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School Notices - Autumn B

We hope that all of our families enjoyed a wonderful half-term break and had the opportunity to spend some quality time together. The children have returned to school refreshed and ready for what is always one of the busiest and most exciting terms of the year. We are looking forward to a range of festive events and activities over the coming weeks, including our Christmas production, Angel Express. Rehearsals are already underway and the children are thoroughly enjoying preparing for what promises to be a fantastic performance. A separate letter regarding all Christmas arrangements will be sent out in the next week.

Before half term, we were delighted to hold our Harvest Service and would like to thank everyone who supported the event. The children did an exceptional job and represented the school wonderfully. We were incredibly proud of the beautiful artwork they created, the enthusiastic singing they shared, and the confident readings they delivered. Their hard work and dedication made the service a real celebration and a special occasion for all those who attended. And a huge thank you to anyone who made donations for Newcastle Food Bank too.



We are also looking forward to welcoming grandparents into school for our three Grandparents' Lunch events over the coming weeks. These are always popular occasions and provide a lovely opportunity for children to share part of their school day with loved ones. A reminder that the deadline to sign up for these events is today.



Additionally, we are excited to be involved in two community Christmas singing events this year. Children have the opportunity to perform at the Stone Christmas Light Switch On and also at All Saints Church's Christmas Tree Festival. These events are wonderful ways for our children to celebrate the festive season and showcase their singing talents within the local community. If your child would like to take part in either event, please note that the deadline to return consent forms and sign up is today.

As always, thank you for your continued support. We look forward to sharing these special festive occasions with our families and celebrating a successful end to the autumn term together.

Dates for the Diary

11th Nov
Grandparents Lunch 1

13th Nov
Children in Need

16th Nov
Lego Church

18th Nov
Grandparents Lunch 2

19th Nov
Stone Christmas Light Switch On

25th Nov
Grandparents Lunch 3

4th Dec
PTFA Christmas Fair

5th Dec
Christmas Tree Festival at Church

9th Dec
Christmas Film Night

10th Dec
Christmas Lunch/Jumper Day

11th Dec
Nativity Performances (2pm/6pm)

14th Dec
Carol Service at Church (3:40pm)

17th Dec
Trip to New Vic Theatre

18th Dec
Christmas Party Lunch/Break Up at 1:30pm

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Christian Distinctiveness



This half term we will be focusing on the worship theme of Trust and exploring what it means to place our trust in God, as well as how we can be trustworthy and dependable in our relationships with others. Through collective worship, classroom discussions and reflection, the children will consider how trust helps us to show courage, overcome challenges and support those around us.



Our core Bible verse for this theme is:

"My God is my strength, in whom I trust."
Psalm 18:2

As part of our worship and wider enrichment opportunities this half term, we are looking forward to welcoming several special visitors to school. Mrs Presswood and Mrs George from All Saints Church will be spending time with the children exploring the meaning and significance of Advent as we prepare for the Christmas season. We will also be welcoming author Bemma Akyeampong, who will be speaking to the children as part of our learning linked to Black History Month.

These opportunities help our children to develop their understanding of faith, culture and the wider world around them. Through meeting visitors, hearing different perspectives and reflecting on important themes, we encourage our children to think deeply about their own beliefs and values, whilst showing respect, curiosity and compassion towards others. In doing so, we hope they continue to grow as thoughtful, confident individuals who make a positive contribution to their communities.

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Kirsty Devenport.
Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead 's (DDSL) are Mrs Clare Griffin and Mr David Elliott-Hancock.
If you should have any safeguarding concerns regarding any child or young person you can contact:
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