



# Holy Family School Newsletter - 14

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023

*With Christ at the centre, we live, love and learn together, reaching out to all. Together, with Jesus, we can do it!*



*'Only the best is good enough'*

### CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

It was lovely to welcome the families of Year 6 and Year 5 on Tuesday and Year 4 and Year 3 yesterday to their Christmas concerts this week. The children have been simply amazing and thank you for recognising all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes in making these events so festive and cheerful. Nursery performed a lovely nativity today for all their proud family members. We are looking forward to seeing the Reception and Year 1 and 2 productions next week. Nearly there!



### SCHOOL CHOIR

Members of the school choir performed at the Halewood Town Council 'Swing into Christmas' event on Wednesday evening alongside other local schools. The children were outstanding, and we were so proud of them. Huge thanks to Ms Kendall who prepared the children so well for this event and for given up her own family time to be there for the children. Huge thanks to the families of the children who came along and offered their support and gratitude too.

Choir members will be out and about in the local community next week too to bring some festive cheer to the residents at Servite Court South Liverpool Homes and Arncliffe Court Nursing Home. Some children will be attending Maple Lodge Care Home to take part in some board games and conversations as well.



### ATTENDANCE NEWS

The race continues for our Pizza Party competition for attendance. Remember any class that gets 100% receives 2 green marks that week!!

Attendance for this week from the 11<sup>th</sup> Dec to 15<sup>th</sup> Dec is as follows: Come on children make sure your class gets in the green zone for your Pizza Party!!

**Green** - 97%+, **Yellow** - 94%+, **Red** - 93.9% & below

Class	% score	Rating	Total amount of green won this term
Year 6	98%	Green	6
Year 5D	97%	Green	6
Year 5Mc	91%	Red	10
Year 4	97%	Green	10
Year 3/4	97%	Green	8
Year 3	99%	Green	15
Year 2	99%	Green	15
Year 1/2	95%	Yellow	13
Year 1	94%	Yellow	7
Rec K	92%	Red	5
Rec M	95%	Yellow	12

### END OF TERM - FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> DEC

Just a reminder that we finish for the term next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2023 at 1:30pm. Even though it is an early finish, the children need to be in school to receive both attendance marks - morning mark and afternoon mark. This is crucial that you understand this, and you don't view it as a half day.

On Friday we will also be having our end of term assembly as well as celebrating our next set of 'Only the Best is Good Enough' awards. As always, two children per year group will be chosen. We will also find out who won the Christmas hat competition and which class has achieved the most stars on the door for their pizza party too.

### FOODBANK APPEAL CONTINUES

Thank you so much to the children and staff who have already had their turn to open the advent calendar in their class and bring a food item in for our food bank table! The amount donated so far is overwhelming! All items of food will be collected on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023.



### PTA SANTA DASH

Wow! What a response from the families regarding the PTA Santa Dash. So far, we have collectively raised a total of £2686 which will help pay off the debt of the recent transport costs for the whole school trip to the Pantomime and more.

Thank you for your support!



### SCHOOL COUNCIL / HALEWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

This morning, Lynn O'Keefe arrived for a meeting with the School Council. The School Council were amazing! Lynn conducted a survey regarding the local Green Spaces in our area. Lynn asked if they feel safe using them, and how the council could improve them. The children gave very detailed answers and suggestions. The children also commented on how busy it is outside school during drop off and pick up times. Lynn thought this was a very important and valid point. She is going to arrange a Traffic Calming Survey after Christmas, outside our school. The children went on to voice their concerns regarding dog fouling outside school and in the local area in general. Lynn is also going to support with this. Lynn is going to attend our next school council meeting on 18th January 2024.

### PIZZA PARTY - ATTENDANCE

The winner of our Pizza Party for this term is going right to the wire. With only next week to go; who will be the class to win the Domino's Pizza Party on the last day of term - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. We will let the winning class know on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

### FAMILY LEARNING - CHRISTMAS CRAFT

Just a reminder of the session taking place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. This session will take place in the Yr 2 classroom as the hall is needed for Christmas practise time for other year groups. Please book a place on the app. If you have already attended the previous one, you cannot book again as this is for families who missed out first time around.

### POPPY APPEAL

This year we managed to raise an amazing £203.45 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal! The veteran soldier that called in to let us know how much we raised as a primary school asked us to express their gratitude with such an outstanding amount raised.

Well done and thank you!!



### EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

All extra-curricular clubs have finished for the term. We hope to send out the bookings for the Spring term next week before we finish and will let you know in due course once we finalise them. We are just waiting to finalise the clubs with the external agencies that we use.