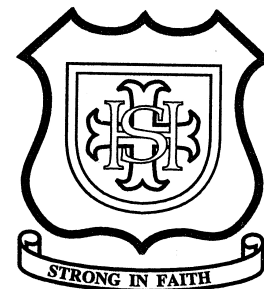


St. Herbert's R C Primary School

Autumn Term

16th December 2021



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for all your good wishes and messages of support, they mean so much to the staff. I am extremely proud of all the activities the staff have managed to provide with the ongoing challenges we face.

A Day of Giving

Thank you for your amazing donations; we have received so many wonderful gifts to give to our local families and charities – your donations will make such a difference to many different families.

Dental Practice

We have been asked to inform parents that Firwood Dental Practice are taking on new NHS children up to the age of 15 years. If any of your children are not currently registered with a dentist, you can call the practice on 0161 624 4297.

Staffing

Mrs Strickland, our office administrative assistant, is leaving our school next week. Mrs Strickland has worked in our school office for four years, and has been a great support to our school. She is taking up a new position at North Chadderton High School, and we send her good luck and best wishes for the future. We welcome Mrs Smith, who will be taking up the post in our school w/c 10th January.

Final Week

The nativities and carol service were fantastic, and a lovely way to start our Christmas season. Thank you for your support, in keeping everybody safe, during these gatherings.

Friday 17th December

Just a quick reminder that tomorrow is Christmas Jumper Day - please do not go to major expense. The children can wear a Christmas top with jeans etc (non-uniform day!), and if they don't have a Christmas top they can wear non-uniform clothing. It is just to add a sprinkle of Christmas into our day, which ties in with the children having their Christmas lunch.

Tuesday 21st December

Tuesday is Christmas Party afternoon; the children can come in their party outfits, but please can we have coats and sensible shoes for playing outside (the children will have playtime outside for break and dinner). Children come to school and finish at the normal times, but in their outfits. In the morning they will take part in lessons and Christmas activities, and in the afternoon they have their party in class.

Wednesday 22nd December

Wednesday is the final day of term; we were due to go to Church and celebrate Mass as a whole school, however due to rising COVID rates in the area, we are staying in school and celebrating the Christmas story in the playground (pupils and staff only, similar gathering to the Remembrance Service).

The Christmas raffle will be drawn after this celebration (the children do not need their tickets, as their names have been written on the back of the stubbs that go into the draw).

We finish for the Christmas Holidays just after lunchtime on **Wednesday 22nd December at 1:30pm.**

I would like to thank our staff, who are a dedicated team, and have worked so hard this term. Also thank you to our families and whole school community for all your support, encouragement and kind messages that mean so much.

I hope you have a happy and Holy Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you all on **Monday 10th January 2022.**

Kind Regards

Mrs S J Milligan

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