



# Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020



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**With love we grow!**

## Stars of the Week

We are very proud to announce our 'Stars of the Week' for last week. Well done !

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
4/12/20	Darcey P	Alfie W	Evie L	Jessica W	Maeve L	Maddie O	Tilly S

**"The Child Jesus reveals the tenderness of God's immense love surrounding each one of us." Pope Francis**

**Change to School Closure** - Reminder that school closes for Christmas after school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December and reopens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January which is a change to our published holidays pattern.

**Parents Evening** - Despite the challenges of being unable to host our normal parents' evening, it ran exceptionally smoothly and we thank you for the lovely comments of support that you fed back to us. The children this term have been absolutely amazing and are a great credit to you all.

**PTFA Sponsored Santa Dash** - Between the children, yesterday and today, they have managed to complete an amazing number of laps around the track in completing the Santa Dash. We definitely have some budding Mo Farah's amongst us! They have completed a total of 970 laps which x 400m plus a sprinkle of fairy dust and a brisk North wind was far enough that they ran as far as the North Pole!!!! So far you have raised £1285 and a lot of parents have kindly filled in and returned the 'Gift Aid' forms which will allow the PTFA to claim the tax back on those donations. Any outstanding payments can still be made via Eduspot and any additional sponsorship can be sent into school in a named envelope and dropped at the office.

**Derian House Christmas Flumps** - We still have a few left in each class. Please help us to raise money for Derian House by purchasing a flump, an elf (or two) at £2 each. Please send the correct money as we do not have any change in school and all monies are placed directly into the Derian House collection tubs.

**Christmas Hampers** - These will be raffled off by each class at the end of next week. You can still buy virtual tickets via Eduspot at a cost of £1 each. This will show as a £5 payment but you can pay as many £1 instalments as you like up to £5. The draws will take place next Thursday. Each class has made up several hampers all of them looking amazing. See your class Twitter page to see some of the lovely hampers.

**Christmas Dinner**- The children have really enjoyed taking part in these events, the Christmas dinner went down a treat with the children managing to eat in the hall without a bubble being broken! Thank you very much to Mrs Wright and Mrs Monk who worked very hard to facilitate this for the children.

**The Christmas Joy Project and Chorley Buddies** - Thank you so much to those who have donated to the 'Christmas Toy Appeal', your generosity will bring a smile to many children's faces over Christmas time. Also Chorley Buddies and the SVP want to ensure there is nobody lonely this Christmas. If you know anyone who would benefit from receiving a call and a friendly chat, please with their consent pass on their details as below.

There are two ways to refer

- Email the details to [chorleybuddies@hotmail.com](mailto:chorleybuddies@hotmail.com) (If you are referring someone else, you MUST have their permission to share their contact details)
- Call Chorley Buddies on 01257 542367

If you would like to help by phoning someone who may be lonely, please email or phone as above to volunteer.

**After School Clubs** - There are no after school clubs next week.

**New Intake September 2020** - If any new parents would like to make an appointment to visit school in January or have any questions they would like to ask, please call the school office to make arrangements. Tel 01257 480598. Please note the school office is closed for the duration of the school holidays. Our 'Supplementary Faith Form' is available on our school website. Please note the deadline for all applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

**School Spider App** - your username is your name in lower case with no spaces i.e. 'fredflintstone', click reset password/forgotten password and use the email address registered with school.

**Twitter Accounts** -

School - @stjosephsander2

Reception - @EYFSwithMissS

Year 1 - @Year1withMsG1

Year 2 - @Year2withMissJ1

Year 3 - @Year3MrsP

Year 4 - @year4withmissd

Year 5 - @Year5withMrM1

Year 6 - @Year6WithMrsC1



### **Covid Related Information**

**Track & Trace** - If any member of your household is contacted by track & trace and told to self-isolate please advise school as soon as possible. If anyone subsequently develops symptoms please contact school.

**Home Learning/Isolating during Covid** - If your child is required to be off school due to coronavirus symptoms or self isolating, the links to for home learning for the school curriculum are now available on the class pages on our school website and can be accessed here <https://www.st-josephs-anderton.lancs.sch.uk/classes>. For whole class closure details will be sent at the time.

**Child Ill?** - Please see the guidance information on our website.