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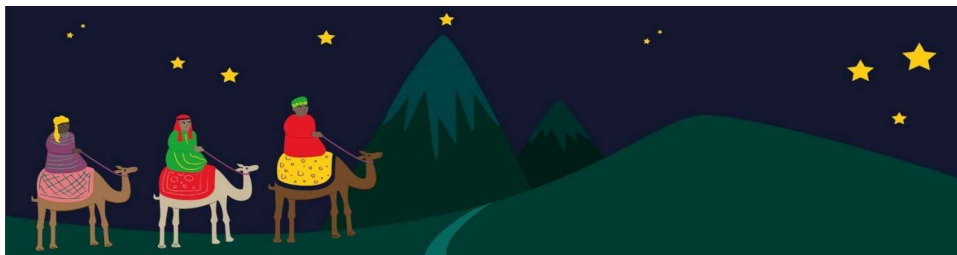
## **Holy Family Weekly Newsletter 15.12.2023**

### ***We follow in Jesus' footsteps***

Holy Family Church

Fr Peter Draper

Tel: 01772 725193



**Loving Father**

**we remember the Christ child asleep in the manger.**

**May we be wrapped in Your love,**

**given rest from our worries**

**and know the joy of the gift of Jesus**

**Amen**

***The staff and governors at Holy Family Catholic Primary School would like to wish all pupils and parents a very happy and holy Christmas with every blessing for the New Year!***

**Thank you everyone**

**As always, thank you parents and families for your continued support this year - it really does make a difference to our Holy Family school community.**



#### **Star of the Week Awards**

YR - Aibel & Joanna

Y1 - Whole Class

Y2 - Whole Class

Y3 - Grace & Ruby

Y4 - Oscar & Deina

Y5 - Isaac & Ethan

Y6 - Sam & Ahmad



#### **Good Samaritan Awards**

YR - Erik

Y1 - Imogen

Y2 - Holy

Y3 - Sarah

Y4 - Jake

Y5 - Charlie

Y6 - Anton

### This week in school

This week in school has been so special and enjoyable for everyone with the lovely Nativity and Carols around the Christmas Tree. The children have reminded us of the joy Jesus brings to the world.

We have also enjoyed an exciting visit from Cookie Dough and Dancer - two magical reindeers!



### ATTENDANCE

This week:

Reception - 85%, Year 1 - 87.5%, Year 2 - 92.8%, Year 3 - 92.8%, Year 4 - 91.2%, Year 5 - 95.4%, Year 6 - 88.5%

Our school attendance target is 96% but pupils should strive for 100% attendance wherever possible. **Holidays during term time will not be authorised.** When a child is absent, unauthorised, for 5 days or more a penalty notice will be issued by Lancashire County Council.

If you child is unwell or is going to be absent from school for any reason please telephone the school office on 01772 727471 and leave a voicemail on the absence reporting line, option 1, before 9am.

## Dates for your Diary

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – **Holy Family Day** – a special day in school to celebrate the Holy Family.
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - **Reception** Crafty Afternoon from 1:45pm - parents welcome.
- Tuesday 19th Dec – **Nursery** parents stay and play morning – Mrs Bromby will allocate time slots.
- Tuesday 19th Dec - **Year 3 & Year 4** Carols around the Christmas Tree @ 9:15am and 3:15pm.
- Wednesday 20th Dec - **Christmas Dinner Day - wear something Christmassy.**
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – **Book sale for CAFOD** – 3:15pm in the school hall.
- Thursday 21st December – **Whole School Mass** Holy Family Church @ 9:15am. Parents welcome.
- Thursday 21st December - **School Closes @ 1:15pm.**
- Friday 22nd December – **INSET day**, children at home.
- Monday 8th Jan - All pupils **return to school @ 8:40am.**

Christmas Dinner Day on Weds 20th Dec - We have ordered enough Turkey/Quorn for everyone to have a dinner if they want one. Children should order on the day, chargeable lunches will then be added to SCOPAY. On this day there will not be any other menu option other than turkey/quorn Christmas dinner. If your child does not like roast dinners please send them with a packed lunch.

On the occasions that children are invited to wear something "Christmassy" please do not feel that you need to buy something new. Anything with a bit of sparkle, tinsel or Christmas colours will be perfect.

We hope that the activities we have planned, will make this very special season of Advent extremely special and memorable for children and parents.

Book Sale raising funds for CAFOD Israeli – Palestinian Crisis Appeal – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 3:15pm in the school hall. All donations of books for our book sale will be gratefully received.

