each child.



Foundation Stage & Key Stage One Christmas Assembly 12th December 2.15pm

This will be held on Tuesday 12th December in the school hall at 2.15pm and parents are invited to attend and take their children home after the performance has finished.

Details will be sent home from class with each child regarding lines and costumes.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 6 th December	Elf Run – All children to wear their PE Kit
Tuesday 12 th December	Foundation Stage and Key Stage One - Christmas Assembly, 2.15pm in the School Hall – Parents to attend & take children home afterwards
Wednesday 13 th December	School Christmas Lunch School Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 15 th December	Whole School Panto Northwich Memorial Hall All Sports Clubs finish 4pm Friday 15 th December
Monday 18 th December	Last After School Club before Christmas 3pm to 6pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Last Breakfast Club before Christmas 7.30am to 8.30am Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm All children to be collected at this time School closed 20 th December to 2 nd January 2024
Wednesday 3 rd January 2024	School Opens 8.30am

Stars of the week



Well done to you all!

Reception	Page Maisie
Year 1	Ali Osaïd Muhammad
Year 2	Galdes Charlotte
Year 3	Barron Xixona
Year 4	All of Year 4
Year 5	Hough Pippa
Year 6	Ali Saad Muhammad
After School Club	Barron Xixona

Christmas Lunch

On Wednesday 13th December 2023 we will be having our school Christmas Lunch.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to this meal free of charge.

For other Year Groups, the cost of the school Christmas Lunch is £2.50 and payment needs to be made by ParentPay, www.parentpay.com¹

If your child **WILL NOT** be having a Christmas Lunch on this day, please can you advise the school office so that we have an idea of numbers for catering purposes.



Important Reminder - ParentPay Accounts

As we finish this week, please ensure your ParentPay accounts are in credit by the end of today.

If you are in arrears with your school meals next week, you will be required to bring in a packed lunch for your child.

¹<http://www.parentpay.com/>

Contact Us

Absence

- Reporting an absence, please ring 01606 516 171 & select option 1, by 9am latest each day. State child's full name, class and reason for absence.

Email finance@stmrc.uk² for:

- ParentPay & School Club queries
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