



15<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Dear Parents

**Whole school Mass** – we will be celebrating a whole school Mass for the end of term on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 9:15am. Everybody welcome. We will also be having Mass to celebrate the **Epiphany** on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017**.

**Infant and Junior Productions** - thank you for your kind donations at the door. Total money collected £543.00. Cheques will be sent off today in support of Willow Wood Hospice and Francis House Hospice for children.

**School Dinner Money** –school dinner money for next term will be £72.42 (34 days), and alternatively you can pay weekly £10.65. School fund next term will be £7.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School. Nursery snack fund for the term will be £24.50 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School; alternatively you can use the School Money on-line system [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk) a text will be sent week commencing 2nd January 2017.

**Residential trips** – please would you bring your payments up-to-date. If you wish to pay by cheque, please make cheques payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively you can pay using the online payment scheme [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk) The next instalments will be due on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017 for Boreatton and 23<sup>rd</sup> January for Robinwood.

**Admission to school September 2017** – letters have now been sent out. If your child is registered at our school and you haven't received a copy of the application process then contact the school office. Closing date for online applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2017**. ***Please ensure that school has received two copies of your proof of residency by this date.***

**Nursery Admissions September 2017** – letters will be posted on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December to parents who have registered an interest in our nursery school. School requires a copy of birth and baptism certificates, along with two proofs of residency for nursery applications.

**Change of contact/Telephone numbers** – please would you let the office know as soon as possible if any emergency contact details, telephone numbers or home addresses have changed in order that we can update our records.

**Infant Book bags** – just a reminder that all children in the Infants should have a book bag and not a ruck sack, as there is not enough room to store them. We would appreciate it if the children could have a book bag as soon as you are able, these can be purchased from our uniform suppliers or ordered through school. Thank you for your continued support.

**Y3 First Forgiveness and Holy Communion** – the Sacramental Programme will begin for Year 3 and their parents in January. Please see dates below:

**First meeting: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 6:00pm in school (parents only)**

**Enrolment Mass: Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 11:00am – in church (parents and children)**

**Parents second meeting: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 6:00pm in school (parents only)**

A list of all dates for the programme will be given out to parents at first meeting. Please note that the parents meeting are for adults only.

**Swimming Lessons** –Year 4 will swim next term. This starts on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. The children will need swimming trunks – **not** sports shorts, a swimsuit – **not** a bikini, a towel in a plastic bag or swimming bag. If children have been prescribed an inhaler, they must take their inhaler with them. Copley will not allow children to wear goggles unless it is for medical reasons, which needs to be in writing. Parent volunteers are also required. If you are able to help, please see Miss Holland.

**Christmas productions –The Bossy King/ Aladdin** - if you wish to order a copy of the DVD please send in payment of £6.50 for each DVD along with your child's name and class clearly marked on the envelope. Orders for the production DVD's to be received by 9:00am Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December in order that they can be distributed before the Christmas break. Orders received after this time will be available for collection in the New Year.

**After School Clubs** – all Clubs will resume week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 apart from Athletics/Basketball which will commence Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

**Tennis after school club – Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** if you would like to join the Tennis after school club which will run from 11<sup>th</sup> January until 29<sup>th</sup> March please call into the school office for a permission slip. Places limited to 12 which will be selected randomly.

**Yoga Afterschool club** – The afterschool club will start on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January and will run for approximately 9 weeks. The club is open to year 5 and 6 children and there are 16 places available. Permission slips to be sent out.

**PTA Christmas Jumper Day** – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear a Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper for a £1.00 donation to PTA funds. Please note children should still wear their normal school uniform but just change their jumper.

**School uniform** – please could I remind parents of school's policy on boys' haircuts. Also girls' hair should be tied back with small ribbons/headbands in the school colours. Thank you!

#### **Diary Dates**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - PTA 'Wear your Christmas jumper to school day - £1.00 donation'**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas dinner and party day (party clothes – no sports' wear)

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – whole school Mass 9:15, school closes 2:30pm

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January** - Year 6 class Trip Manchester Science Museum

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January** – school closed INSET training day

#### **Parish events**

**Children's Christmas Liturgy** - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 11:00 am

#### **Community events**

**Tameside Christmas Market** – flyers available from the school office and details are on the school website>parents information> weekly newsletter.

**Circus Starr** If you wish to watch '**Aladdin at the Circus**' on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at George Lawton Hall Mossley, then please call into the school office where free tickets are available with no limit.

**Tameside Soccer Coaching Club** – Astley Sports College Starting 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 Reception to Year 6. For more information please pick up a flyer from the school office.

**School closes** – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at **2:30 pm** and re-opens on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and peaceful Christmas.

With love and prayers

Mrs E Summersgill

**Headteacher**