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NEWSLETTER: 30th November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Sunday sees the start of Advent. We will start this special season with a whole school mass on Tuesday 4th December. All our parents/carers are warmly welcome to join us. The focus of our Advent journey will be Getting Ready for Jesus. We will be thinking about the story of the birth of Jesus and comparing it to the stories of those who have had to flee their own countries to find safety. We will be asking for the courage and strength to continue to support those in most need. The children will be bringing an Advent Calendar home to share with you. Please take the time to read and share the activities as a family as you journey through this season of Advent together.



ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Our target this year is 97.5%.
Well done to **Year 3** who are our attendance champions this week!

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	91.72%
Yr1	96.67%
Yr2	97.24%
Yr3	98.62%
Yr4	96.33%
Yr5	90%
Yr6	95.33%
Whole School	95.43%

PUNCTUALITY

Thank you to all those children who have been on time again all this week, extra team points for you!

Thought for the Week:

Make our choices and then our choices make us.

THIS WEEK'S WINNING TEAM IS: BLUE

Well done! Only 3 more weeks to Christmas and the final team totals for this term. Keep up the great efforts!

CONGRATULATIONS

HRSA Singer of the Week: Grace, Yr5

The children will be taking part in the Leeds Children's Cathedral Choir Concert on Tuesday 11th December in Wheeler Hall, 5.30pm-6pm. Everyone is welcome to join us!

PRESENTATION MASS

On Sunday 25th November, Feast of Christ the King, there was a special presentation mass for our children who are taking part in the preparation programmes for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Our wonderful choir helped to lead some of the singing and were made to feel very welcome by the parish. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the children, especially the staff and Miss Egan, our Choral Director.

APPOINTMENTS

May we remind all parents that any routine appointments such as, opticians, dentist, routine GP appointments etc must be taken outside of school time. Any emergency or unavoidable appointments can be authorised if an appointment card or letter is seen by Miss Lewis in the Office.

Year of The Virtues

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DECEMBER

Sun 2nd First Sunday of Advent

Mon 3rd Yr6 Whole school Collective
Worship

Tues 4th Whole School Advent Mass, 9.15
at Holy Rosary Church

Wed 5th Full Governing Body meeting,
6pm

Thurs 6th Reconciliation Preparation
Programme starts, 3.30pm

Fri 7th Reconciliation Service, 2.00pm

Sat 8th Dementia Friendly Carol Service,
Leeds Cathedral at 3.00pm

Sun 9th Carol Service at Leeds Cathedral
4pm followed by Festive Drinks in
Wheeler Hall

Mon 10th Leeds Cathedral Choirs Carol
Concert at 1.00pm, Leeds Town Hall

Tues 11th Second Round of Sportshall
Indoor Athletic Competition, 10.45am
Christmas Pantomime – Cinderella, 2pm
Leeds Children Cathedral Christmas
Concert, Wheeler Hall 5.30-6.00pm

Thurs 13th Christmas Jumper Day and
Christmas Dinner
Santa's Grotto, 3.45pm

Sun 16th Holy Rosary Church Carol Service,
4.00pm

Wed 19th EYFS & KS1 Nativity Plays,
2.00pm and 6.30pm

Thurs 20th Christmas Party Day for all
classes

Final Celebration Assembly, 9.30am

Fri 21st HRSA Carol Service at 2.00pm

Mon 24th BBC Radio 4 Live Midnight Mass
Broadcast, 11.30pm, Leeds Cathedral. Be
a part of the congregation or listen at:

www.bbc.co.uk/radio4

FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION

The preparation programme starts next
week, Thursday 3.30pm in school.

CHAMPIONS DEFEND THEIR TITLE

Congratulations to Team HRSA who have
made it through to the second round of
the Sportshall Indoor Athletics
Competition. Well done to all the
athletes who were an absolute credit to
themselves and the school. Well done
also to Miss Begley and Mr Esteves who
have been coaching them. Round Two is
11th December. Good luck!

GOSPEL CHOIR – FIRST PERFORMANCE!

Our newly formed Gospel Choir have
been invited to take part in a Dementia
Friendly Carol service at St Anne's
Cathedral on Saturday 8th December,
3.00pm. Everyone is invited to join us!

ADMISSION TO PRIMARY 2019

If your child was born between 1
September 2014 and 31 August 2015?
Primary school places, it's time to apply
for Reception!

If your child is due to start primary school
in September 2019 you should apply for a
place from 1 November 2018. The
deadline for applying is 15 January 2019.
Even if your child is attending a school
nursery or other early years provision or
you have children at school already you
must still apply for a place.

You need to make your application online
at www.leeds.gov.uk If you need any
more information please contact the
admissions team on 0113 222 4414.

If you require help with the application
process, please contact school on 0113
3368433 or visit the main office to book
an appointment with Miss Lewis who can
help you to apply.

Thank you for your continued support and
have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

E. McDonagh-Smith

Head Teacher