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Dear Parents

Stars of the Week

Reception	Nicholas for some brilliant morning writing every day
St Cecilia	Johnny for excellent progress with Phonics
St Bernadette	Timothy for making great improvements to his writing and always presenting his work beautifully
St Anthony	Elisa for commitment to solo performance
St Christopher	Dexter for excellent work in DT building a steady hand game then supporting his peers to complete theirs
Good Disciples of the Week	

Reception	Mia for always cheering everyone up with her fun and jolly attitude
St Cecilia	Christopher for always having such lovely manners
St Bernadette	Liliana for demonstrating the school values at all times and being
	a kind friend to everyone
St Anthony	Whole Class for working very hard this term and an amazing
	performance
St Christopher	Isla-Rose for supporting her buddies in Reception so beautifully
	during the Christmas productions

Well done to you all.

Bethlehem B & B

What a great performance on Wednesday. The children performed with such enjoyment. It was so special over the time to see every child taking part and the way St Christopher's class were with Reception, guiding and encouraging.

Thank you to Mrs Gerrard for props, Mrs Boyle for her musical direction, all the teachers for their hard work and commitment, Learning Support Assistants for their work in supporting the children ensuring every child has taken part; a special mention to Mrs Hughes and Mrs Coone for operating the mixing desk and Mrs Dolan for costumes and acting as a runner. Behind the scenes Mr Atkins and Mrs Sandalls for all their work in ensuring everything runs smoothly.

Of course, a huge thank you to the children for their hard work and enthusiasm, they were all stars.

Windsor Castle

St Cecilia's class enjoyed a fantastic trip to Windsor Castle yesterday. They took part in an interesting morning learning all about the castle and were allowed to walk round the castle rooms. They even visited St George's Chapel to see the Queen's resting place. Thank you to all the helpers.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the recent poppy appeal. The collection total was £197.98.

Class Parties : Monday 18 December 2023 - Reminder

You will have received a letter giving details of the parties.

Mass

All are welcome to attend the final Mass of the term on Tuesday 19 December 2023 at 9.30 am in the school hall.

Carols in the Park

What a lovely event. The residents of Sir Aubrey Ward thoroughly enjoyed the singing before we made our way down to Riley Park. The tree and lights added a real sparkle! It was lovely to see ex-pupils, members of the community and parish as well as current families. Thank you to Mrs Jordan, Mr Watson, Mrs Boyle, Mr Boyle, Mr Bennis, Mr Gucumengil and Simon Tickner for erecting the tree and lights.

Hall Cleaners Required

The Pugin Halls of St Peter's Church need cleaning weekly. We are looking for someone to start ASAP. Please call 01628 483696 if you would like more details about times and rates.

Christmas Eve Readers

We are looking for readers and also a Mary and a Joseph for our 5.00 pm children's Mass. There is a wide variety of readings and younger readers can choose to write their own bidding prayer.

Children can come dressed as stars, angels, nativity animals. To get involved please contact Madeline via email @ <u>Madeline.ndoci@gmail.com</u> or WhatsApp 07896718094.

Children's Mass Bags

We have now cleaned and refreshed the Mass bags at the church for young children with Advent colouring books, nativity sets, and a selection of Christmas books. In each bag, there are a few different wooden characters of the nativity story and a request for children to draw the character(s). We will be adding more bags and more items to them in the lead up to Christmas.

Christmas Mass Times St Peter's Church

Christmas Eve: Children's Masses at 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm

Mass during the night: 9.00 pm preceded by carols at 8.30 pm

Christmas Morning: Mass 9.00 am and 11.00 am

The Marlow London Homeless Run

Christmas is yet again fast approaching and we are beginning to plan for our annual London Homeless Christmas handout.

We are holding our collection of new donated items for our Christmas bags on Saturday

16 December 2023 in the large hall at The Pugin Rooms from 11.35 am to 3.00 pm. During this time we will be collecting, sorting and making up Christmas bags which we will be, immediately following, travelling to London to distribute directly to those in need. As in previous years we are collecting any new donations of hats, gloves, scarves, underwear (including T-shirts), socks and toiletries (shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors and shaving gel). While, unfortunately, we are unable to collect any used items during our Christmas collection, please contact Sally on 07957451365 or any other members of the team if you have any items of used clothing, footwear, sleeping bags, rucksacks or holdalls that you would like to donate and collection will be arranged. Collection can also be arranged if you would like to donate to the Christmas appeal but are unable to attend to make your donation of new items on 16 December 2023

With many thanks for all your continued help and support.

Blessings to all and wishing you and your families a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

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End of Term

School closes at 1.45 pm on Tuesday 19 December 2023 and re-opens on Thursday 4 January 2024 at:-

8.40 am St Christopher's and St Anthony's and
8.45 am All other classes

I wish you all a happy and holy Christmas.

Yours sincerely

Miss A McCluskey Headteacher





