Newsletter 13

Cheadle Catholic Infant School





# Love • Respect • Shine

At Cheadle Catholic Infant School we **love** and **respect** each other. We **love** to learn and let our inner light **shine** brightly in all that we do.

Dear parents/ carers,

#### **Prayer Assembly:**

This week during our assembly I spoke to the children about Sunday's Gospel. In the Gospel we heard how John the Baptist asked people to prepare for Jesus. We reminded ourselves that we can get ready to welcome Jesus by making sure our hearts

are full of love.

We can do that by not saying unkind things, by making sure that we share, by taking care of the world and by praying for others.

### Class of the Half Term:

This week the class tokens were counted and we are delighted to announce that this half term's winners are **R2!** Well done to all of the children in **R2** who have earned tokens for excellent behaviour, good manners, hard work and for always trying their best. They will be rewarded with a non uniform day on **Friday 17th December** 



### Year 2 Sing & Sign the Hail Mary:

Our Year 2 children have been asked to take part in the Shrewsbury Diocese Advent Service for Headteachers and school senior leaders. Our children have been filmed singing and signing the 'Hail Mary.' This has become part of the service that will be shared with the Diocese.

We are very proud that our children have been asked to take part and it is a wonderful opportunity for us to show how important signing is to us here at Cheadle Catholic Infant School.

Please click on the link below to see our Year 2 children.

https://cheadlecatholicinfantschoolcheshire.primarysite.media/media/year-2-sign-and-sing-the-hailmary

## Turn it Off



As mentioned in last week's newsletter we are taking part in Stockport Council's "Turn it Off" campaign.

As part of our work on promoting sustainable travel to and from school, we are continuing our "Turn it Off" campaign outside the school gates.

We are asking all vehicle owners to turn their engines off whilst they wait outside school, and on surrounding roads, to help improve air quality, reduce emissions and create a healthier environment around our school gates.

You will not only improve our air, you will also save money in fuel and vehicle wear and tear costs!

You can help reduce air pollution around school by doing the following:

- Turn off your engine when dropping off or picking up from school
- Take up cycling and walk where you can, or think about choosing public transport over using your car
- Share car journeys where possible

By making this simple change, we can make a real difference and improve the quality of air we all breathe. We would like to thank you for your continued support and we will keep you updated.

More information on anti-idling is available at <u>https://www.cleanairgm.com</u> and details about Stockport CAN are available at <u>https://www.stockport.gov.uk/can-climate-strategy-stockport/</u>

## A message from Mrs Dixon:

To support families and settings with meeting the needs of children experiencing sensory processing difficulties, the OT service has developed a training resource called: **Understanding Sensory Processing** which can be accessed via this link on our school website.

## https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/send/

#### Maths Mastery:

Mrs Allwright has recorded a powerpoint which helps to explain how we teach mastery in maths here at Cheadle Catholic Infant School.

Please click on the link below to view the powerpoint.

http://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/curriculum/

## **Christmas Events:**

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party day for N2 & full time N children,	Wear your party clothes to school (sensible shoes and a coat please) Please also bring a labelled carton of juice or water for the afternoon ( no fizzy drinks please). Children will not need to bring party food.
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa Dash	Wear your santa hat to school for your daily mile run!
<u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December</u>	Christmas Dinner for Rec, year 1 & year 2 children.	Please click the link below for the menu. <u>https://cheadlecatholicinfantschoolcheshire.secure-</u> <u>primarysite.net/school-dinner-menus/</u>
<u>Tuesday 21st December</u>	Christmas Party day for N1 & full time N children, Reception, Year 1& year 2	Wear your party clothes to school (sensible shoes and a coat please) Please also bring a labelled carton of juice or water for the afternoon ( no fizzy drinks please). Children will not need to bring party food.
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day School finishes for Christmas holidays	Wear your own clothes and your Christmas jumper to school. Donations to Caritas can be made using Pay 360

## Breakfast Club Supervisor

Mrs Taylor has decided to step back from her role as Breakfast Club Manager. Please don't worry, she isn't leaving us! She will continue in her role as Clerical Assistant.

I am sure you will join me in thanking Mrs Taylor for all of her hard work in helping to set up the Breakfast Club. The Club has been a lifeline for so many parents and we are so grateful for everything that Mrs Taylor has done to help the Breakfast Club run smoothly.

Mrs Taylor will continue in her role as manager until we appoint a replacement.

If this role is something that you would like to consider please click on the link below for the application pack.

https://cheadlecatholicinfantschoolcheshire.secure-primarysite.net/vacancies-2/

If you have any questions about the role please contact Mrs Spencer. <u>Sarah.spencer@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk</u>

### Admissions.

If you have a child due to start school in September 2022 (born between September 1st 2017 and August 31st 2018) you need to apply on-line direct to Stockport Local Authority for a school place.

The closing date for Reception applications is 15th January 2022

Applications for nursery places for September 2022 are also being accepted online. (born between 1.9.18 and 31.8.19)

Closing date is 31st March 2022 www.stockport.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you have any queries please email the admissions team at admissions.support@stockport.gov.uk

## WIN CASH FOR CHRISTMAS! ENTER THE CHEADLE CATHOLIC PSA RAFFLE

## WIN CASH FOR CHRISTMAS

Buy your tickets for the PSA Christmas Raffle!

Due to the on-going pandemic, we are once again unable to hold our favourite festive fundraisers - but we still need to raise vital funds for our schools.

That's why we have brought back our Christmas raffle where you could win one of three cash prizes.

Tickets are £2 and proceeds are split between the prize fund and the PSA.

You can buy them now on Pay360 (formerly SIMS) or send a sealed envelope into school with your name, child's name and class, and your email address written on the front. Your raffle tickets will be sent to you via your email address.

The draw will take place on Friday December 17, 2021.

Thank you for your continued support!

### **Christmas Mass Times:**

## **Christ Church:**

For the times of Christmas Masses at Christ Church, please check our website and newsletter at christchurchhg.co.uk

Bookings for Mass are not possible or necessary. There is no specific Mass for children this year, but all are welcome to attend any of our Christmas celebrations. Face covering are once again mandatory in our churches.

### St Chad's & St Ann's are operating online booking for their Christmas Masses

St Chad's: stchadscheadle@gmail.com

Friday 24th December: 8pm (Midnight Mass) Saturday 25th December: 9am (Christmas Day) Sunday 26th December 9am (Feast of the Holy Family)

#### St. Ann's (stannscheadlehulme@gmail.com) to book places at any of the Christmas Masses.

Friday 24th December:			
Saturday 25th December:			
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Christmas Vigil at 5pm (Fr Sean) Midnight Mass (Fr Chris) 9am Mass (Fr Chris) 11am Mass (Fr Sean)

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend

Mrs Glynn

headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk

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#### **Pause for Reflection**



In the city of Nazareth, in Galilee, there lived a young woman named Mary. Mary was soon to marry a carpenter named Joseph.

One day Gabriel, an angel, visited Mary and said: "Greetings, most favoured one, and do not be afraid. God has chosen you among all women. Very soon you will have a baby, you must call him Jesus."

### 1:Luke 26-38

Congratulations to all of our new stars of the week!

Nursery: Austin & Summer R1: Sophia & Leo R2: William R & Thea R3: Khaius & Elizabeth 10: Lucille & Kai 1DW: Archie & Sophia 1BM: Annie & Theo 2L: Emily & Aaron 2W: Zain & Ben 2ON: Harrison & Leyton

#### **Provisional Diary Dates**

Week Beginning Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Online Book Sale
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery 1 & Reception Nativities
	R1 ( Mrs Allwright): 9.15am
	R2 (Mrs Pullar) 10am
	R3 ( Mrs Kemal & Mrs Wainwright) 10.45am
	Nursery 1 (Miss McClusky): 11.30am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery 2 (Miss McClusky) 9.15am
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Party Day (Party clothes) &
	Christmas dinner
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	School closes for the Christmas holidays
	Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens for Spring Term 1

## **Reminders**

### **COVID Update:**

Rates have continued to increase in both the primary and secondary school sectors across the borough; as yet there have been no recorded cases of the Omicron variant. We would like to remind parents of the following measures:

- Lateral flow tests are freely available at pharmacists, doctors surgeries and libraries across our school catchment for families to use twice a week.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test, NOT a Lateral Flow test.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.
- If your child tests positive for Covid (on either a lateral flow or PCR), they will need to selfisolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or doubly vaccinated – but should book a PCR test.

Although the 3 main symptoms of COVID are well known, there have been positive cases reported in our school community where the symptoms were a sore throat, runny nose/ sneezing, upset tummy or fatigue. We appreciate that these are also typical of seasonal colds etc but ask for your cooperation in keeping your child at home and booking a PCR if they present with such symptoms.

## Face Masks

A reminder that face masks should be worn at all times (unless you are exempt) when you are on the school site.

#### **Caretaker Vacancy:**

The governors are seeking to appoint a new Site Supervisor to start in January. For more information and details how to apply please look at our school website;

https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/vacancies-2/

If you have any questions at all about the position please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Spencer by telephone or email. <u>Headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk</u> <u>Sarah.spencer@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk</u>

## **Building Fund**

As a Catholic school the majority of our income comes from state funding. However, in return for the right to promote the Catholic Faith, 10% of the cost of all building work, repairs and maintenance must be met by the Diocese. At one point, donations through collection at mass were enough to meet this cost, but funding from

the `plate' has fallen well short of the bill for many years now.

In 2000 the Shrewsbury Diocese introduced a building fund in order to meet the 10% cost of all works on its Catholic schools with all those parents choosing Catholic education for their children asked to make the voluntary contribution of **£15 per child, per year**.

Whilst this is a suggested donation, Cheadle Catholic Infant School has to make a payment for each child to the Diocesan fund - regardless of whether parents opt to pay or not.

Last year we had to pay the shortfall from the school budget - money that was much needed for resources, energy costs etc.

I do appreciate that this has been a difficult couple of years for families but I would ask parents to consider why choosing a place at a Catholic school was so important to you and make a donation if you can.

I have attached a leaflet with details of how to pay. Alternatively you may pay using our online Sims payment (pay360 Education Payments) system.

Thankyou for your support.

