

Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Headteacher's Update

Many of you watched with pride, this week, as the Key Stage 1 children performed their nativity, Jesus in the Manger. It certainly brought a smile for us at school as we watched the children sing, act and dance and a tear as Reception sang Away in a Manger so beautifully. The performance was wonderful and now we have some very relieved teachers, thank you to all of them for all their creative efforts and time to make the nativity such a success.

Our thanks also go to those who donated to our Candlelighters collection at the end of each production. A fantastic £192.02 was raised which will go towards supporting families facing children's cancer in Yorkshire.

Our children had an exciting Collective Worship on Wednesday. The Christingle was led by Reverend Alison after the PCC had prepared 206 Christingles the previous night. Many thanks to them. The children certainly enjoyed the service as a human Christingle was formed to explain the

different elements, please take time to ask the children about what they mean. We also sent home a Children's Society Penny collection box. If you are able, please collect your change and return the box to school by Wednesday 18th December.

Next week we will be enjoying the time of year in the traditional primary school way, parties for the children and on the last day of term we will be having a toy day. Please remember that the children should not bring anything to school that is precious to them as we cannot take

responsibility for breakages. Also, please do not bring electronic equipment to school.

Christmas Service

Our Christmas service is on Friday 20th and vou are very welcome to join us. It will be held in the school hall at 9.15am.

PTA Information

A fantastic £1,786 was raised at the Christmas Fayre - this is an increase of

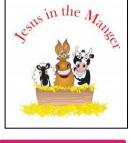
£278 on last year's total, so thank you so much for all your support. The children have loved playing their part in getting the fayre ready and making the crafts to sell it is such a school community event.

Please note the 23 January in your diary for a 'Bring your Ideas' PTA meeting at 7pm. All are welcome!

The PTA would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.











Weekly prayer

Dear God

As we light our Christingles this week We thank you for the light in the world. We thank you for leading us on the right paths. We thank you for reminding us of the

lessons we need to learn. Please help us to share your light with everyone we meet. Amen

Polling Station

We would like to clear up a matter that has come to our attention this morning. The decision to use a porta cabin outside was not ours. Our school has been used as a polling station for many years and we are more than happy with this arrangement. However, due to time constraints of the snap election I informed the council that we were unable to close school. They then reported that we were no longer allowed to use the front entrance if we remain open, which left the only other option - a portable building outside. In May we will again be used as a Polling station for the local elections. We have already planned to use this as a training day and the community will once again be able to use our school.

Jane Hainsworth, Headteacher



Dinner money

Please remember when paying money to school for lunches, to always use your YELLOW
RECEIPT CARD, thank you. Payment can be made by cash or cheque (cheques for school meals - payable to Leeds City Council please).

Spring Term 1	Spring Term 2
7 Jan – 14 Feb £63.80	24 Feb – 3 Apr £66.00
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Admissions – Reception 2020

If you know of anybody with a school age child will you remind them that they must apply through Leeds City Council for a place in Reception – even if they already have a sibling at the school.

We also ask that they fill in one of our Supplementary Information Forms that they can collect from our school office or download a copy from the website <u>www.adel-st-john.leeds.sch.uk</u>

Attendance and Minutes Late Report

Our target for whole school attendance is 97% - Whole school attendance last week was <mark>91.96%</mark>							
In total 6 sessions were lost last week due to holidays taken in term time							
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance (4th September 2019 – 6 th December 2019)	95.89%	97.93%	98.10%	97.90%	98.03%	97.51%	97.97%
Minutes Late 2 nd - 6 th December 2019)	32	1	0	1	0	0	0
Number of children arriving between 9.00 -9.05am 2 nd - 6 th December 2019)	0	0	0	0	1	1	2

CON TIME Awards C Last week's On Time Award goes to: Year 2

ASJ Reward Booklets:

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

SILVER 500 Stampers Achieved

Macy – Year 2	
Zoe – Year 2	
Indy – Year 2	
Holly – Year 2	

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Ben – Year 2 Sophie – Year 4 Noah – Year 4 Magnus – Year 4



Golden Book Tuesday 10th December 2019 – this week's Golden Stars!

Year 1 Staff Vote	Sehaj for writing a super diary entry.
Year 1 Pupil Vote	Zac P for super learning logs this half term.
Year 2 Staff Vote	Yaseen for his great work with money and effort in his reading.
Year 2 Pupil Vote	Ben H for always being up for a challenge and a good attitude to learning.
Year 3 Staff Vote	Savannah for her increased effort in all her learning.
Year 3 Pupil Vote	Theo for being a good partner in maths.
Year 4 Staff Vote	Sophie for an excellent attitude to all her learning. She always gives 100%
Year 4 Pupil Vote	Olivia for always helping her partner and others on her table.
Year 5 Staff Vote	Laura for consistently achieving great results in spellings.
Year 5 Pupil Vote	Carys for always helping Poppy in class.
Year 6 Staff Vote	Archie for a really conscientious attitude since moving to a new place in class.
Year 6 Pupil Vote	Billy for being a great computer partner.

Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)

Monday 16 th December 2019	Reception 2020 Open afternoon 1.30pm
Monday 16 th December 2019	Year 3 Greek Day (Year 3 parents welcome 2:45 – 3:15)
Tuesday 17 th December 2019	KS2 (Y5 and Y6) Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Wednesday 18 th December 2019	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Wednesday 18 th December 2019	Year 4 Aqua Festival, Holt Park Active
Thursday 19 th December 2019	KS1 Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Friday 20 th December 2019	Carols around the tree 2:45pm (all welcome)
Friday 20 th December 2019	Break up for Christmas holiday
Monday 6 th January 2020	Whole school Training Day
Thursday 9 th January 2020	Reception 2020 Open afternoon 1.30pm

Wednesday 22 nd January 2020	Year 4 Class Collective Worship (Year 4 parents welcome)
Thursday 23 rd January 2020	'Bring Your Ideas' - PTA Meeting – all welcome - 7pm
Wednesday 5th February 2020	Year 5 Class Collective Worship (Year 5 parents welcome)
Wednesday 4 th March 2020	Year 2 Class Collective Worship (Year 2 parents welcome)
Wednesday 29 th April 2020	Year 1 Class Collective Worship (Year 1 parents welcome)
Thursday 7 th May 2020	Whole school Training Day
Wednesday 10 th June 2020	Year 3 Class Collective Worship (Year 3 parents welcome)
Wednesday 8 th July 2020	Reception Class Collective Worship (Reception parents welcome)
Monday 20 th July 2020	Whole school Training Day

All remaining training days for this academic year have now been allocated - see above.

