

# St Mary's Priory Catholic Infant and Junior Schools' Weekly Newsletter

21st December, 2023

**'Love one another; Always do our best; Take care of ourselves and the world around us'**



Dear parents and carers,

We had another extremely festive week with many (many) Christmas Performances! The children and staff worked very hard to organise such spectacular performances, and I know our parents will all agree that they made each and every one of us extremely proud. Well done, everyone!

We said a very sad goodbye to Mrs Georgiou, a long-standing member of our community. It is time for her to retire and we congratulate and thank her for everything she has done for all of our pupils, parents and staff. We will miss her immensely but we hope that she will return to our school again for another PSA fair!

It's hard to believe it's the final week of the autumn term. Looking back at the term, the children have achieved so much: academic success, new friendships and many personal achievements.

I would like to express how much it means to all of us at SMP to get to teach your children each day and see them make so much progress in all areas of school life. We look forward to seeing more and more successes in the coming months and years of their time here at St Mary's Priory.

But for now, we'd like to wish you all a very, very MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Mrs Reynolds  
Deputy Headteacher

Attendance winners!	
Infant School:	Junior School:
Owl 99.22%	6B 99.46%
Punctuality winners!	
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Each day, our teachers choose pupils who have shown **OUTSTANDING** behaviour. These children have been role models for the rest of the class and are given 'golds'. The golds are added up and rewards are given.

These children are the first children to have achieved TEN golds.

### **Congratulations to:**

<b>Year:</b>	<b>Received 10 Golds:</b>
Year 2	Paul, Eden, Marina and Khiarna
Year 3	Georgina, Lena, Olivia, Samantha and Leah
Year 5	Yohan and Jordan
Year 6	Szymon, Jovian, Thea, Oliver, Kalkidan, Ketsia, Mikhaile and Emily

# This week at SMP...



Some photos of our class Christmas parties!

5D children had PANTS lesson to understand that they have a right to say no and if they need to speak out about something, someone will listen.

[Tips and advice to help keep your children safe-click here.](#)



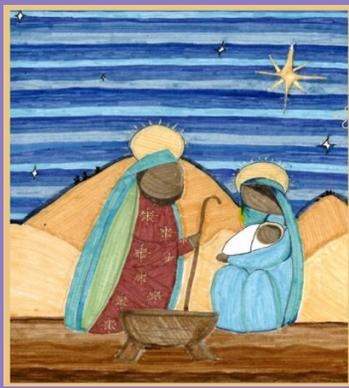
Some of our Y4s after their fantastic performance on Tuesday!



# School calendar:

When:	What:	Who:	Where:	Time:
8th January	School reopens for all	All pupils		8.40am
18th January	Parent Curriculum Workshop for Online Safety and Computing	All parents	Hall	2.40pm
23rd January	2. Parent Curriculum Workshop for Maths and Multiplication times tables Year 4	All parents	Hall	2.40pm
30th January	Parent Curriculum Workshop for PE/Science/History geography	All parents	Hall	2.40pm
6th February	Parent Curriculum Workshop for Safeguarding and behaviour - safeguarding messages - what we do hear, how we teach it, including a behaviour curriculum,	All parents	Hall	2.40pm
12th-16th February	February Half Term			
19th February	School Closed for staff INSET day			
21st February	Parent Curriculum Workshop for Reading and Writing	All parents	Hall	2.40pm





'For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.' (Isaiah 9:5-6)

Wishing our whole school community a peaceful and very merry Christmas.