



St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

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4th Sunday in Advent. Matthew 1: 18-24 'Joseph, Son of David, do not be afraid. By the power of the Holy Spirit Mary is going to have a son. You must name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.'

19th December 2019

Dear Parents

Inset day – the third and final INSET day of the year has now been arranged. School will be closed on **Friday 14th February 2020** for staff training.

Mass - We will be celebrating a whole school Mass for the end of term on Friday 20th December at 9:15am. Everybody is welcome. Mass will take place in the school hall due to ongoing building works in church. Please bear with us with seating arrangements as we try to fit everyone in.

Epiphany mass – **Tuesday 7th January.** We will begin the new year with whole school Mass at 9:15am led by Father Philip. Everybody is welcome. Mass will again take place in the school hall.

Admission to school September 2020– letters have been posted. 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 **15th January 2020**. Please note that school requires a copy of birth and baptism certificates, along with two proofs of residency. More detailed information is available on the school website under the Admissions section.

Nursery hours funded – If your child's hours of funding are to increase or decrease from January then please contact the school office or send an email to admin@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk to advise the change in hours.

Dinner Monies / Nursery Snack Fund – school dinner money for next term will be £66.70 (29 days), and alternatively you can pay weekly £11.50 or on-line using the link at www.tameside.gov.uk and click on the link school meals. School fund next term will be £6.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School.

Nursery snack fund for the term will be £21.00 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School; alternatively you can use the School Money on-line system www.eduspot.co.uk a text will be sent week commencing 6th January 2020. School fund is £7.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School.

Year 5 Residential Trip – please bring your instalments up-to-date. Payment by cash and cheque are acceptable. Payment can be made using the online payment systems www.eduspot.co.uk The next instalment will be due 24th January 2020.

Swimming – Year 3 will be swimming from Monday 6th January. Please ensure they bring their swimming kit with them when they return to school.

Christmas Productions – Thank you to everybody who donated or bought a programme. Total monies collected £509.13. A cheque will be sent to Francis House Children's Hospice.

Promoting the love of God and neighbour in a Catholic environment



Christmas Productions – DVD order forms for both Infant and Junior productions can be sent in with payment of £6.50 for each DVD along with your child's name and class clearly marked on the envelope. These orders will be processed in the new year.

Year 3 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 22nd January 5:30pm – in school (parents only)

Enrolment Mass: Sunday 26th January 11:00am – in church (parents and children)

Second meeting: Wednesday 4th March 5:30pm – in school (parents only)

First Forgiveness: Wednesday 11th March 6:30pm (in church)

Third meeting: Wednesday 6th May 5:30pm – in school (parents only)

First Holy Communion Mass: Saturday 16th May 2019 10:30am – in church

Building work inside Church – church continues to have inspections and there will be subsequent building work on the church ceiling. This will involve scaffolding being placed across most parts of the church and so will affect the Masses and Liturgies for the next couple of months. Due to this, Saturday evening 6:30pm Mass and Sunday morning 11:00am Mass will take place in the parish hall.

After School Clubs – Clubs will resume week commencing 13th January 2020, apart from First Aid, Yoga and Terri which resume week commencing 6th January. Permission slips will be sent out week commencing 6th January for the rest. The after school timetable will be sent out week commencing 6th January.

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 15th January until 1st April, please complete the permission slip that will be sent out when we return from the holidays. Places limited to 12 which will be selected randomly.

Parish and community events

St. Peter's Church - due to the building work depriving us of the church building this Christmas there will be a change in our Christmas Mass times. The first Mass of Christmas Eve will be at 4.30pm designed especially for children and the second Mass will be at 7pm where all families are welcome. Please note the time change. On Christmas Day there will be one Mass at 11am. We hope to return to our usual Christmas Mass times next year.

LEGOLAND leaflets/Sealife Centre – discount leaflets for these attractions at the Trafford Centre are available from the school office.

Circus Starr - George Lawton Hall, Mossley, OL5 0HR Sunday 26th January 2020 performances 1:30pm and 4pm – tickets are free, available from the school office with no limit.

Circus Starr is an independent charitable organisation that supports disadvantaged and disabled children across the UK.

Please find below some dates for your diary:

Friday 20th December – whole school mass for the end of term. 9:15 am in school.

Please note school will close at **2:30pm on Friday 20th December.**

Monday 6th January 2020 – School reopens 8:50am

Wednesday 22nd January 2020 – FHC first meeting (parents only) 5:30pm in school.

Friday 14th February 2020 – 3rd Inset Day. School will be closed on this day.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year – Please can I take this opportunity to say a big thank you for all your continued support for school over this last term. It is very much appreciated and continues to be a pleasure and a privilege to serve the families of this wonderful community. I truly hope you all have a very blessed Christmas and get to enjoy many happy times with your loved ones before we see you all again in January.

Kind regards

Mr R. Gould
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