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Holy Family News

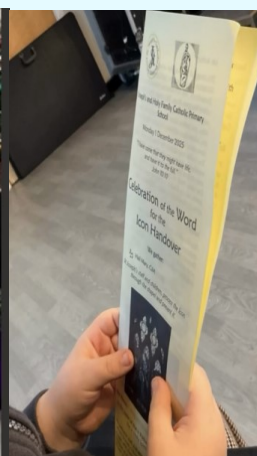
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Hello everyone!

This week we welcomed children and staff from St Joseph's Catholic Primary School as they passed on the Blessed Jubilee Icon that has been travelling around schools in the Diocese of Shrewsbury. Together we shared our Celebration of the Word and thought about how we too can be sources of hope in this world. The Pupil Leadership Team then took the icon to All Saints as it continues on its journey. A wonderful way to come together with local schools in celebration and prayer.

There was also much more learning and celebrations throughout the week! Well done to all of our children for their hard work and enthusiasm. We are so proud of you all! Have a lovely weekend everyone.



EYFS Nativity.

Our EYFS children shone brightly this week in their beautiful Nativity performance. From confident lines and excellent singing to just seeing their happy faces onstage, every child played their part with pride. It was wonderful to see their confidence, excitement and teamwork come together on stage. A big Thank You to the staff for their hard work putting it all together and to our wonderful families for their support on the day and cheering the children on! What a special way to start the season, we are so proud of you children!



Walkden Gardens

On Saturday, our school choir performed at 'Carols Around The Dovecote' at Walkden Gardens singing a lovely selection of carols. The children sang beautifully and made everyone get into the festive spirit. Thank you to our families for supporting this event and a huge Thank You to our wonderful Mrs Cooper who works so hard with the children to prepare them for these events. Well done everyone, it was a super performance.



Kindness Disciples

Year 3 were the lucky recipients of the Kindness Disciples' treats this week when they delivered milk and biscuits over to our happy children. They then went, helped by our GIFT team to deliver handmade holding crosses to our parishioners at Church after Mass. Great work everyone!



Carols around the Peace Garden

On Wednesday 10th December, we would like to invite all parents and children to a festive Carol Service in our Peace Garden. The choir will lead the singing along with Mrs Cooper however children from any class are welcome to come and join in the carols. Parents are encouraged to stay, listen and share in this special moment together. It would be a lovely way for our community to come together and celebrate the season.

The Carol Service will begin at 3.15pm, immediately after pick up. We look forward to seeing you there.



More Good News...



We are delighted to share the news that our lovely Mrs Diani recently welcomed a beautiful baby boy into the world! Baby Artin arrived safely and both mum and baby are doing well. We are so happy for her and wish her family lots of love, happiness and precious moments in this special new chapter. Welcome to the Holy Family family, little Artin.

Have you paid your building fund?

For the Building Fund, we ask for a donation of **£15 per child at school**.

Funding for repairs to our school building comes via 90% from public funds and 10% from the Diocese. We have benefited from this fund in recent years including a whole replacement roof project over 4 phases and a toilet refurbishment in lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2. We are currently waiting to hear if we will receive funding for our refurbishment project.

We rely on your voluntary contribution towards this fund. Any arrears must be paid for from our school budget. Our budget, like everything is tighter than ever, but we use this money to ensure children have resources to support their learning. If you can donate, please do. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Dates to Remember for the Autumn term

DECEMBER

8th	9am Advent assembly (Parents Welcome)
10th	9.15am Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert
10th	3.15pm Carols in the Peace Garden (led by the choir and Mrs Cooper)
11th	Christmas Dinner Day—Children to wear own clothes with Christmas jumpers
12th	9.10am Parents in Values Assembly
15th	9am Advent assembly (Parents Welcome)
18th	9.30am Whole School Mass
19th	Break The Rules Day
	1.30pm - Children finish for Christmas Break



OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE MEANS

Being in school 97% of the time

REMEMBER...

Your attendance matters - days off cost good grades



ATTENDANCE

	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
RECEPTION	98.8%	95.2%
YEAR 1	90.9%	96.3%
YEAR 2	96.4%	97.0%
YEAR 3	95.9%	96.4%
YEAR 4	96.5%	98.5%
YEAR 5	96.4%	96.1%
YEAR 6	95.0%	96.3%
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.9%	96.7%

Only a couple of year groups managed to get into the green zone this week. I know there is lots going around but well done to Year 4 and Year 2! But no red zones which is good news.

A better overall percentage but let's try to get those green zones back on the board. We can do it!!