



Love, live and learn with Jesus Christ.

3rd December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

God Who Speaks

In this Sunday's Gospel we hear about the work done by John the Baptist to prepare a way for the Lord. Try listening to this song as a family all about making the way ready for God: [Ready the way - YouTube](#)

"A voice cries in the wilderness; prepare a way for the Lord, make His paths straight." Luke 3

Wednesday Word

Please follow this link to enjoy this week's Wednesday Word as a family:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/preparation?pid=MTA101634&v=46.10>

St Nicholas Feast Day Mass

On Monday 6th December we will celebrate the feast day of St Nicholas, our patronal saint. It would be wonderful if you could join the whole school for Mass in church at 10am. Please note that all adults and all pupils in KS2 will be required to wear a face covering. It would be very helpful if pupils could bring their own face coverings as we only have a limited supply. Thank you.

Reverse Advent Calendar

Thank you to Reception and Year 1 for the donations of toiletries which came in this week.

For W.b. 6.12.21 it is the turn of Years 2, 3 and 4 to please donate tins and packets of non-perishable food and items such as tea bags, coffee and sugar. The Bethany Foodbank in Erdington is helping lots of individuals and families and your kind donations are greatly appreciated.

Mrs Jenns

Sadly, Mrs Jenns will be leaving St Nicholas at the end of this term. We thank Mrs Jenns for the significant contribution she has made to our school over the last six years. We wish Mrs Jenns the very best for the future and we hold her and her family in our prayers.

Arrangements for Mrs Jenns' replacement in Year 5 will be communicated shortly. There is no change to Mrs Griffiths' position in Year 5.

Nativity 2021

We look forward to welcoming those with tickets to the Nativity play on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th December. Please note, that in the interests of everyone's safety, face coverings will be required for all adults.

Please note, as per our recent communication, that you are permitted to take photographs and videos of the event **but that these must not be shared on social media.**

Guitar Concert

A reminder that there will be a concert at 2pm on Friday 10th December where pupils who have been having guitar lessons from Mr Fekete will showcase what they have learned so far. Parents are welcome to attend wearing a face covering. This does not affect Friday afternoon assembly.

PFA Christmas Disco

If your child is attending the disco on Thursday 9th December, they will be taken to the hall by their class teacher at the end of the day. Please pick them up at 5pm.

All children are invited to wear an item of festive clothing with their uniform on this day. This could be a Christmas jumper, hair band or a pair of socks!

School Fund

A few parents have asked about the School fund.

School fund is a voluntary contribution, so please do not feel under pressure if you are not in a position to contribute at this time. We are asking for £10.00 per child each term to help us buy the additional things we require in school that the usual school budget cannot stretch to.

This funding will be used to support pupils across the school in a range of ways, including; support with essential school provisions and additional classroom resources, contributions towards school trips and events, certificates, rewards, trophies and prizes for special events and additional play equipment and resources for outdoor activities at play and lunch times.

The 'school fund' can be found in the 'Payments-shop (shopping trolley icon)' section of the Parentmail app, please click on the school fund item which will move it to your 'Payments - To pay' section. If you need any support accessing the fund, please contact the office on 01213552649.

Amazon wish list books - a message from Miss Smith (English leader)

Thank you to everybody for your kind book donations from our Amazon wish list. Lots of the books have arrived and look fantastic! As you are all aware, we have spent a lot of money on quality texts for your child to enjoy at home. Please could you talk with your child about the importance of looking after these books as they will need to last a long time! Teachers will also reinforce this at school. Please also avoid putting your child's book in the same bag as their water bottle (or make sure it's sealed!)

If you wish to buy us a book (or two!) the links are below:

Year 6: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3UU3K80UZVS03?ref=wl_share

Year 5: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/35MELMNZEQXDI?ref=wl_share

Year 4: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1OUC54OLCGUF8?ref=wl_share

Year 3: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3H857MNDI9ADM?ref=wl_share

Year 2: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/EWBWJHRKWHTX?ref=wl_share

Year 1: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3U5HEYZSN9ROX?ref=wl_share

Reception: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1XTKQGAXRJ1BE?ref=wl_share

Phonics Home Links

Reception- 'h' 'sh' 'r' 'j'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/aXjIhjdX/rulTNaZJ>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/vbqYKj3U/uoDJnFMC>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Qv1xwT1b/lhOJXji4>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/EJikG100/oNYHPjZG>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6DmMpncV/dE0t34ZF>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/inOPQQ6i/O2etX1JP>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/IUAtuneN/pz7es74c>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/niWvTEFI/YcDBASEn>

Green group- 'ou'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/EiHvu3Aq/5lyS3FXu>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/RoJksa3f/zbCJ817k>

Pink group- 'ng' 'nk'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Evp9auhE/fqmV7wkO>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UMW8Ls9/1yNt2jPP>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/60dYXbbm/UrjUapsS>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/6kQmE9Lp/PcRXQMOB>

Yellow group- 'ir'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/9qa9fkly/pPoKiuyM>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/yGJWVBkv/t8QqNWQi>

Blue group- 'ee' 'ea'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/vJaK0eDY/Jdt5EP6i>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/U5Qs5n7d/9K9zb47V>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Yx1LWKcK/OsI4rmuU>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hK37mYLf/PZboWFST>

Grey group- 'ire' 'ear'

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/1tO3jw3d/3td1crio>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/TJohhsRt/MVeKem7H>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/rf7h7LJc/9Qa7tt6i>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/fW8JdS6i/kDNMuEqp>

Dates

6th December	Feast of St Nicholas - Mass at 10am in church - wear a red item
6th December	Y4 celebration of FHC day - official p/graphers in school
9th December	Virtual SEN coffee morning - (Please contact the office)
9th December	PFA Christmas Disco straight after school
10th December	Guitar Concert - 2pm
14th & 15th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity play - ticket only

God bless,

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Executive Principal

Mrs Noble-Barton
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