

Great Crosby Catholic Primary School

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This Week

It's been another busy week! On Monday, all of Year 4 enjoyed Computing programming sessions with Jo Hodge of Digital Schoolhouse, coding our Micro:bits to display Mayan hieroglyphs. On Tuesday and Wednesday, EYFS and KS1 enjoyed 'Storytime with Santa' in our Forest School. Tuesday was also our Santa Dash, Christmas dinner and jumper day. Party day was on Wednesday. Congratulations to all our Stars of the Term who received Plaza Cinemas tickets as their reward today. Thank you again to all our lovely parents and carers for everything you do to help support the school, especially the PTA and to all of our hardworking staff and governors too. WE truly are very lucky to have such a great partnership working together for our fabulous children.

Just a reminder that all children have received a Go Forth prayer card to write their Christmas promise on. They can leave these at any of the cribs in our churches over the Christmas period. Please do take time out of your busy holiday break to find time to visit church at some time. The children's Rejoices, services and Nativities have all helped remind us of what Christmas is all about.

Christmas blessing to you all. Mass times can be found below.

CATHOLIC LIFE

Rejoices and Christmas liturgies

Well done to 2WB, 1D and 3CL who presented their Rejoice celebrations beautifully to their parents and carers. On Thursday we thought about 'Gifts that you can't see' – love, peace and shelter, in our Christmas liturgies.

Christmas Masses

Ss Peter and Paul's - Christmas Eve at 7pm and midnight; Christmas Day at 10.30am

St Helen's - Christmas Eve at 8pm and Christmas Day at 10am.

St Joseph's - Christmas Eve at 10pm and Christmas Day at 11.15am.

First Holy Communion Badge Competition

All the Year 5 children who are making their First Holy Communion in the Spring have been given an entry form template to design a badge to commemorate the special day. The competition is for the whole Archdiocese and the winning design will be made into a badge that will be given to everyone making their First Holy Communion next Spring. Children should bring their entries by Mon 20th Jan.

Carol Concert

Fri 20th Dec – St Joseph's Church 7pm Crosby Community Choir's annual carol concert of Christmas favourites and seasonal readings. £5 for adults including punch and a mince pie. There will be a retiring collection in aid of Zoe's Place.

Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:
St Helen's: Sunday 10am
Ss Peter & Paul
Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am
St Joseph's
Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

Diary Dates

January

Mon 6th – INSET Day
Tue 7th – Children return
Fri 17th – Y4 Chester Trip
Thu 23rd – 6JL and 6M to
Liverpool Cathedral
Fri 24th – 6R and 6T to
Liverpool Cathedral
Tue 28th – 9am 6JL Rejoice
Wed 29th – 9am 4D Rejoice

February

Tue 11th – 9am 3A Rejoice
Wed 12th – 9am 2E Rejoice
Thu 13th – 9am RG Rejoice
Mon 17th – Fri 21st Half
Term Holiday

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word is a special edition covering Advent and Christmas. Please take some time to read it on our Catholic Life > Catholic Life and Mission page. <https://greatcrobycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission>

Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention

Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention for December is for Pilgrims of Hope, which is the theme for next year's Jubilee. *Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.* Pope Francis – December 2024
Find out more at <https://www.popesprayer.va/december-prayer-intention-2024/>

Catholic Pic

The latest edition of the Catholic Pic can be read on our Parish and Archdiocese page or https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_december_2024

Cleaning Vacancy

If anyone is interested in a cleaning post, please contact Danielle at Sefton Cleaning on 07929 783336.

South Sefton Foodbank

Thank you for your donations to the South Sefton Foodbank on Wednesday. They were gratefully collected on Thursday.

Whitechapel Centre Christmas Appeal

Thank you for helping us to support the Whitechapel Centre's Christmas Appeal with your donations. On Thursday, John from the Whitechapel Centre came to collect a trolley-full of gifts and a cheque for £425.33.

Reception September 2025 School Tours

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2025, the deadline for applications is 15th January using the Sefton Citizens Portal. Visit our Key Info > Admissions page.

<https://greatcrobycatholicprimary.com/admissions>

Breakfast Club

Please ensure that Breakfast Club payments are up-to-date. They are due in the first week of each month. Payments can be made by bank transfer, in vouchers or cash.

All About STEM Christmas Projects

The All About STEM website has lots of creative science and technology projects to try at home in the lead up to Christmas. Visit: <https://www.allaboutstem.co.uk/2024/11/christmas-stem-recommended-activities/>

Attachment

All previous attachments are on our Parents/Carers > Letters page.
<https://greatcrobycatholicprimary.com/letters>