

Dear Parents and Carers,

Advent

The season of Advent begins on Sunday and it is always the most special time of year for us in school. We will have a whole school mass in Church at 9.30am and you are welcome to join us.

Christmas Fair

Our annual Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 14th December between 12-

3pm. There will be an own clothes day for children on Friday 13th December and there are more details on how you can help in this newsletter. We rely on our PTA fundraising to enhance opportunities for our children. Please do all you can to support.

Christmas Dates

Please take note of dates in this newsletter for Christmas dates and events. Only one week to the beginning of advent.

Car Park

The Church Car Park will be closed on Monday and possibly Tuesday to allow for deliveries for our builders. Please make sure that whoever is picking up or dropping off children are aware of these arrangements.

Year 1 Phonics Meeting

Thank you to everyone who came to our Year 1 Phonics and Information meeting. We hope you found it useful. Ms Frith will make the materials available to those who couldn't make it.

Santa Dash

Next Friday 6th December, we will have our annual Santa Dash in the school playground. Children are invited to wear a Santa hat or Christmas accessory for our dash around the playgrounds. Children are encouraged to bring a donation of £1 to school which will be used to support Caritas charities in our Diocese.

Baby Boom

We are delighted to share with you that we will be soon welcoming our 5th St. Monica's baby in recent times. Ms Frith is expecting and is due to give birth in April 2025. We know that you will join with us in wishing her all the best. Arrangements are being made to cover this maternity leave and details will be shared in the new year.

Ms Quigley

We are delighted to welcome back Ms Quigley to our Nursery who will begin her transition back from maternity leave on Monday and will join our teaching team of Ms Lavin, Mrs Hill and Mrs Hill. Welcome back Ms Quigley!

Take care and see you all through the week,

Mr Doherty





Headteacher's Awards this week. We have been so excited to have our Reception children with us this week for Friday assembly...

Well Done everyone. We are proud of you!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Reason for Award</u>
29/11/24	RL	Ruby	ALWAYS being respectful and ready during carpet times. Ruby has made enormous progress already this year by working hard and challenging herself! Well done Ruby!
	RP	Louis	For being kind and respectful, consistently in everything he does. Louis is a pleasure to have in Reception and an example to everybody.
	1B	Nevaeh	For always having a smile on her face and trying her hardest in everything she does!
	1/2F	George	For always being ready to learn and for trying his best.
	2CS	Luca	For working really hard in maths to understand the column method.
	3B	Piper	For trying very hard in every lesson.
	3/4C	Daniel	For putting 100% effort into all that he does and always being kind.
	3/4S	Theia	For always being a helpful member of class.
	5K	Evelina	For being an active participant in every lesson and a great team member.
	5/6B	Ava	Amazing progress, dedication and resilience in her Maths learning.
	5/6S	Liam	For a brilliant effort with his Maths this week.





This week's achievements...



Well done to these legends on their achievements out of school.
Well done boys and girls. We are proud of you!

Supporting Young People with Anxiety

A parent/carer training webinar taking place on Tuesday 3rd December at 3.30pm. The topic of this webinar is 'Supporting your young person to manage anxiety' and will take place on Teams. The Teams link to join the webinar is:

Microsoft Teams

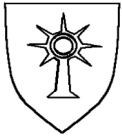
[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 348 317 718 902
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Kind regards

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Some dates for your diary (Please keep an eye on these as they will be updated throughout the term)

Tuesday 3rd December– 5K to St. Antony's: Soul singing 5.30pm

Wednesday 4th December– Whole School Advent Mass at 9.30am

Friday 6th December-Santa Dash (Details to follow)

W/B 9th December– Bikeability

Tuesday 10th December– Reception Nativity 10am and Nursery Nativity 2pm (both in school)

Wednesday 11th December– KS1 Nativity at 2pm in Church

Thursday 12th December– Christmas jumper/accessory day

18th December– Whole school mass at 9.30am

18th December– KS2 (Years 3-6) Carols in Church at 2pm (Please note that there is no evening performance this year.)

19th December– Christmas Parties

Friday 20th December-Children finish for Christmas Holidays

Monday 6th Jan 2025-Return to school-(Please see website for the term dates for the year.)

Thursday 6th February-Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Imagine That

Friday 14th February 2025– Children finish for half term

W/C 25.11.24

Whole school - 93.41%

Nursery - 97.67%

RL - 95.00%

RP - 90.43%

1B - 85.20%

1/2F - 95.00%

2CS - 93.45%

3B - 98.62%

3/4C - 90.00%

3/4S - 94.00%

5K - 86.92%

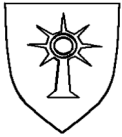
5/6B - 96.90%

5/6S - 96.13%

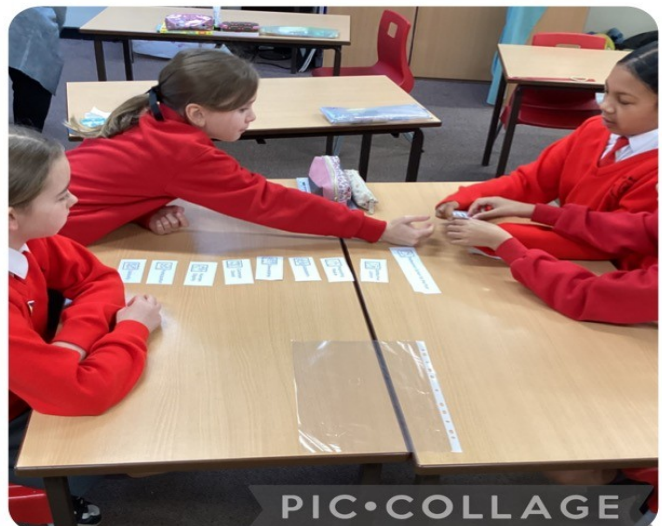
Attendance

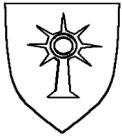
Well done to our Class 3B for the highest attendance this week. Great job! Illness appears to have taken its toll on our overall attendance this week.

Before the end of term, we will be reviewing individual attendance figures and identifying persistent absence so that we can look to find solutions for this. Clarity has been given to schools on lots of areas in regards to attendance. What is very clear is that holidays during term time are not permitted and schools will have a duty to report to the local authority with fines ensuing. Please do refer to our holiday dates when booking holidays as unauthorized holidays will be reported to the local authority.



We had David from CAFOD in to visit us this week, who worked with us to teach us about Catholic Social Teaching and how important it is for us all to work for justice and peace in our own communities as well as our wider world. Thank you Ms Keville for organizing and to David for a brilliant day.



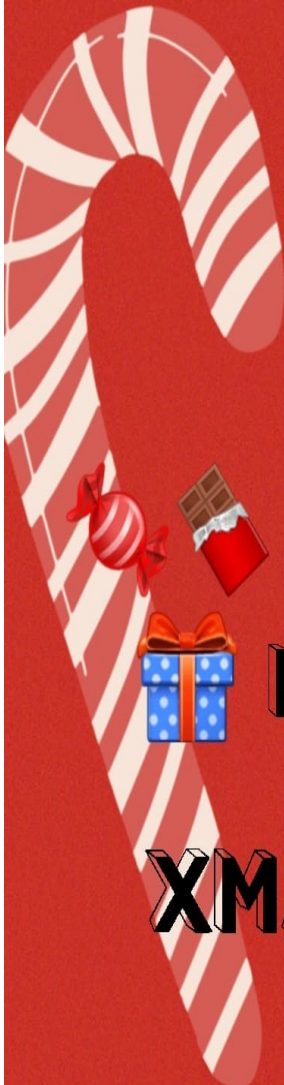


St. Monica's RC Primary School

The child is at the centre of everything we do.

29.11.24

WE NEED YOU



PRIZES

BOTTLES

SWEETS CHOCOLATE



LADIES & MENS GIFTS

XMAS FAIR SAT 14TH DEC

CAN YOU HELP WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE.

PLEASE DROP OFF WITH MRS HILL IN

NURSERY OR THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

PIC•COLLAGE





OWN CLOTHES DAY
Friday 13th December

Please support our
Christmas fair by wearing
your own clothes.



Children wearing their own clothes are asked for a donation towards the fair:

Nursery and Reception: 🍭

Chocolates/sweets (for chocolate tombola)

Year 1 and Year 2: 📺

Ladies gifts (for gift room)

Year 3 and Year 4: 📺

Gents gifts (for gift room)

Year 5 and Year 6: 🍷

Bottles (for bottle tombola, unopened please)

We also welcome donations of cakes and good quality toys & books for our stalls.

No bric-a-brac thank you.

If anyone can volunteer for an hour at the fair, help to set up on Friday afternoon, or if you are able to donate any raffle prizes, please contact

**Amanda on
amanda4hill@yahoo.co.uk
07827 328541.**





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Thank you so much. Just 1 day to go!**