

*"With Christ as our guide we let our light shine."*

### *A Message from Mrs. Blincow...*

Dear Parent/Carers,

Our week started with a beautiful Gospel reflection, for the Feast of Christ the King, which marks the end of the church's liturgical year.

Later in the week, the children of Year 2 celebrated the feast day of their class saint, Andrew, and with their parents watching on, recounted his life and death and how he became the patron saint of Scotland. The celebration ended with a traditional Scottish dance, which many of the parents joined in. Thankyou everyone who came to support the children.

Year 2, were also lucky enough to have Father Daniel celebrate Mass with them. It was a beautiful occasion and one we hope to repeat in the near future.

With our minds turning to Advent, which begins on Sunday, Deacon Michael helped us prepare our Advent wreath. After a beautiful service, lead by the children, he blessed the wreath ready for us to use it during this season of preparing.

Thank you in anticipation of your support at the PTFA's Christmas Fair. See next week's newsletter for pictures and details.

*Have a lovely weekend*

*Mrs Blincow*



## Blessing of the Advent Candle



On Friday, we were joined by Deacon Michael, from St. Patrick's Parish Church in Duston. The children lead a beautiful service, with Readings and prayers, which culminated in the making of our Advent Wreath. As the children placed the circular ring, evergreen leaves and red berries and finally the 3 purple and one pink candles, others explained the significance of each of the parts of the Advent Wreath. The service ended with Deacon Michael blessing the wreath. As we enter this season of Advent, which begins on Sunday, we will light a candle on our Advent Wreath each week, to remind us about the importance of Christ in our lives, to celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas, and to anticipate his second coming at a future time.

## Term Dates

Term Begins

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Staff INSET Day

Children off

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

EYFS / KS1 Nativity Performances

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

KS2 Carols Around The Tree

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Term Ends

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

3.15PM

## St. Andrew's Day Celebration



Year 2 celebrated their class saint's feast day with a beautiful assembly, where they remembered the life and mission of St. Andrew. The patron saint of Scotland, the children then treated us to some traditional Scottish ceilidh dancing, encouraging some of their parents, who had joined us for the celebration, to join in too. Well done Year 2 and thank you to the parents who came to support them.

## Year 2 Class Mass



Father Daniel celebrated Mass with the children of Year 2 this week. The children prepared the readings and bidding prayers for the service, which took place on the Feast Day of their class saint, Saint Andrew. It was a beautiful occasion with the children 'signing' the Communion Hymn. A Beautiful occasion.

## Basketball Winners



Last weekend, some of our children, took part in a basketball competition, competing against lots of schools from across Northampton. Not only did they win the competition, they were also highly praised for their excellent behaviour and sportsmanship. Well done!

## Year 6 Anderson Shelters



As part of their topic on World War II, the children of Year 6 were tasked to design and make a model Anderson shelter. The results were fantastic and are on display in our school library. Well done everyone.

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