



# Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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"Peace Love Joy Hope – Gifts from God"

## Headteacher's Message

Our school has been a hive of excitement this week, which has culminated in our Christmas Service this morning. Reverend White opened the service with a prayer; the children led us with their carols and Key Stage 1 and Reception sang their individual hymns beautifully. During the service some of our staff and the children read passages from the Christmas story. Many, many thanks to them for their continued support.

Today we are saying goodbye to Mrs Boocock. We thank her for all she has done at Adel St John and wish her lots of love as she moves on.

Finally, thank you for all the gifts and cards we have received; your kind words and messages are very much appreciated by Mrs Ramsden, Mrs Dean and myself.

Staff and Governors at Adel St John would like to wish you a peaceful Christmas and a very restful holiday with your loved ones.

**We look forward to seeing you again when school opens on the 7<sup>th</sup> January.**

Jane Hainsworth, Headteacher



## Weekly prayer

### Prayer

*Father God,  
as we look forward to  
the excitement and  
celebrations of  
Christmas,  
help us not to lose  
sight of its true  
meaning.*

*As we open our gifts  
given with love, we  
remember how you  
gave the world the  
gift of Jesus Christ  
to show us how much  
you love each one of  
us.*

**Amen.**

## Safeguarding Message

Safeguarding is always a priority for us here at school, as it is for you as parents. This is the time when many of our children will be receiving electronic devices as gifts and I cannot stress enough the importance of beginning immediately to protect the children by putting into place all the privacy and safety settings. I know many of us will believe that the children know more about electronics than we do but they do not know about the emotional and social dangers.

Overleaf you will see information and a link which gives you specific details about safety settings. It really is vital that parents monitor internet activities. Please follow this link and protect electronic devices as soon as gifts are received.

## On-line Safety

Many young people will be receiving the latest gadgets such as tablets, smart phones and games consoles this Christmas. The internet and all it can offer, is a wonderful tool for keeping in touch with friends and family, however parents and carers need to be aware that it is possible for people who are unknown to children and young people to communicate with them via the internet.



Some parents, carers or relatives might not realise that even games consoles such as Xbox and PlayStation are connected to the internet and can be used for communicating as well as playing games. While using these gadgets is second nature for many children and young people, they can seem quite daunting for parents or carers who may not be as technologically savvy.

Simple, step-by-step instructions have been produced on how to set the privacy settings on the most popular applications and games consoles used by children and young people.

If you have bought a child or young person a new gadget eg; mobile, games console or ipad for Christmas, you can follow these instructions and enable these settings before you give your gift and therefore help protect your child or young person online.

Please click here: [www.leedslscb.org.uk/parents-carers-wider-family](http://www.leedslscb.org.uk/parents-carers-wider-family) to access the instructions for the most popular applications and consoles, or you can go to [www.leedslscb.org.uk](http://www.leedslscb.org.uk) and click on the Parents/Carers section



**Save the Children**

### Money raised

The children looked very bright and cheerful this morning during our Christmas Service - it certainly put everyone in a Christmas mood and we raised a wonderful £115.05 for Save the Children. As Rev White commented this morning during the Christmas Service – it is good to think of others at this time of the year.

### After School Clubs

I have now had confirmation from the outside provider, Learn, Create, Play that Recorder Club will start on Monday January 14<sup>th</sup> until 11<sup>th</sup> February (3.15-4pm) All parents should now have received an email as confirmation.

Unfortunately, due to a lack of numbers Glee / Choir will **NOT** now take place and I have been assured that parents have been informed.

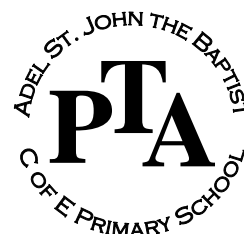


## Fundraising Reminder when Christmas shopping

Using the Easy fund raising website is an easy way of raising money via the PTA's registered charity. It doesn't cost you anything - just shop online using their partner retailers - Amazon, John Lewis, Ebay and over 200 more. When you make purchases they donate money to the school.

Quick instructions into doing this

1. Go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/adelstjohn/>
2. Click on "Get Started" link and complete the registration.
3. Download the "Find and remind" toolbar (optional but acts as a good reminder about this)
4. Start shopping online and see extra funds come to the school.



**easyfundraising**  
.org.uk

## Adel Stairway Reward Booklets:

Congratulations to the following children who have completed their Bronze booklets this week

BRONZE 250 Stampers Achieved				SILVER 500 Stampers Achieved
Ethan – Year 2 Spencer - Year Jack – Year 2 Alfie – Year 2 Matilda – Year 2	Emily – Year 2 Ali – Year 2 Theo – Year 2 Jacob – Year 2 Cora – Year 2	Tabitha - Year 2 Evie – Year 2 Miriam – Year 5 Ben – Year 5 Finlay – Year 5	Ben – Year 5 Lexi – Year 5 Archie – Year 5 Vincent – Year 5 Joshua – Year 5	Lily – Year 5

Our target for whole school attendance is 97% - Whole school attendance last week was **97.07%**

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Attendance</b> (4th September 2018 – 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2018)	97.21%	99.27%	97.24%	98.53%	97.77%	98.02%	95.41%
<b>Minutes Late</b> (10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2018)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Number of children arriving between 9.00 -9.05am (10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Dec)</b>	0	1	2	1	4	1	1

Attendance and Minutes Late Report

ADEL PARISH CHURCH INVITES YOU TO



**"THEY FOLLOWED THE STAR"**

SUNDAY 30TH DECEMBER  
AT 5PM IN THE OLD STABLES

*for a feast fit for a king!*



Last week's On Time Award goes to:

**Reception**

### Dinner money

Please ensure dinner money is paid on time, either weekly or half termly, in advance, thank you.

Spring Term 1	Spring Term 2
7th Jan – 15th Feb 2019 £64.50	25th Feb – 29th Mar £53.75

## Golden Book Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018

<i>Reception Staff Vote</i>	<i>The whole class for their amazing Nativity performance.</i>
<i>Year 1 Staff Vote</i>	<i>All of Year 1 for their fantastic patience, professionalism and performance of their Nativity.</i>
<i>Year 2 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Taiya for her fantastic effort in maths. She has listened and applied her new knowledge to improve massively.</i> <i>All of Year 2 for their fantastic patience, professionalism and performance of their Nativity</i>
<i>Year 3 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Eva for helping her group in RE.</i>
<i>Year 3 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Alfie for being a good partner in English.</i>
<i>Year 4 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Francesca for having an excellent attitude to all her learning and always giving 100%.</i>
<i>Year 4 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Carys because on Scratch she helped her partner who was really confused, so they could get on with the next task.</i>
<i>Year 5 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Lilli and Josh for escaping from the North Pole!</i>
<i>Year 5 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Tom for great teamwork cracking the codes.</i>
<i>Year 6 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Sian for a super term – she has an extraordinary attitude to learning – it is a pleasure to teach someone so keen to learn and try hard.</i>
<i>Year 6 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Sophie for her excellent effort in wreath making.</i>

### Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)

<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018</b>	<b>Last day of Autumn term</b>
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>First day back of Spring term</b>
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Reception 2019 Open afternoon 1.30pm</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Magical Maths club starts</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Recorder Club starts</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>KS1 Multisports club starts</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Minecraft club starts</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Football club starts</b>
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b>	<b>Mad Science club starts</b>
<b>Wednesday 23 January 2019</b>	<b>Year 4 Class Collective Worship – 9.15am – parents welcome</b>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019</b>	<b>School Disco</b>
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019</b>	<b>Year 5 Class Collective Worship – 9.15am – parents welcome</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019</b>	<b>Creative Week (details to follow)</b>
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019</b>	<b>Last day of Spring half term 1</b>
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019</b>	<b>Year 3 Class Collective Worship – 9.15am – parents welcome</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019</b>	<b>Year 2 Class Collective Worship – 9.15am – parents welcome</b>
<b>Wednesday 12 June 2019</b>	<b>Year 1 Class Collective Worship – 9.15am – parents welcome</b>
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019</b>	<b>Whole school training day</b>
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019</b>	<b>Whole School training day</b>