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Dear Parents and Carers,

Very nearly there!

This week we have had 7 Christmas performances and the children have been brilliant in spite of sickness. Thank you so much for supporting every performance with a full hall. The children have also loved watching other classes perform.

Dates for your diary

15th December Parish Carol service 4pm In Church please come

17th December – Class Christmas parties

19th December – Children's Christmas Dinner

Christmas Jumper for Jimmy Day

Break up for Christmas Holiday 3pm

Years 3 and 4 went to the Unicorn theatre to see a performance of the Canterville Ghost. The children said it was fantastic. We are very lucky to have access to such high-quality performances.

On Thursday, 5K joined our parish for morning mass. This was a lovely opportunity to enrich their understanding of the mass.

Goodbye

On Thursday, we will very sadly be saying 'Goodbye' to two of our longstanding members of staff.

Mrs Peake will be leaving us to move to Scotland with her family. She has worked at this school for 25 years and will be a huge loss. Mrs Yong will also be a huge loss. She has worked with us for 16 years and will be leaving us to join her husband's business. They have both given an incredible service to our community and will be greatly missed. We wish them every happiness in the future.

Christmas Parties

The children will be having their class parties on Tuesday. We will be asking you for a <u>small</u> food donation if possible for your child's class. Your child's class teacher will let you know what is required. The children will be expected to wear school uniform on this day.

Christmas performances

Monday 16th December – 6F 2pm in the Main Hall





















Christmas Dinner

The children will be having Christmas Dinner on Thursday and they can wear Christmas Jumpers or festive wear (no uniform). We are asking the children to donate £1 for the Jimmy Mizen Charity. If your child usually has a packed lunch, you will need to inform the school office if you would like your child to have a Christmas dinner on this day.

Applying to start primary school for September 2020

Applications for Reception Class places for September 2020 can now be made on line. Please follow this link: https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-primary-school

The deadline for applying for a primary school place is 15 January 2020

Attendance for this week

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Reception A	82%	Year 3F	91%
Reception CO	94%	Year 4F	99%
Year 1LO	94%	Year 4C	100%
Year 1UB	95%	Year 5K	88%
Year 2A	93%	Year 5G	96%
Year 2M	95%	Year 6F	84%
Year 3T	97%	Year 6M	90%

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

Coffee morning after Sunday 9:00am Mass

Whether you attend the 9:00am Mass or turn up early for the 11:00am Mass on Sundays, please do come and in and join us in the church hall after the 9:00am Mass for tea, coffee, biscuits, squash and a chat.

Parish Christmas Concert. The Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes Christmas concert will be this Sunday 15th December here in the church at 4pm and will last around 1 hour with refreshments to follow in the Hall. As usual the programme will be a mix of familiar carols and Christmas songs that are less well known along with some seasonal reflections. There will of course be an opportunity for you to join in the singing of a number of the popular standards to make sure you are in good cheer and voice for the main Christmas services later in the month. Please do come along to this very popular seasonal concert and bring your friends and family. A retiring collection will be taken for Christmas charities and to defray some Chorus costs. Please see poster attached and please do display if possible.

This year we are hoping that there will also be a group of St Winifred's children performing two other carols as part of this event, so please do come and support them as well.

<u>Community Carol Singing</u>: The Chorus have been invited back again this year to two local pubs to lead community carol singing which in the past has always been a great fun evening and an opportunity to meet friends and family in a social setting and get in the Christmas spirit.

The dates for your diary are:

Monday 16th December at 7pm in the Lord Northbrook, 116 Burnt Ash Road, SE12 8PU just DOWN the hill from the church and - Thursday 19th December at 7-30pm in the Crown Tavern, 117 Burnt Ash Hill SE12 0AJ - just UP the hill from the church.

Christmas Craft sales.

<u>Thank you so much for your support after all the masses last weekend – we raised over £1,400 for parish funds.</u>

Community Carol poster: http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Christmas-2019-beer-and-carols-poster.pdf

Christmas Concert poster: http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Christmas-concert-2019.pdf

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan