



HOLY NAME CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER: DECEMBER 2017



Please be advised that all school documentation is available in different formats, on request.

Christmas is coming! The fairies have been! The decorations are up!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school clubs for those children with a surname beginning A – L and all sports clubs will finish on Friday 8 December. We will send out letters in January about new clubs starting for those children with a surname M – Z and for Reception children.

BOOSTER CLASSES

Booster classes for Year 6 will finish on Friday 8 December. We will let you know when they will be starting up again in January.

APPOINTMENTS IN SCHOOL TIME

It seems that some of our parents are operating a “flexi time” approach to school with appointments being made VERY regularly in the school day. Sometimes this cannot be helped, we know, but we ask parents to try to book them after the school day so that children do not miss out on their education. Teachers cannot repeat lessons as the curriculum is very demanding. Proof regarding ALL appointments MUST be presented at school please or it will be redeemed unauthorised and will be referred to the PAEWO.

YOU KNOW WHO'S VISIT

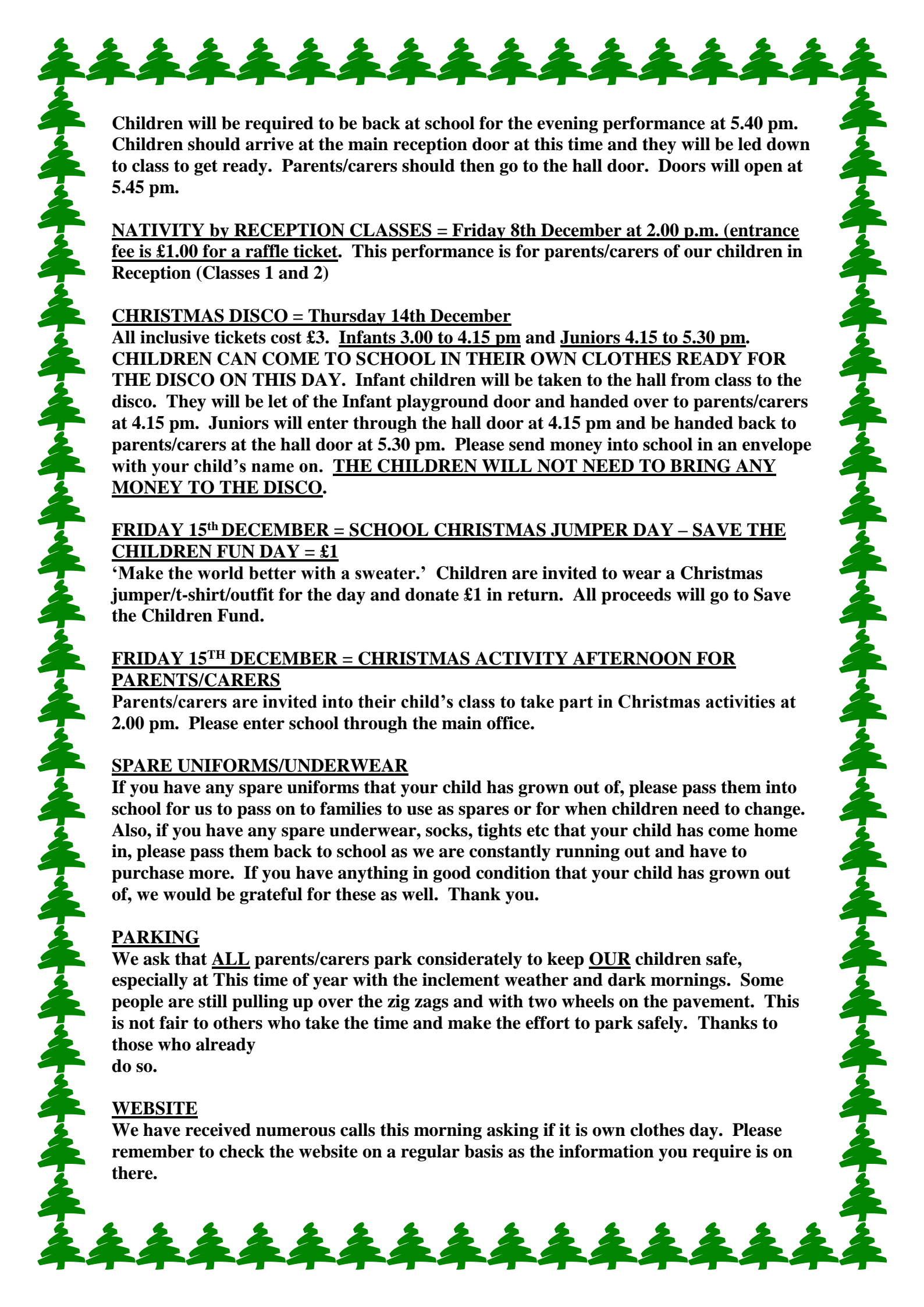
There are severe weather warnings at the North Pole but he will arrive as soon as he can. Please book ASAP with £3.50 to be put on the list for a chocolate treat and a photograph. Please send money in an envelope with your child's name and class on the front. Children will visit the grotto during the school day with their class teacher. However, younger siblings not yet attending our school will be able to go to the grotto on Thursday 7 December to see Father Christmas from 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm at a cost of £3.50. If you have a young child who would like to attend, please send the money into school in an envelope with the child and parent/carer's name and we will give you a ticket so we will know how many to expect. Thank you.

FAIR TRADE BINGO – THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER

The Fair Trade Committee are organising Fair Trade Bingo activities for the children. However there is no charge to the children. This will be done in classes during the school day.

INFANT NATIVITY PLAYS FOR CLASSES 3, 4 AND 5

Parents/carers are invited to the Nativity Play on Tuesday 12 December at 6.00 pm and Wednesday 12 December at 2.00 pm. All children in classes 3, 4 and 5 will take part in both performances.



Children will be required to be back at school for the evening performance at 5.40 pm. Children should arrive at the main reception door at this time and they will be led down to class to get ready. Parents/carers should then go to the hall door. Doors will open at 5.45 pm.

NATIVITY by RECEPTION CLASSES = Friday 8th December at 2.00 p.m. (entrance fee is £1.00 for a raffle ticket. This performance is for parents/carers of our children in Reception (Classes 1 and 2)

CHRISTMAS DISCO = Thursday 14th December

All inclusive tickets cost £3. **Infants 3.00 to 4.15 pm and Juniors 4.15 to 5.30 pm.** CHILDREN CAN COME TO SCHOOL IN THEIR OWN CLOTHES READY FOR THE DISCO ON THIS DAY. Infant children will be taken to the hall from class to the disco. They will be let of the Infant playground door and handed over to parents/carers at 4.15 pm. Juniors will enter through the hall door at 4.15 pm and be handed back to parents/carers at the hall door at 5.30 pm. Please send money into school in an envelope with your child's name on. **THE CHILDREN WILL NOT NEED TO BRING ANY MONEY TO THE DISCO.**

FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER = SCHOOL CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – SAVE THE CHILDREN FUN DAY = £1

‘Make the world better with a sweater.’ Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper/t-shirt/outfit for the day and donate £1 in return. All proceeds will go to Save the Children Fund.

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER = CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY AFTERNOON FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Parents/carers are invited into their child's class to take part in Christmas activities at 2.00 pm. Please enter school through the main office.

SPARE UNIFORMS/UNDERWEAR

If you have any spare uniforms that your child has grown out of, please pass them into school for us to pass on to families to use as spares or for when children need to change. Also, if you have any spare underwear, socks, tights etc that your child has come home in, please pass them back to school as we are constantly running out and have to purchase more. If you have anything in good condition that your child has grown out of, we would be grateful for these as well. Thank you.

PARKING

We ask that **ALL** parents/carers park considerately to keep **OUR** children safe, especially at This time of year with the inclement weather and dark mornings. Some people are still pulling up over the zig zags and with two wheels on the pavement. This is not fair to others who take the time and make the effort to park safely. Thanks to those who already do so.

WEBSITE

We have received numerous calls this morning asking if it is own clothes day. Please remember to check the website on a regular basis as the information you require is on there.

SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN

The school nurse is back and will start the monthly drop in sessions again this month. The first session is Thursday 7 December at 9.00 am. If you have any medical concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to come and speak to him in confidence.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM (Archdiocese)

This is offered by Jackie Brougham who can be contacted on Tel: 0789 179 5145 or by Email: jackiebrougham@btinternet.com.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 5.12.17 = Choir to the Blessing of the Crib at Aintree Hospital
- 6.12.17 = we celebrate St. Nicholas' Day (1st Father Christmas)
- 6.12.17 = Choir at Action for Children Concert at Anglican Cathedral
- 6.12.17 = Reconciliation at 3.15 p.m. in Church
- 7.12.17 = Class 6 Mass 9.15 a.m. in Church
- 7.12.17 = Reconciliation at 7.30 p.m. in Church
- 8.12.17 = Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- 8.12.17 = Reception Classes' Nativity (2.00 pm)
- 12.12.17 = Nativity Play at 6.00 p.m.
- 13.12.17 = Nativity Play at 2.00 p.m.
- 14.12.17 = Christmas Disco (letter to follow)
- 15.12.17 = Christmas Jumper Day (includes Nursery) 50p
- 15.12.17 = Christmas Activity Day – Parents are invited
- 18.12.17 = Choir to Ambeleigh House
- 21.12.17 = Carol Service at 2.00 pm (in church). All welcome
- 22.12.17 = End of term. School closes at 1.15 a.m.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

School closes Friday 22 December at 1.15 p.m. (early finish)

School re-opens Monday 8 January at 8.55 a.m.

Further dates are on the school website: holynamecatholicprimary.co.uk

As Christians, let us celebrate the birth of our Saviour, Christ the King.
May we find great JOY in our hearts as we remember to put Jesus first,
Others second and
Yourself third.

May we all find the peace that the Angel offered which can only come from Our Lord.
This Christmas may we enjoy the gift of love which comes from God alone; for He sent
His Only Son to this earth to be Our Saviour.

We wish everyone a happy and holy Christmas. Thank you for your support.
Hope Santa brings you lots of goodies. (If you have been good, that is.)

