

Newsletter



St. Anselm's Catholic Primary School

3/12/2021

Dear Parents

Last week, Year 3 joined children from other schools across the borough to perform in the Winter Sounds concert at Fairfield Halls. The performance was a great celebration of musical talent from Wandsworth primary and secondary schools, and the Primary Choir sang beautifully. My thanks go to Mrs Kelly and Miss Ireland who gave up their evening to enable the children to take part.



It was also lovely to hear the whole school singing once again in church, during our Advent Mass on Monday. The children sounded so lovely that we are going to try and sing two of the songs to parents on the playground on **Monday morning (6th), at about 9:10**, weather permitting.

Fr Arbogast blessed our school Advent Wreath during our Advent Mass on Monday.



We are always very grateful for the money that we receive through parental donations to our Friends' Fund. This money will enable us to undertake our current building project, to re-purpose our IT suite into an additional learning space for groups of children. We are just waiting for plans to be finalised, and hopefully, work will start next week.

If you would like to make a one-off, or regular donation to our Friends' Fund, please fill out a mandate form and Gift Aid form which are on our website, and also attached to this email.

Christmas productions

See below for a reminder of Christmas performance procedures. Everyone in the audience aged 11 or over will be required to wear a mask, unless they are exempt.

7th December at 2:15pm: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Production

9th December at 2:15pm: Reception Nativity

15th December at 2:00pm: Key Stage 2 Pantomime — Year 3 and 4 parents only

15th December at 7:00pm: Key Stage 2 Pantomime. **All KS2 children to return to school in their costumes, at 6:40pm** — Year 5 and 6 parents only

If you have children in more than one KS2 class, please only attend the performance once. All children will be performing in both performances. If you have more than one child in a performance, we are limiting to 2 guests per family.

These arrangements are of course dependent on our COVID status at the time, and we may have to make changes if the number of cases rise again. The productions will not be filmed, unless we reach a stage where we can't have visitors on site and have to stop parents attending.

Please be reminded that the children should be wearing school uniform hats and scarves only. These are available from our school suppliers. Don't forget to label them clearly — I am constantly picking up items that aren't labelled, which means they can't return them to their owners.

Year 6 went to Balham Tube Station yesterday as part of their history learning about World War 2. They saw the memorial that remembers those that were killed in the station during the blitz, when a bomb fell on the road.



Unfortunately we won't be able to distribute children's Christmas cards in school this year.

Dates

December

7th Y1 and Y2 performance 2:15pm

9th Reception nativity 2:15pm

10th Christmas Jumper Day

14th Christmas lunch

15th KS2 Pantomime 2pm and 7pm

16th Christmas parties

17th End of term: **2:00pm**

Term starts on 6th January 2022

Christmas Jumper Day 10th Dec

We will be raising money for the local Dons Action Group, so please bring a suggested donation of £1 to school on that day. It would be lovely if the children could be encouraged to donate some of their own money to help them understand the importance of giving.

Best wishes

H. Elwes

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Headteacher



Isaiah 11:1-2 "Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, and a branch from his roots will bear fruit."