

The Week Ahead

Monday 18th December

FS1 performance 11am in Foundation-Children stay all day and have a party lunch

Tuesday 19th December

KS2 After School Young Voices club 3:15-4pm

School Choir performing at St Pius Advent service- Starts 6:30pm

Wednesday 20th December

F2/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4 to have Flu Nasal immunisations

Toddler Group 9:15-11am

School closes for the Christmas holidays at 2pm

School reopens on Monday 8th January

Jess Cup

The Jess Cup is awarded each week to a pupil who demonstrates impeccable behaviour and makes a good contribution to school life. Last week's winner of the Jess Cup was Mary Donnelly and this week's was Tilly Houlton-Wilson. Congratulations!

Apologies to Evie Parker Burdin who previously won the Jess Cup but was missed off the newsletter – well done!

Advent Bags

We hope that the children who have already taken the Advent bags home have enjoyed sharing it with their families. Please note some children will not have had the advent bag yet, once it is given to your child it does need to be returned the next day so that it can be passed onto the next child. Thank you.

Christmas Lunch with Santa

Congratulations to the following children who had lunch with Santa today ;

Joseph Hudson, Ted Beevers, Darcie Mylcreest, Harry Hudson,
Ruby Jo Doyle, Jenson Doyle, Dillon Kitchen and Violet Parks
Marriott

St Pius X Advent Service

The choir will sing for the final time at the St Pius X Advent Service on Tuesday 19th December. Children should arrive at St Pius School for 6:00 wearing full school uniform. All are welcome to attend and no tickets are required.

Early Finish

School will close for the Christmas holidays at 2 pm on Wednesday 20th December.

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Friday 15th December 2017

Dear parents and carers

We are sure you have enjoyed sharing the talents of your children through the Advent presentations this week. The children have once again told us the Christmas story in their own meaningful ways. Thank you to all parents, carers and grandparents who have supported them in this. F1 will be presenting their Christmas story on Monday morning. May we take this opportunity to offer all our families a happy and holy Christmas.

Christmas Church Services

Christmas services at St. Joseph's Church are as follows:

Saturday 23rd December Mass at 6:30pm

Sunday 24th December No 11am Mass

Carols at 5pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm

Monday 25th December Mass at 11am

Information Session for Y6 Parents

There will be an information session for Y6 parents on Thursday 11th January at 3.15 pm in Y6 classroom. The meeting will cover arrangements and information regarding SATs assessment format and how you can support your child at home. It will also explain about the Y6 residential at Castleton that will take place from 27th June to 29th June. Children will be supervised during the meeting by a member of staff.

Christmas Party Menu – Wednesday 20th December £2.05

On the last day of school we have a special party menu; if you want your child to have the party menu please send in the money by next Monday 18th December. **This is the only meal choice on this day.** (Key Stage 1 are free meals)

Assorted Sandwiches
Cheese Rolls, Sausage Rolls
Chips
Assorted Christmas Buns

Winter Wonderland

On behalf of ‘Friends’, thank you to everyone who supported the ‘Winter Wonderland. A great time was had by all. A big thank you for all your contributions to the chocolate tombola and all the help received.

Once a week take a peek

We have been informed of head lice again in school. Head lice are really hard to clear from a class/school unless parent/carer’s check hair on a regular basis. Information from the school nurse is to use conditioner and comb through the hair with a nit comb (try to buy a white comb as the nits are more easily seen). Some pharmacies stock detection combs. One type (Bug Buster® detection comb) is also available on prescription. You can also get them by mail order from: *Community Hygiene Concern* Tel: 01908 561928 Web: www.nits.net.

Parking

Please park responsibly when dropping off and collecting children and be aware of blocking residents’ driveways. The school drive should not be used for dropping off or turning as this endangers others. Please inform anyone dropping off or collecting your child.

Foundation 1 Advent Play

On Monday 18th December Foundation 1 will perform their Advent Play in the foundation unit at 11am. The morning children will stay all day and have a party lunch.

Cold Weather

Please ensure your child has appropriate warm clothing and footwear, at this time of year. Children should have a hat and gloves for outdoor playtimes. Please make sure names are in all items of clothing.

First Holy Communion

Parents wishing their child to receive First Holy Communion this year should contact Fr Evangelist at church. Baptised Catholic children from Y3 upwards are eligible but if your child is not baptised you can also speak to Fr Evangelist about this

Dates for your diary

Monday 8 th January 2018	Return to school
Thursday 11 th January	Y6 SATS & Residential + Parents meeting

Attendance last week

F2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
91.7%	94%	99%	99%	98.3%	92.3%	92%

Congratulations to Y3 again- Well done!

Next Week’s Dinner menu-Please note Change on Wednesday **Christmas Party Lunch on Wednesday is the only choice**

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		
Red	Pasta Bolognaise	Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Christmas Party lunch Assorted Sandwiches Sausage & Cheese Rolls Chips		
Yellow	Cheese Flan	Quorn Tortilla Stack			
Green	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings				
Blue- Sandwich	Tuna Mayo	Cheese			
	Garlic Bread/ Sliced Potatoes	Diced Potatoes			
	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables			
	Marble Sponge & Custard Strawberry Mousse	Flapjack & Custard Muffin			