



OLA TIMES NEWSLETTER

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No 8.

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Happy New Year and a huge 'Thank You!'

Once again, for all the cards and gifts and for your support during the Autumn Term, a massive 'thank you!' We would like to wish a Happy New Year to all our families and friends we hope that this term will be successful and joyful for everyone.

Feast of the Epiphany.

Our children joined parishioners in Church on Tuesday 6th January for a wonderful Epiphany mass to mark the visit of the Wise Men to baby Jesus. As part of our celebrations we will be having a 'toy afternoon' in school on Friday of this week, 9th January. Children can bring in a toy to play with; class teachers will speak to the children about appropriate toys and games.



Important Dates for the Diary.

- Friday 9th January. Toy afternoon to celebrate the Epiphany.
- Friday 16th January. Pantomime in school, 'Peter Pan.'
- Wednesday 21st January. Class Mass for Y3 9:30am in church.
- Wednesday 4th February. Class Mass for Y1 and Y2 9:30am in church.
- Friday 13th February. INSET Day. School closed for pupils.

Advent Appeal. World Gifts.

Thank you once again for supporting our fundraising for CAFOD during Advent. We used the money to purchase 7 wonderful 'World Gifts' for people who are in need.

We raised over £200 and your generosity will support these amazing projects:

- 'Winter warmth' for a vulnerable family,
- 'Firewood for winter' for a family facing extreme cold,
- 'Teach someone to read,'
- 'Forest School' for people in the Amazon,
- 'Water for a Family' in Peru,
- 'Back to School' support for a child,
- 'Happy Queen Bee' for a village in Kenya.



You can find more details about World Gifts and all the work of CAFOD on their website. <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> Thank you!

New Phone Numbers and Contact Details.

If you have a new phone or number from this Christmas please ensure that the office have your up to date contact details. We have had a number of people saying that they have not received text messages so please make sure we have your most recent number. Thanks in anticipation.

Values Blueprint.

Our value for January is 'Respect' and we are thinking about how we can show respect for one another and for the world in which we live through our care and consideration and also through admiring the qualities that the people around us have.

Reminder: School Day Times.

- ✓ All pupils in **Y1 to Y6** line up on the yard in the morning. There is an opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher at this time, alternatively you can call in at the office.
- ✓ For pupils in **Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3** pupils the school day begins at **8:45am**.
- ✓ For pupils in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** the school day begins at **8:50am**.
- ✓ We expect all children to try their best to be in school on time so that teachers are able to begin their classroom activities as soon as possible.

***** Children arriving after these times or entering via the school office will be marked late each day.*****

- ✓ **If the weather is poor, pupils in Y1 to Y6** are able to go to class from around 8:40am.
- ✓ For pupils in **Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3** pupils the school day ends at **3:15pm**.
- ✓ For pupils in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** the school day ends at **3:20pm**.



Keep an eye on our website for updates and further information.

Website:

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As always, thank you for your continued support.

M Burke. Headteacher.