

St. Herbert's RC Primary School

Autumn Term

15th December 2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a lovely half-term, including preparations for Christmas in our season of Advent. The children were a credit to the parents and the teachers in their various performances, and we thank you for your attendance and your lovely comments of support and praise.

Roadworks

Various roadworks have been and continue to be carried out over the next few months, some of which we receive information and others we don't.

Today we have received the following notice below, for your information:

"PROJECT: MCF Chadderton Broadway to Freehold Tram Station SUBJECT – Notice of Construction

*I write to in relation to the above-named scheme which is commencing on
09th January 2023 and will completed in several phases before the **end of Spring 2023.***

Following the public consultation, the Mayor's challenge Fund (MCF) have awarded funding to Oldham Council to upgrade of the existing pedestrian and cycle route between Broadway through to Freehold tram station to provide better connectivity, by improving the existing footpath, improved drainage, upgrading the street lighting, creating a safer route, and preventing anti-social behaviour.

The route will be from Broadway, along the footpath adjacent to Crossley Playing Fields, on to Rochester Way, left onto Glenby Way, left on to Denton Lane, crossover a new Zebra crossing, leading on to Robinson Street up to Freehold Tram Station.

During the construction phase, there may be pedestrian diversions in place around Crossley Playing Fields which will be clearly sign posted to facilitate the safe working and pedestrian safety. "

Staffing

Miss Chadderton has returned back to school following her maternity leave; after Christmas she will be job-sharing with Mrs Kendrick in Class 6. And some more lovely news, Mrs Kendrick is pregnant and will be going on maternity leave around May 2023! Nice news to be sharing with you all at Christmas time.

DATES:

Christmas Jumper and Lunch

Tomorrow is our Christmas Lunch (already pre-ordered) and Christmas Jumper Day - the children can wear a Christmas 'top' and jeans/leggings etc. Whilst it is lovely and warm in school, the children are still playing outside so they need to ensure they are clothed appropriately for the extreme cold weather.

LKS2 (Year 3 & 4) Carol Service

We look forward to our last performance of the year, by our Yr 3 & 4 children.

This service will be held on **19th December at 6:30pm in Church**. There are no tickets issued for this service, but we please ask that only LKS2 families attend; the church does not have a large capacity, which is why we have split LKS2 and UKS2 events.

Tuesday 20th December - Christmas Party Afternoon – children will hold their parties in their classrooms; we are hoping Fr Christmas will appear in person again, like last year!

As per last year, on Christmas Party Day the catering team are going to provide a special lunch for those on dinners, and the children on packed lunches can bring in special items as a one-off treat eg: chocolate, cakes, sweets etc.

Again, please can we ask that children are dressed appropriately for the weather - we are more than happy for a change of shoes and cardigans etc to be brought in for playtime.

Wednesday 21st December - School Christmas Mass at Church 10:00am

School closes for the Christmas Holidays on **Wednesday 21st December at 1:30pm** and re-opens **Monday 9th January 2023**.

Advance notice:

Sunday 22nd January - 11:00am Mass will be a Family Mass where some children will be asked to participate with various roles eg: Bidding Prayers, Offertory etc. Please could we ask that we make the effort to attend this Mass, and celebrate this occasion as a wider school family.

A **HUGE** thank you for all your donations over the past few weeks; we have supported many families, who have been very grateful for all that they have received - your generosity has been greatly appreciated.

We wish you all a happy and Holy Christmas and New Year, and we look forward to seeing you all in 2023!

Kind Regards

Mrs S J Milligan

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