

St Mary's RC Primary

Newsletter 6

December 2016



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone who came along on Thursday Evening to support the Christmas Fair. So far a whopping £2150 profit has been raised! We need to especially thank a core group of Parent Council members and Parent Helpers who worked tirelessly behind the scenes in the weeks leading up to the Fair to get everything organised. We must also extend our thanks to the many local businesses who supported us with offers of vouchers and raffle prizes, and to everyone who bought raffle tickets.

We still have "Guess the Bear's Birthday" 20p a guess – this will run right up to the last day of term and will be drawn at the final Carol Concert on Friday 23rd December. You can have a guess before school starts each day! We will also have a mini raffle on the day of the Nativity Wednesday 21st December with hampers, bottles and vouchers to win.

Please note the key dates for Christmas events in school! The children are invited to come to school wearing a **Christmas jumper or headgear** if they have it on **Wednesday 14th December** for the school Christmas Lunch – please do not buy anything special! They can also wear their Christmas jumpers on **Friday 16th December** to join in the fun for Christmas Jumper Day.

On **Thursday 15th December**, we will be at the Lyceum Theatre for Alice in Wonderland – school uniform should be worn please. Thank you to the many offers of help with this but we only had 5 spare tickets.

Children are welcome to come to school dressed for their Christmas Party – no high heels please! I have also asked that clothing is appropriate for school so no strappy vest tops or bare bellies please! P4 and P5 will need to bring a change of clothes for the party as we will be at the theatre in the morning.

Liz Laird - Headteacher

Good luck to our P4 pupils who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on **Sunday 18th December at 5pm in St Matthew's Church, Rosewell**. We will go to the Church for a rehearsal on Friday morning.

The Nativity is on Wednesday 21st December with a performance at 1.30pm and an evening performance at 7pm. This is a whole school event so space in the hall is limited due to fire regulations. Please return your ticket request slip by Wednesday 14th December so that any spare tickets can be allocated. The children should be brought to school for 6.30pm for the Evening performance. **THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THE TICKETS BUT WE ARE ASKING EVERYONE TO BRING A DONATION OF FOOD OR TOILETRIES SUITABLE FOR THE FOODBANK PLEASE – NO PERISHABLE ITEMS.** Raffle Tickets for final prizes will also be on sale - £1 per strip.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 14 th December	School Christmas Lunch Wear your Christmas Jumper or headgear if you have it!
Wednesday 14 th December	P6 & P7 Christmas Party – afternoon
Thursday 15 th December	Whole School Trip to Lyceum – Alice in Wonderland Soup and sandwich lunch on return PLEASE NOTE – NO ALTERNATIVE HOT SCHOOL MEAL – if you do not want your child to have a soup and sandwich lunch then you will need to provide your own packed lunch.
Thursday 15 th December	P4 & P5 Christmas Party afternoon Bring a change of clothes for the party – school uniform for theatre visit in the morning please
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Jumper Day – wear your Christmas jumper or headgear to school today
Sunday 18 th December	Parish Reconciliation Service 5pm St Matthew's Church, Rosewell
Tuesday 20 th December	Nursery Christmas Party - morning
Tuesday 20 th December	P1, P2, & P3 party afternoon
Wednesday 21 st December	Whole School Nativity 1.30pm and 7pm REMEMBER YOUR FOODBANK DONATIONS
Friday 23 rd December	Christmas Carol Concert 11am – all welcome School closes for end of term at normal finishing times 12.25pm and 12.35pm
SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL PUPILS ON MONDAY 9TH JANUARY	



**The staff at St Mary's
wish you a very
Merry Christmas
and best wishes for
2017!**