



# St. Jerome's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

## Collective Worship

As we continue to move through the season of Advent we have been thinking about peace and what it means to have peace in your life. We pray that there will be peace in our communities and the wider world.

## Indoor Athletics

We took a team of year 3 and 4 pupils to compete at Formby High School on Wednesday. They did a range of activities including indoor shot putt, indoor javelin, long jump and high jump. We did really well in the team relay and came an overall fourth. Well done to all the athletes.

## Lending Library

Please return any library books to school by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> at the latest. There are about 30 books overdue and we would like to get them all back in. Mrs. Allen will send a reminder home today to let you know if you have one of them.

## School Raffle

We are raffling a teddy and a monkey this year in school. Tickets are 50p each and we have placed a limit of five tickets per child. They will be sold by Class 5 pupils at breaks in the lending library.

## Fund-Raising - Matt Henderson

We are trying to raise funds to help one of our ex-pupils travel to the United States to receive treatment for a form of cancer that cannot be treated here in the U.K. Matt was a volunteer at the school about two years ago and has a strong family connection to the school to this day. We are holding a Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> when we have our school Christmas lunch and hope that people will donate whatever they can.

## Adverse Weather - Communication

In the event of school being affected in any way by adverse weather we would send out a message on via email and Twitter giving you details. We would also ask local radio stations to help get information out to you.

## National Trust – Winter Solstice Event

We have one more class who will complete their art which will be part of the artwork at this event. The children have really enjoyed working with the National Trust and are proud to be part of a community event that celebrates our beautiful locality.

## Trussell Trust Foodbank

We would like to collect food to donate to the local foodbanks again this year. Last year we had a fantastic response from all of you and we took two car loads of tins and packets to the Southport and South Sefton foodbanks. We will be collecting from now on and up to the last day of term so please send in any non-perishable foods and we will gather them in the school foyer.

## Parking

The parking on Edenhurst Drive has not been a problem for residents for a long period of time however we have been made aware that there have been vehicles parked across driveways and obstructing the pavements recently. Please park with consideration for residents, pedestrians and other road users so that we can minimise the risk of an accident.

### Village Nativity

The musical nativity will take place on Sunday at Formby Pool. Everyone is invited to come and share this re-telling of the Birth of Jesus from 2pm onwards.

### Children's Liturgy Group

The group meet during 9am mass at St. Jerome's Church and all are very welcome.

Enjoy the weekend

Regards,

Mrs. Monaghan

### Dates for your Diary

PTA Christmas Fair - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm - Parish Hall

Village Nativity - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2pm - Formby Village

Christmas Plays - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm and 6.30pm

Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December - decorate your lunch box in festive fashion or bring a cracker if you are having a hot lunch! Donations for Matt Henderson welcomed.

Infants Pantomime Visit - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Parish Party - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2pm - Please let any senior parish members know that they are invited to this annual event hosted by Class 6 pupils

School Christmas Mass - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am - (All pupils attending)

Term ends at 2pm - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

National Trust Winter Solstice Event - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 5pm Lifeboat Road

School opens: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

