Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter

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Friday 9th December 2016



Sharing our Faith

On Sunday, we will celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent which is also known as Gaudete Sunday which means JOY. It is a time to pause in our preparations for Christmas and think about the JOY which is to come and which Jesus brought.

A prayer to share

God of Love,
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.
He is a sign of your love.
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,
As we wait and prepare for his coming.
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Saviour.
Amen.

Building Developments

Exciting changes are happening to our school building. The former children's centre is currently being converted into a new nursery provision. This will provide a nursery with its own entrance and outdoor area.

After Christmas, our nursery classes will move into this building. Class10 and 11 will move into the former nursery classrooms while their two classrooms are knocked into one to form a large reception classroom.

When the building work is completed, there will be four large reception classrooms and a discreet, self contained nursery.

Nursery will return after Christmas on Monday 9th January and will arrive from Pilch Lane, down the side path to nursery. Opening and closing times will not change.





Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th December Reception Advent Service

Tuesday 13th December Y2 Christmas Crafts

CHANGE OF DATE Thursday 15th December Y1 Advent Service

Friday 16th December
Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper
Day

Friday 16th December Year 2 Disco

Sunday 18th December Carol Service in Church

Tuesday 20th December Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Party Day

> Wednesday 21st December 12.00 Finish for Christmas Holidays

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School Attendance Matters This week's attendance Our target for attendance is 95%.

Class 1	93.8	Class 7	91.3
Class 2	99	Class 8	93.3
Class 3	95.2	Class 9	95.8
Class 4	93	Class 10	93
Class 5	90.3	Class 11	94
Class 6	94	Class 12	90

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 9
Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 6
Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 2

Punctuality is Important

If your child is late for school, they often feel unsettled for the rest of the day. They may have missed important teaching from their class teacher.

Monday	9	
Tuesday	13	
Wednesday	13	
Thursday	14	
Friday	21	
Total children late	70	

Ten minutes lost in learning each day does not sound a lot but it adds up quickly. Ten minutes is almost an hour a week, which over an average six week half term is over a whole day of learning. Over a year this becomes a whole week of learning that has been lost. The first ten minutes of the day is when the learning for the day begins.

Please don't put your children at a disadvantage and be on time!