



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

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start our journey into advent we take time to carefully prepare as a school community for the coming of Our Lord, Jesus. This week the children have participated in an Advent enrichment day. The focus being, "Waiting patiently in joyful hope." The children have been exploring what this means through carefully planned activities. We have been delighted with their responses including their thoughtful actions for others.



There is also great excitement as the Nativity rehearsals gather momentum. You should by now have received letters about these and details of the costumes needed. Please remember we are always here to help if you require any support with this.

We are currently planning extra performances so that parents are able to come and watch safely. Full details will be sent out next week and will be subject to the latest guidance on gatherings.

Thank you to everyone who supported the school during our recent inspection. The kind messages of support were lovely to receive. We are awaiting the report and will share this with you as soon as we can.

*Advent is a time of hopeful waiting; a time when we answer the call to prepare ourselves: "Be vigilant at all times." May our prayerful observance of this season of Advent draw us nearer to our loving and merciful God.*

Have a wonderful weekend.

**Best Wishes**  
**Mrs Yuen**

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## Term Dates

### Term Starts

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November

### Staff Inset Days

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

### Term Ends

17<sup>th</sup> December

### Upcoming Events

8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas

Pantomime

10<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas

Jumper Day

15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas

Dinner

## Eco Challenge



### Year 1s Eco Challenge!

Thank you for all your photographs from last week! This week's challenge is

**Can you turn off your TV for the evening and play a game with your family?**

We can't wait to see your photo evidence and find out what

games you chose!

[Admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk](mailto:Admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk)

Let's see how far we can spread our important message!

## Waiting Patiently in Joyful Hope Enrichment Day

On Thursday we joined other catholic children around the country for a CAFOD national assembly. Throughout the day we explored the theme 'Waiting Patiently in Joyful Hope' as we prepared our hearts this Advent



The children created Stars of Hope, stay awake lanterns and wrote their advents prayers and wishes to send to St Patrick's Church.

## Mary's Meals

Each class is raising money for the charity 'Mary's Meals'. Their vision is that every child receives a meal in their place of education. With every 8p raised we help another child. The children have been busy filling up their class mugs so far and we thank you all for your kind and continued generosity.

mary's  
meals

a simple solution  
to world hunger

## Upcoming Events

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December the children can wear their Christmas jumper if they wish to do so with their school uniform. We are asking for a donation of tins/packets of food for Kings heath Foodbank.



Wednesday

15<sup>th</sup>

December

Book a Christmas dinner and your child's name will be entered into the prize draw to win a baking kit.

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