



St Chrysostom's Newsletter
 November 2024
'Let all that you do be done in love.'
 1 Corinthians 16:14



Dear Parents and Carers,
Newsletter 2: November 2024



Welcome back!
 We hope you had a lovely half term break. It is a beautiful time of year. Not only are we well into the season of Autumn, with its changing temperature and scenery, but we also enter the time of religious festivals such as Sukkot, Diwali, Bodhi Day and, of course, Christmas.

So far this school year, the children's learning has included the 'Chester Zoo Experience,' the Federation 'Poetry Slam' and Federation handball tournaments. And there is more excitement to come! Please see the 'Forthcoming Events' Section for some of what's in store.

This half term, we are focusing carefully on our value of *Love and Respect*. Our Collective Worship gatherings, together with our class reflections, are centred on 'Respect.' Please talk to your children about this, so we can spread the message and understanding.



Harvest Festival
 A huge thank you to everyone who donated food for our Harvest Festival. These were gratefully received and have been shared with a local foodbank for needy families. This has been a great endeavour for our school community to show the Christian value of Love through kindness and generosity.



Remembrance
 We will be remembering and paying our respects to those who have died in various wars and conflicts around the world, as part of the annual remembrance event, this November. Our children's learning will be underpinned by this theme to deepen their understanding. To commemorate the occasion, we will be selling poppies from our school office.

The donations from this will be going to the Royal British Legion Charity, so children are warmly encouraged to buy a poppy and wear it with pride.



Reading
 We love reading at school! Please encourage your child to read each night at home. Developing a love of reading can help in all areas of learning and can bring lifelong joy! Some forthcoming parent reading workshops will be organised. More information to follow on this.



Attendance and Punctuality
 School attendance is vital for children's education. You should now be aware of the new school times.

Please ensure children arrive promptly for school. **Gates open at 8:35am and registration closes at 8:50am.**
After this time, children will be marked as late.

Forthcoming Events:

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| Pantomime Visit (Stockport Plaza Theatre) | Monday 9 th Dec |
| Reception Nativity (Reception parents invited) | Tuesday 10 th Dec @ 9:15am |
| Year 1 & 2 Christmas Singalong (Year 1 & 2 parents invited) | Friday 13 th Dec @ 9:15am |
| Christmas Jumper Day | Friday 13 th Dec |
| Christmas Lunch in School | Friday 13 th Dec |
| Key Stage 2 Winter Wonderland at the Church (Children invited to wear Christmas hats/hair – they must still wear school uniform.) | Monday 16 th Dec |
| Nursery Christmas Songs (Nursery Parents Invited) | Tuesday 17 th Dec @ 2:30pm |
| Year 1 & 2 – Winter Festival at the Church | Thursday 19 th Dec |
| Christmas Party afternoon | Friday 20 th Dec |
| Last day of school before Christmas holiday break | Friday 20 th Dec |
| School Reopens for Children for the Spring Term | Tuesday 7 th Jan |

Yours sincerely,
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