



# St Benedict's Catholic Primary School Hindley

## NEWSLETTER – November 2022

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### Dates for the Diary

Date	Year Group(s)	Information
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Y3 & Y4	Book Breakfast
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & KS1	Pantomime Trip – Aladdin
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5	Class Mass (10am) @ St Benedict's Church
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 & Y6	Book Breakfast
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & KS1	Nativity performance (more details to follow)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & KS1	Nativity performance (more details to follow)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3	Class Mass in school
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception	Book Breakfast
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School	Reports
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & KS1	Christmas Party
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2	Christmas Party
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	KS2	Christmas Carol Service (1:15pm)
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Whole School	School closes for the Christmas holidays (2pm)

### Odd Socks Day

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November, children came into school wearing odd socks. This was to raise awareness of Anti-bullying Week.



### KS2 Class Masses

This term, Father Leo has invited us to Mass at St Benedict's church with Y5 and Y6. He will also be celebrating Mass in school with Y3 and Y4. Please see above for dates.



### Poet visit – Sean Perkins

Reception, Y1 and Y2 recently had a visit from a local poet, Sean Perkins. Sean read his poems and introduced each class to his special characters. Thank you to all children for making Sean feel so welcome in our school – he had a lovely time.



### Christmas Jumper Day

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December, all children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes and wearing a Christmas jumper, or Christmas accessories such as a hat. This day is also Christmas dinner day.



### Nativity Performances

Performances will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Each performance will start at 2pm, with our doors being open from 1:30pm. Refreshments will be available for a donation towards school funds for new laptops. Raffle tickets will also be on sale for £1 per strip to win a Christmas hamper (see further down for more details about this).



### Christmas Parties

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> will be our Christmas Party days. Please see above dates for your child's exact date. Children should come to school in their partywear on this day. Reception, Y1 and Y2 will have a disco and each will receive a drink and party snacks. Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 will have a DJ and will have the option to buy treats from the tuck shop.



### KS2 Carol Service

Parents and carers are welcome to join us for this year's Carol Service. This will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 1:15pm. Children from Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will be taking part in this service.



### Y6 Girls' Football Tournament

Well done to our Y6 girls' football team who competed in the annual Wigan Athletic football tournament. They had a brilliant time and even enjoyed a 5-0 win! We are looking forward to seeing how they develop as a team over the year. Well done to Phoebe, Tiana, Tabitha, Maisie, Holly, Sophie, Heidi, Jessica and Mia!



### Charlotte's Web Performance

Last week, the whole school were treated to a special performance of Charlotte's Web. An engaging, exciting, and memorable experience. Thank you to Altru for a special show!



### Ann Angel – Judaism Week

On the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November, we had a lovely visit from Ann Angel. She visited each class and immersed children into her religion: Judaism.





### Poppy Appeal

Thank you for your amazing support in helping support the Poppy Appeal this year. We raised an amazing £308.35.



### Movie Night

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, KS2 were invited to a Christmas Movie Night kindly organised by Friends of St Benedict's and our School Council. We hope all children had a lovely time and are now in the Christmas spirit!



### Wigan & Leigh Hospice – Christmas Teddies

Together, £400 was raised for Wigan and Leigh hospice. Thank you to everyone who purchased a Christmas teddy. Your donations are truly appreciated. Thank you to Joe (Head Boy) and Heidi (Head Girl) who helped to sell these, giving up their own break and lunch times.



### Christmas Raffle – Christmas Hampers

We will be using your kind and generous donations and bottles and chocolates to create some wonderful Christmas hampers. Christmas raffle tickets will be on sale for £1 per strip from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. These can be bought in class by your child.

