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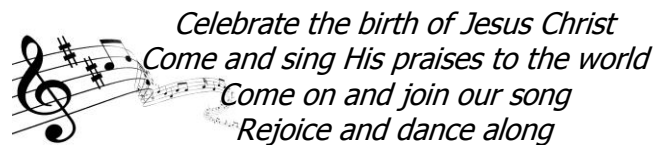
Dear Parents,

St. Peter's Parish invite you to a Carol Service in aid of Fairhaven's Hospice on Sunday, 18th December, at 6.00pm. Please support this seasonal event, those of you who can, as Fr. Jeff has organised something special for everyone.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish invite you to their Carol Service in aid of the Homeless on Friday, 16th December at 7.00pm. Please support this wonderful event also, those of you who can, and remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

Our Reception performed to their families on Tuesday with the donkey, goats and sheep offering their sound effects to great applause. The children were amazing and brought the Christmas message of love, peace and joy to all who watched it. Well done to our Reception children!

Years 1 & 2 are performing today and tomorrow for their parents and families. 'Strictly, The Nativity' raised the roof this morning and we leave you with these words:



Children's Achievements

Lily Chapman (3D) won a football trophy for showing the best 'dribbling' skills and had a great time too! Well done Lily!

Well done to Lilla Nevada (3D) who passed her ABRSM Piano Prep with flying colour, and to Hannah Rubbert (6B) for passing her Grade 1 Piano Exam.

Congratulations to Jacob Browne (5A) who won The Daniel Radcliffe Cup at the Southend Music Festival for his Poem Recital and a shield in the Songs from Shows/Films category.

On Sunday, 11th December, Nancy Grant (3D) took part in the 'Action for Children Rudolph Run', running a mile dressed as a snowman. She was awarded a snowflake shaped medal, which she was delighted with. Great effort Nancy!

Well done to Jessica Cotgrove (3D) who won a trophy in her singing exam. "I wasn't nervous and really enjoyed doing it."

At the East of England Diabetic Games, Isabelle Morgan (3D) took third place in the 100m race for her age group and received a medal. Fantastic!

Many congratulations go out to the following 'Karate Kids':

Alana (5J) & Ollie (3B) Moonie – Red Belts

Hannah (6B) & Edward (4H) Rubbert – Purple Belts

Imogen Phipps (6B) – Green Belt

Olivia Kunnath (3D) – Yellow Belt

Grace Campbell (3D) third place in a Karate competition and Yellow Belt

Baby News

Congratulations to the Hines family on the birth of baby Isaac on 14th November, weighing in at a very healthy 8lb 2oz. Big sister Phoebe (now at St. Bernard's), Lola (2M) and Florence at OLOL pre-school, are helping to take very good care of him. What a wonderful Christmas gift!

HOT OFF THE PRESS!

Another little bundle of joy has arrived just in time for Christmas! Baby Jasmin (Jessica 3D & Josie 1W Cotgrove) born 9am on Tuesday 13th December, weighing exactly 7lbs. Mum and baby doing well.

Fundraising

100 CLUB November Draw - Congratulations to our November winners!

Majella Webb (Maisie 6M), Cassandra Kelly (James 5A & Daniel 3D), Grace Harding (Teacher)

For a monthly payment of £5 you too could win cash prizes whilst raising funds for our children.

New members welcome – email Liz Blackburn via office@ourladyoflourdes.southend.sch.uk with your name, the name of your child and their class. Thank you.

Liz Blackburn

HARP

At the beginning of December, Lisa Walton came into school to talk to the children and staff about how HARP help the homeless and what we can do to continue supporting the charity.



Lisa commented, "I was very impressed with the pupils at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School when I visited recently. It was good to see the children so engaged and interested in learning about homelessness and how they could help. It was a pleasure to meet such astute pupils that all clearly have a very caring nature. It is nice to see education and compassion go hand in hand. "

We are still collecting the following items for HARP: socks for men and women, pants/knickers, gloves, hats and scarves. Please leave any donations at the school office. Thank you for your support.

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day, Friday 16th December



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY

Please pop the date in your diaries. All children are asked to come to school in their favourite Christmas Jumper and bring a kind donation to go towards the Save the Children Fund.

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on **Friday, 16th Dec**. Second-hand uniforms will also be on sale.

Contact Details: ololuniform@outlook.com / 07764222825

Danielle Bertella

Dates to Remember

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| Dec 16 th | Infant Nativity Play (Years 1 & 2) | 10.00am |
| | Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day | |
| Dec 19 th | Christmas Dinner for children | |
| | Christmas Extravaganza | 7.00pm |
| Dec 21 st | End of Term – school closes at 1.30pm for pupils | |

DECEMBER 22nd - JANUARY 4th CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Have a lovely weekend with your families.

Mrs. M. Sullivan
Headteacher

EVERY CHILD
is gifted
THEY JUST UNWRAP
their packages
at different times.