



St Mary Magdalene Catholic Primary School

DECEMBER

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

We are now in the season of Advent which is the start of the new church year. This year Advent begins on Sunday 30th November and ends at midnight on Christmas Eve. Advent is the time we spend waiting for the arrival of Christmas and the coming of Jesus on earth. Many homes will have an Advent wreath which for the children helps us to count down to Christmas. Each candle on the wreath has a special meaning, a candle of hope, peace, love and joy. The fifth candle lit on Christmas Day reminds us that Jesus is the Light of the World and if we follow him we will never be in darkness. On each Sunday in Advent a candle is lit.

During this month we have a great deal going on in school, please keep this safe so you can refer to it.



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES:

Nursery - 9th December 10.00 am

Reception - 9th December 1.30 pm

Reception - 10th December 10.00 am

Years 1/2 - 10th December 1.30 pm

Years 1/2 - 11th December 10.00 am

Years 4/5 - 11th December 1.30 pm

Years 4/5 - 12th December 10.00 am

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Monday 15th 8.00 am

Nursery, Reception and KS1

Tuesday 16th 8.00 am

Years 3 - 6

Friday 5th December



Christmas Jumper Day

£1 donation



December Dates:

Monday 1 st	8.30 – 10.30 am School nurses in for flu immunisations
Wednesday 3 rd	School photographer will return to take photos of 10 sets of siblings who were omitted when they came on Monday 24 th November
Thursday 4 th	1.30 pm School tour for prospective parents
Friday 5 th	1.00 pm Staff from Nationwide to talk to year 6 about managing money
Friday 5 th	Christmas jumper day £1 donation please
Monday 8 th	School nurses in for health screening for reception pupils
Tuesday 9 th	10.00 am Nursery Christmas concert
Tuesday 9 th	1.30 pm Reception Christmas Nativity
Wednesday 10 th	10.00 am Reception Christmas Nativity
Wednesday 10 th	1.30 pm year 1 and year 2 Christmas performance
Thursday 11 th	10.00 am year 1 and year 2 Christmas performance
Thursday 11 th	1.30 pm year 4 and year 5 Christmas performance
Friday 12 th	10.00 am year 4 and year 5 Christmas performance
Friday 12 th	Christmas Cracked for year 6 at the New Life Church
Monday 15 th	8.00 am Breakfast with Santa for nursery, reception and years 1 and 2
Tuesday 16 th	8.00 am Breakfast with Santa for years 3, 4, 5 and 6
Tuesday 16 th	2.30 pm Rocksteady concert for the parents of children who participate in Rocksteady lessons
Wednesday 17 th	Christmas Fun Day! Children may come in their own clothes. We hope the children will enjoy the day
Wednesday 17 th	Christmas Lunch – please book. We hope as many children as possible will enjoy a hot and tasty Christmas lunch
Thursday 18 th	Nursery Christmas Party. Nursery closes at 3.15w pm for Christmas break
Friday 19 th	Nursery closed for deep clean
Friday 19 th	Family raffle and children's raffles to be drawn today
Friday 19 th	3.20 pm School closes for Christmas holidays. After school club closes at 6.00 pm as normal.

School reopens on Wednesday 7th January 2026



Advent Prayer

A prayer to prepare our heart for Christ coming

Lord, I wait for your coming
Guide me to walk in the love you gave us by sending Jesus your son
As we prepare our hearts for Christmas
bring us closer to each other and to Jesus
Give us the strength and grace we need each day
We pray that Jesus will light up our lives with his coming
Amen