



**Newsletter No 10**

Dear Parents and Friends

Friday 14 November 2014



**Children in Need**

We have enjoyed a very heroic day today with all our little superheroes! Thank you for embracing the theme so imaginatively. We will let you know how much was raised next week.



**Class Assembly**

Well done to Year Four (and Mr Mayor and Miss Marron) for a fantastic 'Dinosaur' assembly on Tuesday; I learnt a lot myself and I know from the many comments I received that you enjoyed it too!



**EYFS Fire Safety Day - Monday 17 November**

The Early Years Class from St Nicholas will be visiting us for the day. At lunchtime, if the weather is suitable Early Years will be having a picnic with the children from St Nicholas. A letter has been sent home on Wednesday giving full details of this fun day. If you require a copy of the letter please contact the school office.



**Shakespeare Production**

A reminder that the Shakespeare group will be performing their production of 'The Tempest' again on Wednesday 19 November at 2.30 in the school hall. All welcome.



**INSPIRE Workshops. Inspire Workshop for Year 1 and Year 2**

This repeated workshop will be held on Tuesday 18 November 9.30am to 10.30am where one person per family is welcome to come along to support, join in and see the children working.



### Bag 2 School - Bags have been sent home with children.

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in good quality second hand clothing that can be re-used and we have arranged to make a collection from this school. All bags are weighed and we will be paid by the total weight collected. Remember the more you collect the bigger benefit to our School! They will collect the following items for RE-USE: adults and children's clothing, bedding, soft toys, paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags. NO BRIC-A-BRAC PLEASE. **Extra bags welcome - there is no limit.** If you need spare bags please come to the school office. Bags will be collected on **Wednesday 19 November by 9.00am.** Please only drop off bags on that morning as the school cannot store overnight. Thank you for your support!



### Parents' Confirmation Meeting

On Thursday 20 November at 7pm at **Holy Cross Church**, there will be a further meeting for parents of children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. *Parent meetings are an essential part of Sacramental preparation and is expected that all children shall have a parent attending.* Thank you for your support.



### Mass of Commitment for Year 3 and Year 6

A Mass of Commitment for those children who will be receiving the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation will be held on Sunday 23 November at 10.30am in Church.

*This is a very important part of Sacramental preparation and is expected that all children shall attend.* Thank you for your support.



### Dyslexia Workshop/Information Evening for Parents

A letter has been sent home with your child regarding this event can you please sign and return proforma to the school office by **Monday 24 November.** If you have not received letter please contact the school office for a copy, thank you.



### Year 3 Trip to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery

A letter has been sent home with all Year 3 children giving information regarding this trip. If you require a copy please contact school office. Payment deadline is Friday 21 November. Thank you.



### Phonics Workshop

Early Years Phonic Workshop will be held on Wednesday 3 December at 4.00pm for parents. All parents are invited to learn about phonics that is delivered at Holy Cross. The workshop will be held by Miss Crowley and Miss Lovelock at 4.00pm in the Early Years classroom.

**Please let Miss Crowley know if you are interested in attending.**



### Christmas Fayre on Friday 5 December from 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Please put this important date in your diary.

Towards our Christmas Fayre please note the following dates will be non-uniform days and each child is asked to bring in the following on that day:

**Friday 21 November** - Bottle Tombola Donation

**Friday 28 November** - Chocolate [Boxes, bars or whatever you have, all in date, thank you] Tombola donation

**Friday 5 December** - Mince pies or homemade cakes

Thank you once again for your support it is appreciated.



### Face Painting

We need volunteers to help do face painting at the Christmas Fayre. If you are available to help please contact the school office. Thank you for your support.



### PTA Christmas Disco

This will be held on Thursday 11 December from 3.30pm to 5.00pm. If you are available to help please contact the school office. Thank you for your support.



### Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the Attendance Award was won by EYFS with 100%!

The Punctuality Award for the week was won by Year 1 and Year 5 Well done!

**Recommendations:** **EYFS:** Phoebe F, Calum Mc **Year 1:** Ella W, Krupa S **Year 2:** Ben B, Frank W **Year 3:** Whole class, Sam K, Eva P **Year 4:** Grace B, Jessica T, Niamh P **Year 5:** Sadie M, Nina R **Year 6:** Niamh L, Tiah P, Ben E, Missy G.

**Lunchtime Award:** James NC.

**Class of the Week Award:** Year 2.





### Angel of the Week

A friend is an angel on earth. Many of our children's behaviour and attitude reflects the fact that they are making an extra special effort to do God's work. Each week we will be recognising those children who we feel have made that extra special effort.

This week's winners are: **Year 4:** Christian B **Year 5:** Ellie-Jo L, Sam K **Year 6:** Alfie U , James B.



Happy Birthday to the following children who have celebrated their birthdays this week:

Jake W (Y4)

Dates for your diary - November		
<i>Monday 17 November</i>	<i>All day</i>	<i>Fire Survival Day for EYFS and St Nicholas EYFS School</i>
Tuesday 18 November	9.30am - 10.30am	Year 1 and Year 2 Inspire Workshop
Wednesday 19 November	Am	Bags 2 School
Wednesday 19 November	3.30pm to 4.30pm	First Aid with Mr Hunt
Wednesday 19 November	4.00pm - 6.00pm	Yrs 3 & 4 Multi-Skills Tournament at John Willmott School
Thursday 20 November	9.15am	Mass in school led by Year 4
<i>Thursday 20 November</i>	<i>7.00pm</i>	<i>Confirmation meeting for parents in church</i>
Friday 21 November	All day	Non uniform - bring a bottle for Christmas Fayre
<i>Sunday 23 November</i>	<i>10.30</i>	<i>Year 3 and Year 6 Mass of Commitment</i>
Monday 24 November	Am	School nurses to see Year 6 BMI checks
Tuesday 25 November	9.15am	Year 2 class assembly
<i>Wednesday 26 November</i>	<i>All day</i>	<i>Year 3 Trip to BMAG</i>
Wednesday 26 November	3.30pm to 4.30pm	First Aid with Mr Hunt
Thursday 27 November	6.30pm	Dyslexia Workshop at Bishop Walsh
Thursday 27 November	9.15am	Mass in school led by Year 3
Friday 28 November	All day	Non uniform - bring in chocolate for Christmas Fayre
Dates for your diary - December		
Wednesday 3 December	3.30pm to 4.30pm	First Aid with Mr Hunt
Wednesday 3 December	4.00pm	Early Years Phonic Workshop
Friday 5 December	All day	Non uniform - Mince pies or homemade cakes
Friday 5 December	3.30pm - 5.30pm	PTA Christmas Fayre
<i>Tuesday 9 December</i>	<i>1.45pm Refreshments 2.00pm performance starts</i>	<i>KS1 Christmas Production</i>
Wednesday 10 December	3.30pm to 4.30pm	First Aid with Mr Hunt
<i>Wednesday 10 December</i>	<i>9.15am Refreshments 9.30am performance starts</i>	<i>KS1 Christmas Production</i>
<i>Wednesday 10 December</i>	<i>1.30pm</i>	<i>Choir to The Oaks</i>
Thursday 11 December	9.15am	Mass in school led by Year 5
Thursday 11 December	3.30pm to 5.00pm	PTA Disco
<i>Saturday 13 December</i>	<i>9.45am</i>	<i>Choir to House of Fraser Sutton Coldfield</i>
Monday 15 December	(tbc)	KS 2 Carol Service

Tuesday 16 December	12.00pm	Christmas dinner for children
Thursday 18 December	9.15am	Mass in school led by Year 4
Monday 22 December	Friday 2 January	Christmas holiday

\* To be confirmed

*Have a lovely weekend!*

Yours sincerely

**T Cotter**

Miss T Cotter  
Principal

On a day when we think about children in need:

### Hold my Hand in Weakness

Lord God, you are my strength.

Hold my hand in my weakness and teach my heart to fly.

With you, there's nothing to fear, nothing to worry about.

Hold me tight in your embrace, so that I can be stronger than the challenges in my life.

Amen.



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