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CATHOLIC LIFE

Nativities and Class Rejoices

What a privilege it has been this week to watch all of the wonderful Nativities and Rejoices across the school. Thank you to all of the staff and children for their hard work preparing and performing these wonderful celebrations. Thank you to all of the families who had made these so special by making the time to celebrate with us and for the generous donations too.

On Thursday, Year 4 visited Sacred Heart to watch their Nativity, which was excellent and took home decorations to make.

Advent Masses

Our final Advent Mass at 8am with Fr John is next Wednesday 17th December at 8am. All families and parishioners are welcome.

CAFOD Advent Calendar

CAFOD's Advent calendar emails offer daily prayers and reflections through your Advent journey, alongside information about ways in which you and your family can support CAFOD's ongoing activities. Sign up at:

<https://cafod.org.uk/pray/advent-calendar>

Wednesday Word

This week's Wednesday Word is a four-week holiday special with the words, 'Christ', 'Mary', 'Joseph and 'Hope'. Please take some family time each week to read it. Please visit our Catholic Life > Catholic Life and Mission page.

<https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission>

Christmas Mass Times

These are the Christmas Mass times at SS Peter and Paul's:

Christmas Eve 7pm and Midnight

Christmas Day 10.30am

Boxing Day 12noon.

Catholic Pic

This month's Catholic Pic can be read on our Catholic Life > Our parishes and Archdiocese page or at:

https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_december_2025

Pope Leo's Monthly Prayer Intention

Pope Leo's monthly prayer intention for December is for Christians in areas of conflict. *Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and peace.* Pope Leo XIV 2025. Pope Leo XIV's video is on Our Catholic Life > Prayer, Liturgy and Jubilee page: <https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/prayer%2C-liturgy-%26-jubilee>

Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:

St Helen's: Sunday 10am

SS Peter and Paul

Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am

St Joseph's

Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

Diary Dates

December

Mon 15th: Christmas Party Day
– non-uniform day

Tues 16th: Santa Dash

Foodbank collection

NBW and KS1 Storytime with Santa

Wed 17th: 8am Advent Mass

NEW and Storytime with

Santa Christmas Dinner &

Christmas Jumper Day

6pm: Sacred Heart Carols by

Candlelight at SS Peter and

Paul's

Thu 18th: KS2 Film Afternoon

Fri 19th: End of Term 1.30pm

January

Mon 5th: INSET Day

Tue 6th: Start of Term

Wed 14th: 6pm Y6 Parents and

carers SATs/Residential

Meeting

February

Tue 3rd: 10am/2pm Y1

Candlemas classes TBC

Thu 5th: 9am 2M Rejoice

Tue 10th: 9am RFZ and 4B

Rejoices

Wed 11th: 9am 3C Rejoice

3.30pm-5pm Parents'

Evening

Thu 12th: 3.30pm-7pm

Parents' Evening

Christmas Badges

As we are a Live Simply school, we encourage children not to send Christmas cards to each other, but to look after our common home to make and wear badges with a Christmas image for a charity donation for £1. The badge machine will be around school next week too.

Eco Council – Ten Ways to Be Eco-Friendly at Home – 9. Help our common home

The Eco Council encourages us help our common home, by choosing to buy second-hand items from charity shops and to learn to repair rather than replace items to reduce unnecessary waste.

South Sefton Foodbank Collection

On Tuesday 16th December we shall be collecting for South Sefton Foodbank. They particularly need: toiletries; chocolate selection boxes; tins of salmon, tomatoes and potatoes, noodles and gravy granules.

NHS Website

There are a number of seasonal illnesses around at the moment. Sefton Council have asked us to share this NHS guide for parents and carers. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> There is also a link on our Key Info > Attendance page.

Reception Request for Phones

If anyone has any old mobile phones/old fashioned dial phones, please could Reception have them for their roleplay corners. Thank you.

Sacred Heart's Carols by Candlelight

Sacred Heart's Carols by Candlelight is at 6pm on Wednesday 17th December in SS Peter and Paul's. Contact the school office for tickets: Tel: 0151 931 2971 or Email: admin@shca.pfcmat.org

Fundraising

Thank you for all your support of the PTA Christmas Fair. Dexter in Year 3 raised an amazing £123 by selling bracelets that he made at home. Miss Sharrock raised £130 for CAFOD in her 'Soak the Santa' stocks. She will be running in the London Marathon next year to fundraise for CAFOD.



Attachments

This week's attachment has a flyer for Christmas tree collection from St Joseph's Hospice, Sefton ADDvanced Solutions Community Network and Sefton Immunisation Team.