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Sacrament of Reconciliation



Congratulations to the following children in year 4 who received the sacrament at a service at XII Apostles Church on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Thank you to Father Kieran and the Catechists who have helped to prepare them: -

Ethan Atherton, Antoni Baszko, Connie Boon, Thomas Coburn, Elle Mae Davies, Erin Fisher, Charlotte Foster, Amelia Handley, Jaiden Huyton, Hallie Lovett, Jamie Mather, Praise Osemeke, Charlie Peebles, Evie Peers, Kyan Prescott, Oliver Robinson and Evie Ryan.

School Uniform Trainers and Bags

Please can I remind parents once again about the school uniform policy. **Children are not allowed to wear trainers to school.** There are still some children that are not adhering to this policy. Also school bags should be kept small due to space restrictions.

Star of the Week – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November



- Reception** – Jacob Love for super work with the numicon in maths.
- Reception** – Grace Sutton for super phonics work.
- Year 1** – Ruby Rose for being a super role model all week.
- Year 2** – Isabelle Howarth for excellent reading and always trying her best.
- Year 3** – Rory Lovett for trying his best and being organised.
- Year 4** – Ethan Atherton for always helping his friends to do the right thing.
- Year 5** – Ellie Davies for her amazing Science work and always having a smile on her face.
- Year 6** – Taylor Banks for being an amazing role model to the other children - kind, caring and selfless.

Star of the Week – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

- Reception** – Kaiden Cawley for super maths work.
- Reception** – Jessica Midgley for brilliant work in phonics.
- Year 1** – Jayden Hamer for being a super role model all week.
- Year 2** – Holly Foster for excellent work in Science this week.
- Year 3** – Daisy Booth for wonderful homework and a good attitude to her learning.
- Year 4** – Evie Peers for always making good choices and trying her hardest all week.
- Year 5** – Ben Farrimond for his hard work in all lessons and being a good example to others.
- Year 6** – Jayden Blakeley for really improving his attitude to learning and working hard.

Star of the Week – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November

- Reception** – Isaac Martin for super reading with his first reading book.
- Reception** – Aya Laamiri for super reading with her first reading book.
- Year 1** – Alfie Peebles for being a super role model all week.
- Year 2** – William MacDonald for excellent effort with the Christmas play.
- Year 3** – Heidi Gallagher for wonderful reading comprehension.

Our website states the dress code for pupils at school. Our uniform is kept simple so that it is easily affordable to parents.

See website: [www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk](http://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk)  
Click on the Parent Tab then school uniform.

It is important that children have a warm waterproof coat for outdoor play as they do play outside in all weathers with the exception of extreme downpours. Also can I remind parents that children will need a PE kit at the beginning of each term. This should be a plain red T-shirt (logo optional), black shorts and black plimsolls. These should be in a small drawstring bag that will be kept at school and sent home at the end of each half term.

#### Other

Jewellery – only 1 pair of small studded earrings and a small watch.

No nail varnish.

Hair longer than collar length should be tied back.

Please can you ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name. At the end of the school year we have a huge amount of unclaimed school uniform that needs to be disposed of which is such a shame.

#### Pre-Order - Christmas Dinner in School

If your child has a packed lunch and would like a Christmas Dinner, please send £2.20 in an envelope marked Christmas Dinner and your child's name. Your child can order this on the class electronic system on the day. A flyer is attached to this newsletter for you to complete. Please note there is no charge for Infant children as they are all entitled to the universal free school meals.



#### Choir Singing

The choir will be singing for our Christmas Charity at Hourigan House on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30 am.

The choir will also be singing at Sainsbury/Marks and Spencer Food Hall on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00 am for CAFOD. Parents are welcome to come and support your child.

Finally, the Choir are singing at Westleigh Lodge on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am.

Miss Hitchen has sent a letter home with details.

**Year 4** – Bailee Lewis for putting 100% effort into his work all week!

**Year 5** – Matthew Peachey for his wonderful piece of writing and a fantastic attitude towards all of his learning.

**Year 6** – Mairead Coburn for always trying her best, being a superb role model and giving 100% in everything.

#### Football Team or sports update

Well done to our football team. It was a draw on 14<sup>th</sup> November against Newton West Park

Newton West Park 3

Twelve Apostles 3

Man of the Match Alex Sumner

#### Year 4 Collective Worship – Tomorrow Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00 am

Parents, carers, friends and relatives are invited to join Miss Hitchen and the children in Year 4 in prayer at the start of the day.



#### Christmas Charity

Advent is a time of giving and this year the liturgy team have chosen CAFOD, as over the past few years they have developed links with countries in need. This year the children are invited to buy a certificate for a £1 instead of Christmas card to write their Christmas messages to others. These will be displayed in class. As each class collects the donations they will be able to colour in the world gifts and add these to the nativity scene in their class.

Please support this worthwhile cause.

You can visit the CAFOD website for more information.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Give/World-Gifts>

#### Christmas Hamper Raffle

Many thanks for your food donations. The friends have prepared a number of hampers which look great. Raffle tickets are attached with a flyer with more information. The raffle tickets are priced £1 a strip and will be drawn at the Christmas coffee morning on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

### Tesco Fundraising

We are delighted that our application for funding from Tesco Bags of Help, Scheme to develop our early years outside learning area has been successful.

Our project along with two other successful projects will go towards a vote at the local Tesco stores.

Voting will take place during 1/1/2019 to 28/2/2019.

1<sup>st</sup> prize is £4,000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> prize is £2,000.00

3<sup>rd</sup> prize is £1,000.00

The stores taking part in the voting is Tesco at Atherton and Leigh.

Please ask your friends, relatives to vote for our school.

To vote you will need to make a purchase within one of the stores of any value, you will receive one token per transaction.

### A Plea for Volunteers for The Magic Breakfast Programme.

Thank you to parents that have already volunteered, however the more volunteers the better as then the work is not down to 1 or 2 people. Just to recap, we have been lucky to secure funding to run "Magic Breakfast" which is part of the National School Breakfast Programme.

Fresh, free bagels will be available for all children on the playground before school from 8.40 am.

To enable us to run the programme we are looking for volunteers from 8.15 am to 9.00 am to help with toasting/warming of the bagels and taking them outside on the playground.

If you are able to help, please leave your name at the school office – Thank you.



### Diary Dates for This Half Term:

#### Second Hand Toy Sale – Tomorrow Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December



Thank you for all the donations for this fundraising event. Year 6 will organise and run the event and toys will be priced from 10p to 50p so please can you send some money in with your child.

#### Christmas Coffee Morning and Christmas Hat Parade – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00 am.

Christmas Coffee Morning and Hat Parade – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00am. Everyone is invited to come along. It cost a £1 for a cake and hot drink. The children are invited to make a Christmas themed hat and each class will come up to the hall for the parade. The school council will judge the best hat and each child will receive a small prize.

#### Breakfast with Santa and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00 am.

Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day and bring a £1 Which will go towards the cost of this event. Each child will receive a small present from Santa.



### Year 2 Christmas Performance

#### 'The First Christmas'

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30 pm

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00 pm



There is no limit on the amount of tickets available, so please just turn up to the performance of your choice. There is no charge, but we will have a collection for our Christmas Charity at the end of each performance.

#### Christmas Parties:

Infants – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30 pm

#### Christmas Parties:

Year 3 & 4 – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30 pm

Year 5 & 6 – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30 pm

Children are invited to wear their own party clothes, but please remember they will still play outside at playtime and therefore need a warm coat and appropriate shoes.

Please can you send in fruit, cartons of fruit drink, individual cakes or wrapped sweets nearer the time.

**School breaks up on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 3.15 pm for the Christmas break and we return on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January.**

End of Term Mass at XII Apostles Church

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00 am led by Year 4.

*Through learning and loving we will follow Jesus.*



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