



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

School Mass – Friday 22nd December

Our final mass together this year will be on Friday morning at 9:30 in the church. During this mass we ask God to bless us throughout this Christmas season and into the New Year – where we most certainly continue to need many blessings and much peace. Please join us.

Stay and Pray – Wednesday Meditation - Last week of Advent:

please join us for our final school meditation gathering this year. Meditation begins at 9:00 and lasts for approximately 10 minutes. Many thanks to those who have joined us during the past couple of weeks. The witness of your prayer life is a wonderful and much needed example for your children.

Carol Service 2017- Wednesday, 20th December

Our Carol Service is on Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church. Please join the children as they present the events of Christmas in song, readings and poignant reflections. We are so grateful for the support that you give them in so many ways to ensure that their presentation is prayerful and beautifully conducted. **Y4-Y6 children need to return to school for 6:30pm.** Thank you.

E safety tip: Make sure you have anti-virus software installed on your computer and be careful of what you download or install on your computer.

Our Mini-Vinnies have been collecting for St Chad's sanctuary and have asked their classmates for the following: toothbrushes, toothpaste, warm hats, thick socks, thermal gloves. **Many thanks** for all the donations offered and, as always, you have been very generous. Mr Clinton will bring them over to St Chad's before Thursday – the final day for collections. We are not collecting any more items at this time.

Advent Charity – Trusted Homes

This year, we were recommended this charitable cause by the police who greatly support it in our Harborne area where, so sadly, many people are sleeping out on the street. So far we have collected £350 and our final collection will follow the Carol Service on Wednesday evening. Thank you for your care and Christmas spirit to helping the homeless. May God bless your goodness.

Thought for this week:

Lord, help me to make time during this busy season of Advent to create times and places of silence, to be still and know the joy, peace and blessing of your holy presence.

Walk with Me Advent 2017

Socks and tights for little ones

Please send in any spares you have of these items – it is so helpful to use if the children require a change.

Friday : to go home with your child...

Everything will go home with your child this Friday including PE kit for cleaning, water bottles and any other items that their teacher feels important to be with you rather than in school over the holiday!

Finally, we break up at 3:15/3:30pm on Friday. On behalf of all staff, I wish each and every one of you a safe and happy Christmas time with family and friends. May the New Year be filled with peace and so many of God's great blessings. **Thank you for your kindness and generosity to staff.**

Yours sincerely

HMCusack

Headteacher

Dinner Money for next term:

£67.50 with cheques made payable to 'Birmingham City Council' please.