

9.12.2022

Dear families of St. Kentigern's,

A reminder of Christmas Dates:

Key Stage 1 Nativity	Tuesday 13 th December	9.15am and 2.00pm
Christmas Craft Fair: Family ticket - £5 Or £2 per adult and £1 per child Santa's Grotto - £2 per child	Wednesday 14 th December	3.30pm - 5.30pm Santa's Grotto closes at 5.00pm.
Christmas Dinner and Pyjama day	Thursday 15 th December	Children to come into school in their PJs with a £1.00 donation which will go to Ronald McDonald House.

Craft Fair tickets can still be purchased from the school office.

Key Stage 1 tickets can be collected from the school office. Two tickets will be allocated per family. Any spare tickets will be available the day before the performance from the school office.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be on Thursday 15th December.

If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner, you can book online using the Christmas Dinner Form or you can call into the school office to reserve your school meal at a cost of £2.30 per child unless your child is eligible for free school meals.

The last day to book this is <u>Friday 9th December</u> as the kitchen need to place the food order that evening. Without pre-booking, your child will not be able to have a Christmas Dinner.

If your child is already having school dinners, you do not need to book a Christmas dinner

SEND Sunday Swims

Moss Side Leisure Centre are running Inclusive Swims on Sundays 9-11:30am. The sessions provide a calm environment for children and young people with special needs and disabilities. A regular parent says: 'Lovely warm and safe water, fully accessible, and with a very friendly welcome by other parents and carers in the pool.' It is the same price as casual swimming and can be booked via the website, the BetterUK app or by visiting the leisure centre.

KS2 Carol Service



Thank you to all of the families who were able to join us for the Carol Service this year. It was fantastic to see so many of you there. Your support is greatly appreciated by both pupils and staff. The children and teaching teams have worked hard to prepare for this special occasion over the past few weeks. The children were a credit to their families and St. Kentigern's.

Early Years

This week, our EYFS children sprinkled Christmas magic over all who came to see their wonderful performances. Nursery children had a fantastic morning at their Christmas sing-a-long. Reception children performed and sang beautifully during their superb Nativity play. It was wonderful to see all the proud families enjoying their children's talents,





Reception

Nursery

Irish Community Care

On Monday, a selection of children from our choir visited St Kentigern's Social Club to sing carols for members of Irish Community Care. They were warmly received and our audience loved singing along with festive favourites!



Panto

This week the whole school enjoyed a pantomime experience. EYFS were treated to a performance of Aladdin in the school hall. KS1 and KS2 children went to the Stockport Plaza and thoroughly enjoyed watching Cinderella. A special Christmas treat for all.





Chester meets some of the cast members of Aladdin.

Right of the Week

Article 7 The Right to a Name and to Belong to a Country

Every child should be registered at birth and has the right to a name, to a nationality and, as far as possible, to be cared for by an adult.

Increase in scarlet fever

Please read the accompanying letter from the UK Health Security Agency regarding the signs, symptoms and the actions to be taken if you think that you or your child might have scarlet fever.

Message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well! Our journey of Advent is moving along quickly as this weekend we light the third candle, to show we are fast approaching Christmas. The school carol services in church this week also remind us, as much as the sign of snow and frost in the morning, they we are moving closer and closer to Christmas. The wonderful singing and reading are all part of the way we offer this prayer of the greatest story ever told. The story of Christmas being told again and again is our faithful way of accepting Gods plan for all of us. Let us let the brilliant words from the school children this week, inspire us to know that Christmas is the message of God is with us, so we live each day to proclaim it. Have a wonderful weekend, St Kentigern pray for us (and c'mon Englandas we play France!)

With continued best wishes.

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Headteacher