



Newsletter 19th November 2021

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With love we grow!

“Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others.” - Pope Francis

**“There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates loot on Treasure Island”-
Walt Disney**

School Admissions for September 2022 - Primary school admission applications are open for September 2022. If you have a child in pre school at nursery, please go to <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>. School faith forms are available from the school office or on our website and must be returned to the school office. Please also have a look at our school website to see our lovely new film so you can see more about us in action.

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Parents' Evening - This will be held virtually via 'Schoolcloud' you will receive a booking link at 5pm today. The days are as follows: 7th December - KS2, 8th December - EYFS & KS1. Appointments are restricted to 5 mins and cannot be extended. We request that where possible parents who are separated share appointment times rather than duplicating as these are being held remotely - this can be done by sharing the booking once made.

Scholastic Book Fair - This arrives in school on Wednesday next week and will be available for the children to browse through during school time and available after school for parents to make purchases. Details will follow next week how to access the fair after school, as there are still some after school clubs taking place in the hall next week.

Cinema Trip - Whole school cinema trip Thursday 16th December. The children will go to the cinema by coach and will return in time to have their school meal as normal. We are watching Encanto (so please don't book to see this ahead of our visit and spoil the surprise). We request that parents pay for entry to the cinema at a cost of £7.15 per pupil via Eduspot, this entry price includes a drink and a snack box, the PTFA will pay for transport.

PTFA Autumn Social (Disco) - Thank you for supporting this event which was an amazing success and raised £400. Taz (DJ) did an amazing job, entertaining the children brilliantly; they all had a great time.

Christmas Joy New Toy Appeal - As part of The Christmas Joy Project, co-ordinated by Chorley Council, the Catholic Community in Chorley, have been invited to donate new toys for distribution to families in Chorley. If you want to donate new toys, then please just bring them into school, unwrapped. From w/c Monday 6th December, SVP Chorley Buddies will collect the toys from school, take them to St Laurence's for storage and distribution by Chorley Council to families who might need some help this Christmas. St Laurence's are having a Toy Service on Sunday 5th December at 9am if anyone wishes to attend. The last collection from school will be on Friday 10th December. Thank you for bringing some Joy into people's lives this Christmas!

Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day - This will be on Wednesday 15th December, please ensure that if your child wishes to have a Christmas dinner you must pre-book this on 'Schoolmoney' as the catering order will be placed the week prior to this.

Nasal Flu Vaccine - All children who should have received the nasal flu vaccine have received it today. If your child was unwell and/or not in school, the nurses will return as part of their catchup programme so your child will still be able to have the vaccine. All children who have received the vaccine today have a slip in their bags for your records.

Baptism - If any parents whose school children are not baptised and you would like them to be baptised, please let school know ASAP. The Parish will be looking to do a small group baptism in the coming months (ideally before Christmas).

Christmas Plays & Carol Service - KS1, Reception and their Yr 6 buddies will be filming a Christmas play which will be available to parents online. KS2 will go to church for a carol service which will take place during school time and unfortunately not available for parents and carers to attend due to numbers in church.

Christmas Cards - If children are wishing to send Christmas cards, there will be a post box in each class from 1st December, cards will be distributed in the last week of term.

Twitter Accounts - Reminder of class twitter pages

School - @stjosephsander2 Reception - @EYFSwithMissS
Year 1 - @Year1withMsG1 Year 2 - @Year2withMissJ1 Year 3 - @Year3MrsP
Year 4 - @Year4withMrsC Year 5 - @Year5withMissB Year 6 - @Year6withMrM1

Dates for your diary

22nd November - 6.30pm Y4 With you Always (in school)

24th - 30th November - Scholastic Book Fair in school

28th November - First Sunday of Advent

29th November - Advent begins in school.

30th November - 7.30pm PTFA AGM @ The Top Spinners

1st December - Children can start bringing Christmas cards to school.

6th December - 6.30pm Service of Reconciliation/Confession (in Church)

7th December - KS2 Parents' Evening 2-6pm (remotely via Schoolcloud)

8th December - EYFS & KS1 Parents' Evening 2-6pm (remotely via Schoolcloud)

15th December - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

16th December - Wigan Empire - Encanto (whole school trip), please book & pay online.

17th December - School closes at 3:15pm for Christmas