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Newsletter No.7

Dear Parents,

Y6 Confirmation

Will take place on tomorrow, Saturday 24th November, 6pm, at Holy Trinity Church. Bishop Robert Byrne will be Confirming all 30 Year 6 children. We wish them good luck and our prayers. If you intend joining with the Sacramental Celebration please note the following from Mike Gaffney, M.C- Holy Trinity:

Please convey this important message to all parents and relatives of those children making their confirmation.

*Could all parents and relatives attending the 6.00pm Confirmation Mass at Holy Trinity travelling by car please use Bishop Vesey Car Park which is situated in Boswell Road (opposite Holy Trinity). Holy Trinity Car park has limited spaces and driveways and exits must be kept clear for Emergencies. **Car parking in the church car park will be for parishioners and those with disabilities only.** Parking on the drive in front of the church is not permitted and is only for emergency vehicles. The Bishop Vesey car park is situated near to the bottom of Boswell Road on the right hand side. Please **do not** park in Boswell Road as this is residents parking only and also on any other part of the school site. Parking is not allowed on the Lichfield Road. Enforcement Officers are active. Also parking is not allowed on the pavement in front of the apartments adjacent to Holy Trinity Presbytery and also in the Presbytery car park. Many Thanks for your co-operation to make everything run smoothly.*

This week's award winner. The awards are as follows:

The Tidiness Award

FYP

Lining Up award

Y1G

Lunchtime Behaviour Award

Y5L

The Attendance Award

Y4I with 98.3%

Attendance

We have 360 children on our school register, all should be aiming to achieve the highest possible attendance. Currently our overall school attendance figure since 3rd September is 96.54% which is very good.

However, we have a growing number of pupils with an attendance that is below 93% at this stage of the school year. 93% attendance is equivalent to **missing 2½ weeks so far this year, more than ½ a day each week.** The office will be writing to those in this group shortly to arrange a meeting with the phase leader. Please try to encourage your child to attend school whenever possible, as missing ½ a day each week can create gaps in their learning and be harmful in the long run. Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 4I Assembly

Well done for a wonderful assembly this morning reminding us all to do acts of kindness!

Advent Wreath -If you would like to donate an Advent Wreath in memory of a loved one, please contact Emma in the Office. Thank you.

Nativity dates and Carol performances

We have arranged the dates for these Christmas performances:

Unfortunately, we have to limit the numbers allowed into each performance due to our Fire Risk Assessment.

- **FYR and FYP** will perform a number of **Carols and Hymns with a Nativity tableau** on **Tuesday 11th December at 9.15am.** A Maximum of 4 tickets per family @ £1each
- **Y1G&W and Y2M&E** will perform their **Nativity** on **Tuesday 18th December 9.20am** and **Wednesday 19th December 9.20pm.** A Maximum of 4 tickets per family, 2 per performance @ £1each
- **KS2** will perform their **Carol Concert** on the final day of term, **Friday 21st December at 1.30-2.30pm.**

Saturday 8th December – Christmas Fayre 12-2pm



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PTA –Christmas Fayre

In our efforts to generate quality items for the stalls the PTA have the following Non uniform days arranged in exchange for donation. Many thanks for the bottles, chocolate, DVDs and toys so far. Dates:

Thurs 29th Nov	- Filled Paper Bags -	Theme- Non Uniform & Christmas Jumper
Fri 7 th /Sat 8 th Dec	- Homemade cakes NO NUTS -	Theme- Non Uniform & Christmas Hats

OR A SMALL DONATION OF £1.

Please note that I do not wish to place undue expense or stress on any family, therefore, only give as much or as little as you feel able- all donation will be greatly appreciated.

Jameson Whiskey

We will be holding our 'infamous' Gaelic Coffee stall at the Christmas Fayre- however, **we still need a bottle of Jameson Whiskey donating**. If you can assist, please contact Emma in the Office. Thank you

Admission Consultation (see the St Joseph's website front page for the link)

[Bishop Walsh Catholic School Proposed Admissions Arrangements 2020/2021](#)

[Bishop Walsh Catholic School Proposed SIF Form 2020/2021](#)

Please contact via email John Farrell the St John Paul II Catholic Senior Executive Leader with any comments or questions regarding the proposed Admissions Arrangements 2020/2021 @ j.farrell@sjp2.net

School Closure due to bad weather information

Snow and bad weather closure: As we are now at the start of winter we have to plan for what would happen if (for the health and safety of the schools' community) the school had to close due to bad weather. We have in previous years made decisions as early as possible using the website and Parent Mail and such decisions will apply to all schools within the Multi-Academy. We will continue to use these mediums of fast communication if it becomes necessary. It can be quite difficult to get through to the local radio stations in the absence of a city wide decision but please check these sources of information if you have difficulty accessing the internet or a message. If you haven't received a text/email message on other occasions this year but have a mobile phone, please contact the school with your mobile number and your e-mail address so that it can be added to our database therefore ensuring fast communication when it becomes necessary in the future.

Mrs Chambers returns

On Monday we welcome back Mrs Chambers who is returning from maternity leave. As well as returning to her Assistant Principal role alongside Mrs Hill and myself, she will be teaching in FYP for 2 days a week as Mrs Prentice is reducing her hours to 3 days. I am sure FYP children (and parents) will enjoy the luxurious benefits of two fantastic EYFS teachers educating them. We wish Mrs Chambers good luck 'back at the ranch', and Mrs Prentice as she escapes a little!!

This weekend we celebrate the last Sunday of the Church's year, the feast of Christ the King. As the year draws to an end, we turn our thoughts to when Christ will return as king at the end of time.



Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe,
watch over us and guide us.
Help us to remember that whatever we do to others
we do to you.
Amen



Yours sincerely,

G.M. O'Hara
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Principal



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Other dates to note:

Y3 Holy Communion dates:

Sunday 16th June 2019 - 12.30pm First Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Y3B

Sunday 23rd June 2019 - 12.30pm First Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Y3T

(Letters will be sent out separately)

Dates for your diary – November / December		
Sat 24 th	6pm	YEAR 6 CONFIRMATION MASS AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Wed 28 th	10.00am	Y4L and 4I walk to Mass at Holy Trinity
Thurs 29 th	ALL day	Non uniform Day - Filled Paper Bags - Non Uniform & Christmas Jumper
Fri 30 th	9.00am	Year 6 Mass of Thanksgiving
Sunday 2 nd	9.00am	First Sunday of Advent and School/ Church family mass – all welcome
Tues 4 th	Am	Y5 and Y5 from Conway school have a joint tour of Holy Trinity Church lead by Deacon Daniel
Wed 5 th	10.00am	Y4T and 4B walk to Mass at Holy Trinity
Fri 7 th	ALL day	Non uniform Day – Cakes and any other donations that you missed ie bottles, chocolate... Non Uniform & Christmas Hats
Fri 7 th	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly – all welcome
Fri 7 th	2pm	Fire Fighters to visit Year 4
Saturday 8 th	12PM-2PM	Christmas Fayre at School



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