



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This afternoon, we will be having our Christmas Fair in school. There are many stalls with games and activities for everyone to enjoy. Santa will also be making an appearance! I do hope that you are all able to come along and support what is sure to be a fantastic event. Many thanks to the members of the PA who have been incredibly busy this past week, preparing all the goods for the various stalls, and to all staff for their hard work in preparing their stalls and activities.

Have a good week,
Mrs Mumby

Christmas Fair, Thursday 1st December 3-5pm

The Fair will open at 3pm on Thursday 1st December. Parents may wish to collect children at 3pm on this day and visit the fair. If you do wish to collect your child at 3pm, you will need to go to the classroom doors, as usual, and come into the fair through the main entrance to school.

Christmas Pantomime

On Monday, we had our Christmas pantomime in school. The children, from Nursery to Year 6, were treated to a performance of Dick Whittington, in an event which was funded by the PA.

Advent

We have had a lovely start to advent in school with Mrs Warters leading us in the blessing of the advent wreaths last Friday, and then our first Advent Praise liturgy on Monday afternoon. Many thanks to Years 5 and 6 for leading us in this first Advent Praise of the season. Next week, it will be Years 3 and 4, and our final Advent Praise will be led by Late Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 on 12th December. All parents and carers are welcome to join us at 2.45pm for this prayerful reflection.

Book Fair

From Monday 5th December until Friday 9th December, we will have a Book Fair in school. All books and stationery items will be half the marked price. The book fair will run from 8.30am each morning, until the start of the school day, and will also be open at the end of the school day.

Author Visit – Andy Seed

We will be having a 'Reading Week,' during the week beginning 5th December. On Tuesday 6th December, the author Andy Seed will be visiting school, inspiring us all with his work. Andy will be working with the children throughout school, as well as leading a whole school assembly. During the day, there will be an opportunity for children to purchase a signed copy of one of Andy's books.

A leaflet has gone home, with details of the cost of these books. If your child wishes to buy a book for Andy Seed to sign, please send the money in to school, in a labelled envelope, with your child, on the morning of the author visit, Tuesday 6th December.

Once again, our thanks go to the members of the PA whose fundraising activities have contributed to funding this author visit.

Normanton Town Council Christmas Concert

This year the choir of St John the Baptist will be singing at the Normanton Town Council Christmas Concert. This will be held on Thursday 15th December, at 7.15pm, in St John the Baptist Church.

Gold Book Assembly

The next Gold book assembly of this year will take place on Friday 2nd November at 2.30pm. The following children have made it into the Gold Book this week. We are very proud of them, and their achievements:

Lunchtime Awards – Zuzanna Kurmaniak & Charley Smith

Late Foundation – Lucy Brow & Gabriel Latkowski

Year 1 – Jakub Olbrot & Joseph Gallivan

Year 2 – Kaine Williams & Natasha Cook

Year 3 – The Whole Class

Year 4 – Junior Redmond & Finley Machin

Year 5 – Ben Bowker & Jocelyn Deary

Year 6 – Joseph Dobson & James Lowe

100 Club

We still have some numbers remaining for the

100 club. These cost £10 per number.

Congratulations to last week's winner:

No.43 – Mrs Cole

School and Class Masses

All parents, parishioners and friends of the school are welcome to join us for school and class Masses. Class Masses are held in our school hall and, unless otherwise indicated, begin at 9.15am

Monday 19th December – Whole School Mass, 10am in church (Weather permitting)

Friday 13th January – Whole school Mass, 10am in church (Weather permitting)

Diary Dates

Thursday 1st December – Christmas Fair, 3pm

Monday 5th to Friday 9th December – Reading Week

Monday 5th December - Advent Praise led by Years 3 and 4, 2.45pm, parents welcome

Tuesday 6th December – Year 1 Normanton Town Council Christmas Party

Tuesday 6th December – Visit from the author, Andy Seed

Thursday 8th December – Years 5 and 6 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Friday 9th December – Year 1 and 2 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Monday 12th December – Years 3 and 4 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Monday 12th December - Advent Praise led by Late Foundation, Years 1 and 2, 2.45pm, parents welcome

Thursday 15th December – Late Foundation/Key Stage One Christmas Production, 9.30am and 2pm

Thursday 15th December – Normanton Town Council Christmas concert at St John's Church, featuring the St John the Baptist School Choir

Tuesday 20th December – Key Stage Two Christmas Dinner

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Wednesday 21st December – Key Stage One Christmas Dinner

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Wednesday 21st December – Early Foundation Nativity, 11am

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 5th December 2016

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Spaghetti Bolognese and garlic bread	Chicken pie with gravy and potatoes	Roast turkey with roast potatoes and gravy	Sausages with mash and gravy	Fish fingers and chips
Vegetable jambalaya	Cheesy pasta bake	Savoury vegetable loaf with roast potatoes and gravy	Mozzarella and tomato puff squares with chips	Vegetable curry with rice
Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket