



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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*“With Christ as our guide, we let our light shine.”*

## *A Message from Mrs Yuen...*

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we saw snow flurries - the cold weather is certainly upon us. The children were very excited by this and one child asked me, 'Is it Christmas?' The children are beginning to prepare for their nativity and Christmas performances and next week we will be putting the stage up for their rehearsals.

Thank you for your support with our British Legion Poppy Appeal, together we raised £159.20 for this worthwhile cause.

Please can I remind parents of Key Stage 2 children, if you would like your child to be part of the Advent Reflection at the cathedral, to send the reply slip back as soon as possible. The children have been busy preparing for this and the singing is beautiful. Please do support us in representing St Mary's and spreading Advent joy.

Very soon we are welcoming back the theatre company for the performance of Cinderella. This has become an annual event and one the children really love. Full details have been sent out via MCAS, please look out for this.

The days are flying by and during these busy weeks, we encourage you to check the dates for events- as so much is happening including the PTA Disco!

Have a wonderful weekend

**Best wishes,  
Mrs Yuen**

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion**



## School Parliament meets...



The School Parliament ably led by our Head Boy and Head Girl met again this week. They gathered pupils' viewpoints. Then the head Pupils met with Mrs Yuen to share the minutes. Which will now be considered carefully. They presented their ideas eloquently. Well done!

## Term Dates

Half Term Holiday

28<sup>th</sup> October- 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Thursdays** this half term- Year 5 Swimming  
**26<sup>th</sup> November** – Yr 6 Mass at Nazareth House  
**27<sup>th</sup> November** – KS2 Cinema Visit  
**1<sup>st</sup> December** – Start of Advent  
**4<sup>th</sup> December** – School Pantomime 'Cinderella'  
**4<sup>th</sup> December** – Advent Reflection at the Cathedral 5pm  
**10<sup>th</sup> December** – Rec/KS1 Nativity 9.45am + 2pm  
**11<sup>th</sup> December** - Yr 5 Mass at Nazareth House  
**12<sup>th</sup> December** – School Christmas Lunch/ Non Uniform day in aid of Caritas  
**13<sup>th</sup> December** - **Carols on the Heath 4pm**  
**17<sup>th</sup> December** – PTA School Christmas Disco  
**18<sup>th</sup> December** - 'Carols around the Tree' KS2 2pm

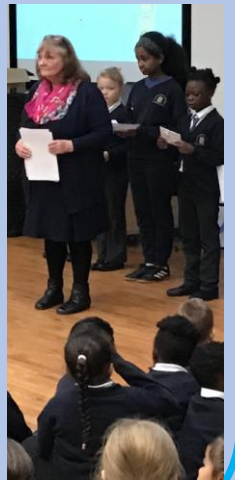
## Story retelling in Year 1 Class



In Year 1 class, they have been retelling the story 'No Dinner!'. The children have been creating freeze frames for key parts of the story. They have also worked together to sort the characters from the story.

## Our Lady Art Winners

We welcomed Mrs Gribble from St Patrick's Church to our Celebration Assembly today. She awarded the children for their art interpretations of Mary.



## Number skills in Reception Class

Year R have been learning numbers bonds to 5 by exploring different ways to make 5 and writing the number sentence.



## Artwork of a dinosaur's eye in Year 1



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# PTA Christmas Disco

**Tuesday 17th December  
in the School Hall**

**Reception, Year 1 and 2**

**3.45pm-4.45pm**

**Years 3-6**

**4.45pm-6pm**

**£4 a**

**ticket**

**includes a drink  
and crisps**

# PTA Christmas Disco

**Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are invited to attend from 3.45pm-4.45pm.**

**School staff will supervise from 3.15pm-3.45pm if required.**

**Children must be collected from their usual classroom at 4.45pm.**

**Price includes a drink and crisps.**

**Year 3 to Year 6 are invited to attend from 4.45pm-6.00pm.**

**Children must arrive with and be collected by a responsible adult from their usual classroom at 6pm – please leave coats and mobile phones with the adult that drops off.**

**Crisps and drink included.**

## **Sweetie Shop**

**Children may bring money to purchase a sweet bag from a tuck shop 50p and £1 bags available**

**Tickets available on MCAS- all proceeds will go to PTA Funds to support more exciting events.**