

# St Robert's R.C. First School Newsletter

6th December 2019



Head Teacher: Mr D Sutcliffe

**We care, we serve, we learn together in the love and truth of Jesus**



*Next week's Statement to live by : I can share my gifts with the world*

Upcoming Diary Dates	
Monday 9/12	Liturgy Year 3 Swimming
Tuesday 10/12	PE Art Club
Wednesday 11/12	3.30 Y3&4 Carol Singing at Millenium Green Dance Club
Thursday 12/12	2pm Nativity Y1-4 Multi-Skills Club
Friday 13/12	Library—all books to be returned please 6pm Nativity Y1-4 Dance Club



- N Roan
- R Eden
- 1 Jacob
- 2 Grace
- 3 Eileen
- 4 Alex



- N Layla
- R Rosa
- 1 Oliver
- 2 Jack D
- 3 Fethera
- 4 Nadia

### Attendance challenge:

Rec - 96.4%  
Year 1 - 97.9%  
Year 2 - 89.2%  
Year 3 - 98.1%  
Year 4 - 91.0%  
Whole school: 94.7%  
National target: 96%



Last weeks attendance winners:

Year 3

### CHRISTMAS FESTIVE FILMS:

Following the success of the PTFA discos the staff would like to change the party afternoons to Festive Film afternoons. All the children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas and spend the afternoon watching a festive film together, along with a few games too! School will provide hot chocolate (milk/water) and popcorn for the children.

Monday 16th Nursery/  
Reception  
Tuesday 17th Years 1/2  
Wednesday 19th Years 3/4

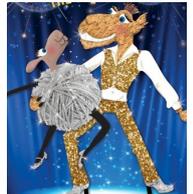


### EYFS CHRISTMAS MARKET

On Fri 13th Dec, children can bring up to £2 to buy gifts for their family (gifts will be sent home wrapped). Any donations of unwanted gifts for this will be gratefully received!

**NURSERY/RECEPTION NATIVITY:** Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who supported the children in Church on Wednesday and at Whitehouse Farm. The EYFS children have enjoyed telling the story of Babushka and they were fantastic!

**NATIVITY Y1-Y4:** "Lights, Camel, Action: The Sequin!" on Thursday 12th @2pm and Friday 13th @6pm. Doors will open 40mins before each show. Mr Sutcliffe will direct parents to seats. It will not be possible to reserve seats. We ask that Parents and extended family attend only one performance due to limited space within Church. Children will leave their costumes in school on Thursday after the performance. All children should be back in school by 5:30pm on Friday, to get dressed in their costume.



**PTFA CHRISTMAS DRINKS:** After each performance the PTFA will be providing a festive drink and mince pie in the School Hall and everyone is welcome. Raffle tickets will be available for some fantastic hampers!

**CRAZY HAT/HAIR DAY:** The PTFA would like to say a big thank you to everyone for all the fantastic donations we received on Crazy hair/hat Day.

**CRIB BLESSING:** It was lovely to have our annual crib blessing. Mr Sutcliffe shared an idea with the children which everyone might like to do. On the third Sunday of Advent (Bambinelli Sunday) in St Peter's Square Rome, Pope Francis will bless the figures of baby Jesus from everyone's nativity scene. The figures of baby Jesus are taken home and wrapped up and placed under the tree. It should then be the first gift the family opens on Christmas morning and placed into the crib. Even though you might not get to Rome it is a lovely idea for every family to do.



**SCHOOL OFFICE:** Mrs Perkins will not be in school on Monday 9th December please can all non-urgent requests be kept until the Tuesday. Thank you in advance.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND JUMPER DAY:** This will take place on Wednesday 18th December. All the children can wear their Christmas jumpers (or a jumper of their choice) for their Christmas dinner. Please let Mrs Perkins know by Friday 6th December if your child will NOT be having a Christmas dinner.



**CRACKERS:** We have decided this year not to purchase Christmas Crackers for the Christmas lunch due to the amount of single use plastic involved in the small toys found inside. Instead each child will make their own party hat in school to wear at the lunch. In place of a cracker the children will be given a beautiful festive bookmark to treasure.

**PANTO:** The Panto this year is Jack and the Beanstalk, which will be performed by Chaplins at school on Friday 20th December at 1.30pm for the whole school! We would be very grateful for a voluntary contribution of £5 for each child for this wonderful treat and this payment request is now on School Gateway, thank you.

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