



# St Bridget's C of E Primary School

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*"Love your neighbour as yourself."*

*Luke 10:27*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Thank you to Church Farm

Thank you to Church Farm for the Christmas tree donation. They never fail to support us each year and the delight and excitement of the children when they walk into the school hall and see the tree for the first time is fantastic.

## Advent Service

Our Advent service was held in St. Bridget's Church. The excitement of the children was palpable and Rev Alex helped the children to think about how we can prepare ourselves for this special time of year. In the service we thanked everyone who has brought in gifts which will be collected next week and taken to the Charles Thompson Mission. Reverend Alex also gave each class a Posada. The word posada means "inn" or "shelter" in Spanish. The Posada contains the figures of Mary and Joseph and helps the children remember their journey to Bethlehem and their search for a place to stay.

## Anti-Bullying and Christmas Carol Theatre

Two theatre companies have visited St. Bridget's this week during which children explored the themes of diversity and respect. Although we have had classes affected by the Covid outbreak we were able to include these children via live streaming from the hall to their virtual classroom.

## Reception Workshops for Parents

This week we have invited small groups of parents into Reception to see how their children learn in school and the types of activities they do. It has been a great success and lovely to see parents and children learning together. Our hope is that after Christmas we will invite Year 1 parents to work alongside their children. Dates will be sent out soon.

## Covid Update - Risk Assessment

Please find attached the latest risk assessment. A copy of this risk assessment is also available on the school website. [Link to Risk Assessment and updates](#)

Key Points in new risk assessment:

- All individuals who have been identified as a close contact of a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, irrespective of vaccination status and age, will be contacted directly and required to self-isolate immediately and asked to book a PCR test.
- Returning from abroad - Any staff or pupils arriving into the UK will need to isolate and get a PCR test by 'day two' after arrival. They may end their isolation once they receive a negative result. If the result is positive, they should continue to isolate and follow rules on isolation following a positive test.

Unvaccinated arrivals aged over 18 will follow the existing, more onerous, testing and isolation regime. All Red list arrivals will enter quarantine.

### Maths Workshop Updates for Parents

In order to promote how we teach Maths in school the following workshops will be held in January and February:

- Year 1 Maths workshop for Wednesday 12th January 2022 9.15 <https://forms.gle/zV4nPgCmMHj8XauaA>
- Year 2 workshop will be 9.15 Wednesday 19th January 2022 <https://forms.gle/z3yrC6LmuMz5rL9fA>
- Year 3/4 workshop 9.15 26th January 2022 <https://forms.gle/RSbzb6Peo72uUxve6>
- Year 5/6 workshop 9.15 2nd February 2022 <https://forms.gle/JpabvEwyJc3YdayAA>

### Y5 Football Team

Well done to the Year 5 football team whom in the fading light, earlier this week, managed to win 3-2 after being 2-1 down against Heswall Primary.

### Clubs on website

We have updated the website to reflect current extracurricular clubs. We have slowly introduced more activities in line with Covid guidance and availability of staff. [Link to website](#)

### Christmas Services in Church

We are now in the last few weeks of term and we are planning for the Christmas Services. Covid numbers in school are reducing but it would help if:

- Parent could wear masks in church, unless medically exempt
- Where possible only one parent to attend to keep number to a minimum
- There will be an opportunity for photos at the end of each service

### Christmas dates:

- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Christmas Hat Day for Claire House [Claire House Donation Link](#)
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Staff Sleepout Challenge for Church Urban Fund [Link for Sleepout Challenge](#)
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 9:30 – 10:30am – F2 Christmas Service
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 9:30 – 10:30am – Y1 Christmas Service
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2:00 – 3:00pm – Y2 Christmas Service (Y3 children to attend)
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9:15 – 10:15am – Y5 Christmas Service (Y4 & Y6 children to attend)

Thank you for your continued support,

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