St Chad's Newsletter

13th December 2024

"At St. Chad's, we grow in the light of Christ, to share his love and reflect the gospel values."

This week:

- Has been a joyous week of singing both in school and out and particularly for Y6 and the choir!
- The choir sang at the St Theresa of Calcutta Carol Concert. https://x.com/ChadPrimary/status/1866489315464716563
- Year 6 sang carols and Christmas hits at the Wesleyan Foundation on Thursday.
- Choir sang at West Midlands Carol Concert at St Chad's Cathedral. If you would like to watch them sing, use the link and go to livestream, then recordings and click on the concert. They sing at 1hr 17mins.
- Fr Brian celebrated Mass on Thursday. Well done to Year 6 who led us so beautifully.
- Ks1 Nativity was a wonderful celebration of the Jesus' birth. Well done to all the children and staff!

This Sunday is the Third Sunday of Advent

We close for Christmas next Friday 20th December at 1:30pm

Advent

As we enter the third week of Advent, we light the pink candle on the wreath, symbolising joy and rejoicing. This is a time to reflect on the hope and gladness that the coming of Christ brings to our lives. Let us prepare our hearts with gratitude and anticipation as Christmas draws near.

Loving God,
In this week of joy, we rejoice in the coming of Your Son, our Saviour.
Fill our hearts with gladness as we prepare to celebrate His birth.
Help us to bring Your light to others, sharing hope, love, and peace.
May our lives reflect the joy of Christ's presence as we await His glorious return.
Amen.

Christmas—Jumper, Dinner, Parties.

Next Thursday the 19th December will officially be Christmas in school. It will be Christmas Jumper day, Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas party day. We are asking for £1 donation from families to support our Christmas fund raising.

If you would like your child to have Christmas Dinner and they usually have a packed lunch, then please let the School Office know. The cost is £2.50 which can be paid through Parent Pay.

House points

St Monica were our winners this week with 207 points!

We are committed to fostering a safe and respectful environment for everyone. We have a zero-tolerance policy for any form of abuse, whether verbal, physical, or emotional. Every member of our community has the right to feel respected and secure, and we will take all necessary steps to uphold these values. Please see our Code of Conduct Policy for further details.

https://www.st-chads.bham.sch.uk/docs/St_Chads_Code_of_Conduct_for_Visitors_to_School_Policy_23.pdf

Virtue Certificates

YR Merina - Grateful and Generous —For using her singing talents and singing beautifully in our play.

Y1 Selam – Learned and Wise- For seeing an opportunity to help and acting upon it.

Y2 Hesda - Compassionate and Loving—For helping children in the nativity play.

Y3 Alanah-Jay - Intentional and Prophetic– For always being a supportive friend.

Y4 Q'huare - Compassionate and Loving - For caring for others.

Y5 Canaan– Curious and Active– For always trying her best with singing.

Y6 Paul – Learned and Wise- For being a perfect friend and always putting others first.

AR Elijah - Compassionate and Loving – For showing empathy when someone is upset.

13.12.23	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 School Nativity 2pm in school.
18.12.24	KS2 Nativity at St Chad's Cathedral at 6pm
19.12.24	Christmas jumper, Christmas dinner and Christmas Party Day
20.12.24	School closes for Christmas at
07.01.25	School opens for the spring term.

Intentional and Prophetic

Intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.

What does this mean?

Catholic schools help their pupils grow by being a school community which is intentional in its way of proceeding to build-up quality of life; and which is prophetic in the way it offers an alternative vision of education and the human person rooted in the gospel.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for December

December: For pilgrims of hope
We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

St Chad's Cathedral

Saturday Vigil at 4.30pm

Sunday Masses will be at 9.30am and 11.30am

(live streamed and Cathedral open)

Weekday Masses
Monday to Friday: 12.15pm

(live streamed and Cathedral open)

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Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow
Every School Day Counts!

Well done to Year 5 with the highest attendance
with a fabulous 98%!

Complaints

If you have a complaint or a concern regarding the school, then please refer to our Complaints Policy. The procedures are outlined in the document. You will find it here https://www.st-chads.bham.sch.uk/Policies-Documents/

Designated Senior Safeguarding Leaders

DESIGNATED SENIOR LEADERS Ms Ryan is the Designated Senior Lead for child protection and Mrs Parker, Mr Lewis, Mrs Wheatley and Mrs Ashford. As a school, we take child protection and safeguarding procedures very seriously. The safety and wellbeing of all our children is paramount. If you have a concern about a child, please see one of the aforementioned members of staff.

Our stars of the week have been truly living out the Gospel Values

CONGRATULATIONS

AR Marco YR Vihaan Y1 Teveah Y2 Cody-Lee Y3 Nahom
Y4 Adam Y5 Kyron Y6 Scarlett AR Marco