



Newsletter

St. Columba's Catholic Primary School

*Recognising every child is precious to God,
our vision is to provide an excellent Catholic Education*

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Advent at St Columba's: Prepare the Way

This Wednesday morning, the whole school came together to reflect what Advent means. The children in Reception helped us to build a beautiful wreath with each child adding a piece of greenery or a candle. Children from Year 4 told us about the meaning of each part of the wreath. Then we lit the first candle on each class' wreath and thought about HOPE. Every class added a Star of Hope to the Christmas tree.

Year 6 wrote, "Dear God, I pray to you for hope. I need hope when I'm lonely, I need hope when the sky is dark. I need hope and guidance through the day."

Year 4 wrote, "Dear Lord. We hope that during Advent, the world will be able to celebrate the birth of Jesus peacefully. We hope that there is an end to conflict around the world. We hope that the homeless are safe during this time. Amen"

It was lovely to have some parents with us. Please join us for the next two Advent prayers:

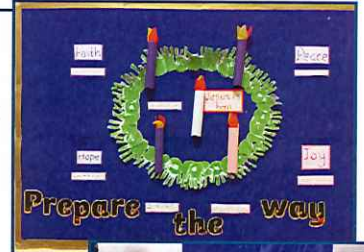
Monday 10th at 9:05 and Tuesday 18th at 9:05. You can come straight in to the hall after drop off.

Housepoints

- St Theresa - 555
- St Josephine - 539
- St Damian - 483
- St Vincent - 467

Golden Book

Samanta S,	Gosia B,	Calum J,	Adrian R,
Kaelen O,	Oliwier R,	Marcel W	Nathan L,
Harvey C,	Amelia R,	Owen B,	Ryan B,
Giorgi FT,	Julia B,	Danny K,	Natalie Ba,
Trina A,	Amelia J	Kevin EN,	Maciej S,
Jorja L,	Ebony G,	Noor A,	Olivier G,
Harley N,	Alan G,	Brandon B,	Ashton H,
Austeja M,	Oliwia G,	Natalie B,	Amy Rose M,
Bartosz T,	Thomas H,	Gabriela D,	Oliwia T,
Alanah M.			



School Open Morning:



On Monday 10th December, we will have an open morning in school. Please tell your family and friends who have children due to start school in 2019. It is a great chance for new parents to walk around the school and see lessons in action.

The open morning will run from 9-11. There will be a stay and play facility and refreshments available.

Dear God,

Pray for the people who are in the world this Christmas.

Not first for presents and snow,
but for a better world.

Pray for those who are struggling or
have no happiness,

That they will have a good Christmas.

And they will know God loves them.

Amen.

By Natalia L, Year 6



Attendance this week is at 94.25%.

Term Dates Please see our next page for the 2019/20 dates.

Stars of the Week

Ash	Ilia R	Chloe-Mai H
Oak	Lucas T	Sebastian L
Pine	Tai G	Emmanuel A
Beech	Kieran F	Samuel F
Cherry	Jorja L	Gabriela B
Willow	Maciej M	Patryk K
Maple	Isabella A	Nathaniel W
Hazel	Ella S	Michal L
Poplar	Ebony G	Agata K
Rowan	Dawid B	Marley A
Hawthorn	Calum J	Archie K
Sycamore	Viktoria A	Harvey B
Silver Birch	Blake FT	Thomas H
Horse Chestnut	Jakub P	Olivia W

DIARY DATES

December

- 10th - **Open Day** for new starters 2019 - 9.00-11.00am
- 13th - Carol Singing at Tong Medical Centre 10.45am-11.15am
- 13th - KS1 Performance for Parents 2.00pm - 1 Beech & 2 Cherry
- 13th - KS1 Disco 5:00-6:30pm
- 13th - KS2 Disco 7:00-8:30pm
- 14th - Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation for Save the Children)
- 14th - KS1 Performance for Parents 2:00pm-3:00pm - 1 Pine & 2 Willow
- 16th - Parish Christmas Sing-a-Long 12.30-2.30pm (in the school halls)
- 17th - EYFS Nativity 9.15am Eden AM & Nursery AM & Ash
- 17th - Carol Singing at Asda, Rooley Lane 1.30pm-2.00pm
- 17th - EYFS Nativity 2.00pm Eden Pm & Nursery PM & Oak
- 18th - Advent Assembly 9.05am (Parents Welcome)
- 18th - KS1 Christmas Crafts with Parents 2.00pm-3.00pm
- 19th - Christmas Dinner Day
- 19th - Yrs 3/4 Carol Concert in school 2.00pm
- 20th – Yrs 5/6 Carol Service - St Columba's Church 2:00pm-3:00pm
- 21st - KS2 Christmas Crafts with Parents 2.00pm-3.00pm
- 21st - School Closes for Christmas

January 2019

- 7th - School Re-opens
- 16th - Whole School Aladdin Panto at Alhambra Theatre 1.00pm-5.30pm
- 18th - Year 1 Toy Day

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Key

- Bank Holiday
- Occasional Day
- Training Day
- Other (i.e. Statutory)