



With only just over three weeks left of this term, I can't believe how fast this year has flown. Advent begins this Sunday and we will be holding an Advent Mass in school on Tuesday, which because of the technology afforded to us, will be live streamed to everyone in school and to parents and grandparents too. Please join us at 2pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> to begin this wonderful season of Advent, a time of waiting and preparing.



## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to all of the children who made their First Holy Communion this year. We were lucky enough to have a couple of them come into school to have their photograph taken by Tempest.

For those parents, whose children will be making their First Holy Communion this academic year, the first meeting is this Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 6pm at St Joseph's Church. This meeting is for parents only.

## **PARISH INFORMATION**

If you wish to know what is going on in the parish please follow this link:

<https://sacred-heart-rc-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/holy-family-parish-bulletin/>

## **PARENT CONSULTATIONS**

Next week is the beginning of our parent consultations. You have all been allocated a day and a time when you will be contacted by the class teacher to discuss your child. The number may be withheld due to the school only having two phone lines so teachers may be using their personal mobiles. Please answer it if it is the day and approximate time of your appointment.

Due to these taking place, the following after school clubs, run by class teachers, will be cancelled next week:

Art

Dance

Netball

Girl's Football

Boy's Football

Tag Rugby

## **PARENT SURVEY**

I always welcome feedback from you, as parents, about ways in which we can make things even better for your child at Sacred Heart so next week I will be sending out a link for a parental survey for you to complete. Please watch out for it on Dojo.

## **CHILDREN IN NEED DAY**

Thank you for your overwhelming generosity. We raised a staggering £450 for Children in Need and the Diocesan Youth Ministry.

## **TEA TOWELS**

Back in September your child drew a picture of themselves and we have had them printed onto tea towels for anyone to purchase. There are quite a few budding artists in our classes, I'm sure you will agree. If you wish to purchase a tea towel, please pay the amount required on Scopay before returning the slip to school. We require both the slip and the payment on Scopay to order the tea towels for you.

## **ILLNESS**

If your child is absent you must phone the school office before 10am on the first day they are off. You will need to continue to inform us that your child won't be in school, each morning.

## **COATS**

Please ensure your child brings a coat to school – even on their PE days. The weather has changed and, although the children may run about at playtime, it is still too cold to not wear a coat.

## **POP UP SWAP SHOP**

Thank you for all who organised, manned and came along to our very first Pop Up Swap Shop; it was a resounding success. We will hold one of these each half term and you are very welcome to come and take an item of clothing, even if you don't have one to swap. This means that less uniform goes into landfill! We have a uniform donations crate in the porch so please pop any unwanted uniform into a bag and then into our crate. If you do donate any uniform can you please remove your child's name before you bring it into school or if it turns up in lost property, it will be returned to the child named on the label.

## GATES

When dropping your child off at the gate opposite St Luke's Church can you please wait near to the fence. Adults and children are having to step onto the road in order to get past. If we can keep the pavement as free as possible it means that there is room for people to walk past.

On a morning, I am on duty at the KS 1 gate but may walk a child into class at times. If I, or another adult, are not on the gate please watch your child walk across the yard so that they know they are in school safely.

## CHRISTMAS ITEM DAY

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, children will be allowed to wear a Christmas item with their uniform; this could be a Christmas jumper, tinsel in their hair or something else chosen by your child.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

W/b 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Consultation meetings
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 4 Theatre Trip – The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Wear a Christmas item day.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 to attend Peter Pan at Hartlepool Sixth Form College - more details to follow.
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	School closes for Christmas
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	School re-opens

Items in red are new this week.

Thank you for your continued support.



Mrs A. Howell  
Headteacher

As promised, photos from the Reception Nursery Rhymes Day. I am sure you will agree with me, that they look wonderful.

