



# ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Newsletter 8

19th December 2025

Dear Parents,

Thank you all for your support throughout the term. Working closely together is the best way to help children thrive and it is such a privilege to see children shining in different ways each day in school. They are amazing young people!

Excitement levels have now reached an all-time high and children and staff are definitely ready for the Christmas break. This has been a very busy term and the magical month of December has been filled with the joys of Advent.

I hope that whatever your plans are over Christmas, you have a wonderful time filled with joy, peace and happiness. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

Best wishes

Mrs. R. Halsall

### Christmas Parties

Children thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas parties yesterday, taking part in different Christmas activities and a variety of party games. In the afternoon, children had party food and school was filled with Christmas music and lots of dancing. Children in Key Stage 1 had a visit from a very special guest who made time in his busy schedule to come and collect their letters and talk about the magic of Christmas Eve. It was great to see children in each class having an afternoon of fun – very well deserved after all their hard work throughout the term.

### Advent Reflections and Christmas Mass Times

Children in Reception visited Church on Tuesday afternoon for an Advent reflection with Fr John and Linda. The Advent reflections have been special experiences for children and staff and we are very grateful to Fr John and Linda for providing these opportunities for our school community. School have been creating some artwork linked to their reflections which will be displayed in the Churches of St Patrick's and St Marie's over the Christmas period.

If you would like to attend Mass over Christmas and see children's artwork, please see below for the times:

**Christmas Eve & New Year's Eve:** 6p.m. St Patrick's, 12 Midnight St Marie's

**Christmas Day & New Year's Day:** 9.30a.m. St Marie's 11a.m. St Patrick's

Advance notice that children in **Year 6** will be attending Mass with parishioners from St Patrick's on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 10am**. Parents and grandparents are most welcome to attend this Mass. It would be lovely to see you there!

### PE Days – Spring 1

Children will be having PE on the following days after half term:

Reception – Monday

Year 1 – Monday & Thursday

Year 2 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 3 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 4 – Thursday Swimming & Friday

Year 5 – Wednesday & Friday

Year 6 – Monday & Tuesday

Please ensure that children are wearing the correct PE kit when they come into school on their PE days. Children need to wear a white T shirt, plain navy shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and pumps/ trainers, with their school jumper or cardigan.

### Headteacher Award - Attendance

Our final Headteacher Award of the term was presented to children who had achieved 100% attendance this term. Well done to all our winners!

**Rec S:** Otto B, Molly F, Raina F, Toby H, Henry S, Amelie S, Rosie W & Phoebe W

**Rec P:** Iris B O'F, Alfie B, Leila D-B, Theodora F, Charlie H, Chloe J, Sadie L, Esme L, Max M, Ariella R, Margaret S & Leo S

**1S:** Edward B, Xanthe M, Gabriel M, Evie P & Ellis T

**1P:** Alice A, Grace D, Micah E, Eleanor H, Ilaria H, Archie H, Finley K, Sam K, Cecilia L, Iris P, Harry S, Rory S & Roman S

**2S:** Bethany B, Maisie H, Rory J, Peyton M, Millie M, Edward P, Harriett R & Harper U

**2P:** Isabelle A, Gabriel B, Amelia M K, Jack M, Wilfred P, Rosie T & Poppy W

**3S:** William B, Iden B, Charlie B, Keyon F, Nancy G, Evelyn G, Michelle L, George L, Evie N, Evangeline R, Alex R, Charlotte S & Olivers U

**3P:** Freddie B, Poppy C-M, Mariella G, Micah H, Arthur J, Isla J, Marianne L, Billy N, Louis P, Theo R, Lula R & Annabelle S

**4S:** Nellie B, Jack B, Kevin C-B, Layla G, Adrian H, Phoebe H, Billy M, Emil P, Sofia S & Francis W-M

**4P:** Jack A, Amy A, Winniemae C-K, Elkie C, Ewa G, Beth G, Billy H, Elias H, Sophia H, Ava M, Herbie M, Georgia R, Joshy S, Martins U & Lily W

**5S:** Benjamin A, Penny B, Jordan C, David G, Finlay J, Ruby M, Josh M, Lucas T, Elliott T, Niamh T & Yves V

**5P:** Pearl B O'F, James B, Felicity B, Imogen C, Miles C, Teddy F, Regan K, Patrick K, Sapphire M, Mackenzie M, Teddy N, Alfie O & Bobby S

**6S:** Arthur B, Lucas D, Isaac H, Jaxon L, Lily-Rose U, Xavier W, Logan W & Connor W

**6P:** Dayo D, Oscar H, Amelia H, Evie H, Eli J, Anya K, Leon K, Lucy L, Amy M, Sabrina M-T, Jack M, Bella S & Jasmine V

### Headteacher Award – Helping Others

Edward P from 2S received a special Headteacher Award last week. For the second year running, Edward took part in a 3km Santa Sprint to raise money for Queenscourt Hospice. Dressed as Father Christmas, Edward ran with hundreds of others and managed to raise £200. Fantastic job, Edward!

### Dates for the Diary

Advance notice that we are having a **Year 6 SATS meeting** for parents on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 6.00pm**. This is an opportunity for parents to find out more about the Standard Assessment Tests (SATs) that will be taking place during the week beginning **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026**.

Staff will be sharing information about SATs week and also about ways in which you can help your child to prepare for these tests.

On **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February**, Mrs Taylor is running a meeting / workshop for parents of children in **Year 4** ahead of children completing the statutory **Multiplication Tables Check** during the week beginning **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026**. The workshop will start at **9.00am and last approximately 45 minutes**. Parents will have an opportunity to find out more about the Multiplication Tables Check and ways in which they can help your child to prepare for this. We are hoping that lots of parents are able to attend these meetings and look forward to seeing as many people as possible.

### Contact Details

Please ensure that we have up to date contact details for at least 2 different adults per child. In the event of an emergency, we need to be able to reach people quickly. If your contact details change, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can update our records accordingly. Thank you.

