

ST CLEMENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 21st December 2017

THE NATIVITY KEY STAGE 1

The children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 presented their very musical and entertaining nativity play last week, sharing the story of the birth of Our Lord. The performances were fabulous and greatly appreciated by all as they sang, signed with Makaton, acted and played percussion with great enthusiasm.

A special thanks to all the staff for their hard work in preparing the children to be able to sing and perform in front of the large audiences with such confidence.

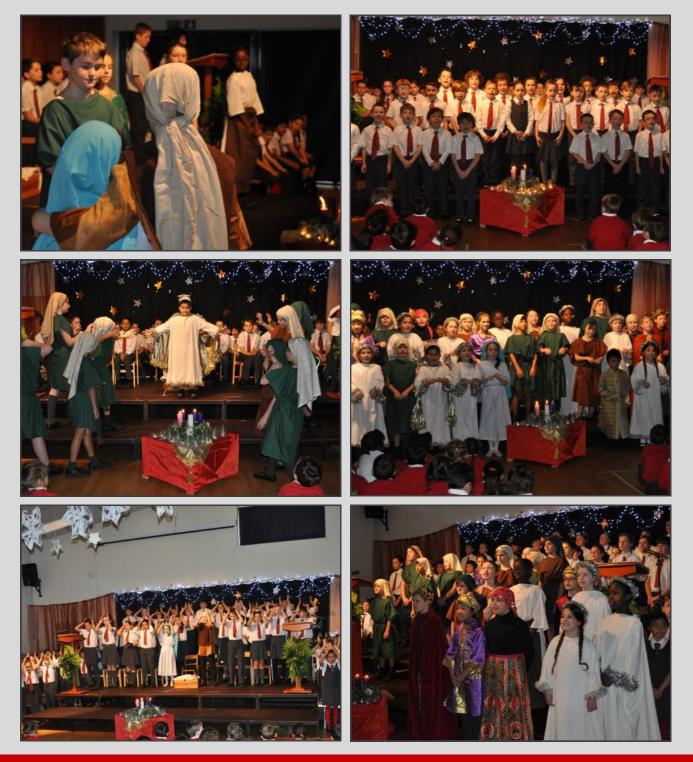


SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN AT THE USUAL TIME ON THURSDAY 4th JANUARY 2018

ADVENT SERVICE

The Key Stage 2 Advent Services this week were simply beautiful. The readings intertwined with the Nativity story were so poignant – along with the singing and acting, the services truly helped us all with our preparation for Christmas.

Special thanks to all staff for planning such meaningful and thought provoking words and carols and for giving all the children the opportunity to take part in such a special service over the two evenings.



YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS AT THE NATIVITY AND ADVENT SERVICES HAVE RAISED THE HUGE SUM OF £953.46 FOR THE ST CLEMENT'S SCHOOL FUND. THANKYOU!

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A huge thankyou to Miss Clare, Miss Gilyan, Miss Dawn and Miss Zaira for cooking such a delicious Christmas lunch on Wednesday which was thoroughly enjoyed by pupils and staff. We were treated to roast turkey with all the trimmings and chocolate and butterscotch mousse with shortbread biscuits to follow.

The following pupils were presented with gifts by the kitchen staff for their politeness at mealtimes;

Ruby Meeson, Logan Dane, Henry Ward and Donnie Gibb



ANCHOR BOOK WINNERS

Congratulations to the following children who received Headteacher Awards at our recent Anchor Assembly;

Year 6	Isaac Matthews and Jackson Palmer
Year 5	Kai Cattell-Marasigan and Mary Eburne
Year 4	Hannah Lynch and Mikey Silke
Year 3	Charlotte Laister and Star Fox-Buchanan
Year 2	Scarlett Yates and Logan Dane
Year I	Frankie Palmer and Amelie Barron
Reception	Emma Durance and Joseph Bedford

BOOK PRIZES

The following children have been awarded book prizes for their hard work and positive attitude this term. Our book prizes are awarded termly by each class teacher to one child who they think has gained confidence, self-esteem and shown resilience and determination to succeed. This award is only given once in your child's career at St Clement's.

Reception: **Aaliyah Davis-Richards** Year 2: **Henry Hepburn** Year 4: **Archie Charge** Year 6: **Franci Buczek** Year 1: **Amy Delishi** Year 3: **Megan Dulwich** Year 5: **Lola Barreiro Tuke**

100% ATTENDANCE

Certificates were awarded at the end of term assembly to pupils who achieved 100% attendance this term. We thank parents for their on-going support in helping the children to achieve good school attendance.

SKIPPING WORKSHOP

On Friday 5th January we have a Skipping Workshop booked for the whole school. 'Skip2bfit' run workshops to encourage children to be more active during the school day. Our aim is that all children will have the opportunity to improve their skipping skills and their fitness during break times. The children will be given the opportunity on the day, and throughout break times, to improve their 'personal best' scores.

As all children will be involved at various point during the day we would like the children to wear tracksuit bottoms, a sweatshirt and trainers to school for the day.

A HUGE THANKYOU!

We would like to offer our thanks to the wonderful Friends of St Clement's for organising so many fun activities recently. The Christmas Fair, Quiz Night, Gift Room and Cinema Night have all been such fun occasions and have raised so much money for St Clement's. The Christmas Fair raised over **£5,260** and we would like to thank all those involved for generating such a large amount of money for the school funds.

SCHOOL CHOIR ON THE RADIO

Some of our school community gathered in the hall on Thursday of last week to listen to the first airing of the choir's recording of 'Gabriel's Message' on BBC Surrey Radio. We were all so proud and delighted to have had our recording chosen to be aired.

IMPORTANT DATES

Please note the following dates for the Spring Term 2018. Some of these may be subject to change.

DATE	EVENT
Friday 5 January	Skipping Workshop
Monday 15 January	Guitar Assembly
Thursday 18 January	SATs information meeting for Years 2 & 6 parents (6.45pm)
Friday 2 February	Reception Assembly
Tuesday 6 February	Internet Safety Day
Tuesday 6 February	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 7 February	Parents' Evening
Friday 9 February	Break up for Half Term (normal finish time)
Monday 19 February	INSET Day (Staff Training)
Tuesday 20 February	Pupils return to school
Friday 2 March	World Book Day
Friday 2 March	Year 1 Assembly
Friday 9 March	Year 6 Young Citizens Event
Monday 26 March	Easter Service (2.30pm)
Tuesday 27 March	Four Nations Rugby Tournament
Thursday 29 March	Break up for Easter (1.30pm)



ASTHMA SPACERS

If your child has an asthma spacer at school, it will be given back to them today to be washed.

Please ensure it is returned again, clean, on the first day of term.

SCHOOL DINNERS

The cost of school dinners for next **half term** will be **£60.75** payable via Parentmail. Any changes in the new term from packed lunch to school dinners or vice versa requires a week's notice to the School Office.

TERM DATES

Term dates for the rest of this academic year are available on the school website along with the dates for 2018-2019 which have now been finalised.

ONLINE SAFETY

Would all parents of children in Key Stage 2 please look out for a separate Parentmail highlighting the importance of online safety and to find time to look at the attachment which will help encourage safe online habits, particularly at this time of year when your child may be exposed to new technology.

SCHOOL CLUBS SPRING 2018

The new timetable of School Clubs has been sent to you via Parentmail. While most of the clubs remain the same as last year, there are two new additions; **Basketball Club** on **Wednesday mornings BEFORE SCHOOL** and a **new Yoga and Mindfulness Club** on Fridays after school. **Please contact clubs directly** for further information, to register and pay for your child and not the School Office.

Contact details are available on the timetable which will also shortly be available on the school website.

Friends of St Clement's

A MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who came to support the School Fair. Without your time, effort, support and donations we would not be able to raise so much money for the school which all our children will benefit from.

Merry Christmas,

The Friends of St Clement's

AND FINALLY...

Thankyou for all your kind wishes and gifts that the staff have received, they are very much appreciated.

We wish everyone a happy and holy Christmas holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.