



St Catherine's C of E School

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St Catherine's Newsletter - Autumn 4

"At St Catherine's Church of England School, we strive to educate our children to realise their aspirations and to contribute positively to society guided by our Christian principles."



Confirmed Diary Dates:

Spring 1st Half Term: Tuesday 5th January -Friday 12th February

Spring Half Term Holiday: Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

Spring 2nd Half Term: Monday 22nd February – Thursday 1st April

Easter Holiday: Friday 2nd April – Friday 16th April

Summer 1st Half Term: Monday 19th April – Friday 28th May

Summer Half Term Holiday – Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Summer 2nd Half Term – Tuesday 8th June – Thursday 22nd July



REMINDER: School returns on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

ALL routines for social distancing, Covid prevention and staggered times will remain in force when we return, until otherwise directed. Many thanks for your continued vigilance and support, as important now as ever.

Values in Action Awards

These are our Values in Action Role Models:

Reception:-Coen-creativity:-Lily-courage:-
Louie-compassion:-Julia-respectful.

Class1:-Ruby-friendship:-Jasmine-
responsibility:-Lily-Respectful:-Leon-
truthfulness.

Class2:-Isabelle-courage:-Piotr-generosity:-
Dante-service:-Louis-courage.

Class3:-Gerard-respectful:-Jasmine-friendship:-
Louis-compassion:-Amina-compassion.

Class4:-Kornelia-humility:-Kalina-respectful:-
Lewis-service:-Skye-compassion.

Class5:-Anna-compassion:-Brooklyn-
forgiveness:-Megan-compassion:-Connor-
kindness.

Class6:-Grace-respectful:-Ryan-compassion:-
Evie-responsibility:-Ronnie-respectful.

Learners of the Week Awards

These are our star learners:

Reception:-Willow-resilience:-Rufus-
responsibility:-Anya-resilience:-Lauren-
respectful.

Class1:Marcelina-responsibility:-Jake-
reflectiveness:-Lydia-responsibility:-Henry-
resourcefulness.

Class2:-Rebeca-resilience:-Lincoln-
reflectiveness:-Kevin-respectful:-Gracie-
reflectiveness.

Class3:-Hannah-responsibility:-Jack-
reflectiveness:-Phoebe-resilience:-Gerard-
resourcefulness.

Class4:-Taran-resilience:-Jack-resilience:-Millie-
Rose-responsibility:-Brogan-reflectiveness.

Class5:-Lina-resilience:-Aaron-resilience:-Toby-
responsibility:-Jacob C-reflectiveness.

Class6:-Evie-responsibility:-Daria-
reflectiveness:-Courtney-resilience:Jhah Jhah -
responsibility.



Community Notices

Year Six Youth Club Orchard Centre

A place for Year Six and Seven students to meet and make new friends. Held at the Orchard Centre every Friday evening – 5.00 – 6.30pm.

THE HANGOUT

A PLACE FOR YEAR 6'S AND 7'S WHO ARE GOING TO COLLEGE TO COME AND MEET NEW PEOPLE.

LIMITED SPACES, PLEASE BOOK - 07376 629 014

December 2020	
	Tomato Pasta
	Make a Card
	Closed
	Closed

January 2021	
open Fri 8th	Closed
	Smoothies & Fruit Pops
	Giant Flowers
	Snakes and Ladders

Febuary 2021	
	Flapjacks
	Wii Competition
	Film Night
	Around the World



Christmas fun 2020!

Wonderful carols and nativity, mind-boggling magic, creative crafts, delicious dinner and a bit of Christmas magic in the corner of the hall!



Christmas Gift from Bridge Church

We hope the children will enjoy this pack provided by a local church, with an activity book to complete and a chocolate bar Christmas treat!



IMPORTANT CHANGES TO OUR FOOD POLICY

Nut Free

You may remember, that last year, we sent out an allergy policy for consultation. We are now introducing that new allergy policy. This policy is to ensure that we do not use nuts in any of our food prepared on site at our school. Our suppliers provide us with nut-free products. However, we cannot guarantee freedom from nut traces.

As we have an increasing number of children with severe nut allergies, we will not be allowing nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes from January.

Our "Allergy Aware School" means **that the following items should not be brought into school for snacks or lunches from January 5th 2021:**

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts
- Hummus (as it contains sesame see paste)

Parents and carers must notify staff of any known or suspected allergy to nuts and provide all medical and necessary information. This will be added to the child's care plan and if necessary a meeting organised with the class teacher.

Although at present we are not accepting homemade snacks or party food contributions, when this resumes, all homemade items sent to school for sharing must have a label detailing all ingredients present and the kitchen environment where the food was prepared must be nut free.

The school requests that parents and carers observe the Allergy Aware and nut-free policy and therefore do not include nuts, or any traces of nuts, in packed lunches.

Many thanks for your support with helping to keep all our children safe.

St Catherine's Christmas Celebration



We have all been really sad to not be able to share the Christian Festivals with you as we usually do, through presentations and church services, but we are proud to announce that the St Catherine's Celebration of Christmas Virtual Service is now available to watch with your families on the St Catherine's School website! Many thanks go to all the children who performed wonderfully, the teaching staff who organised and filmed each contribution and a special thankyou to Mrs Phillpotts, who took so much time and effort to make it all into one amazing presentation. We hope you all really enjoy the children's Christmas present to you and that it brings a bit of Christmas magic into all your homes this year.

Final Thoughts for 2020

As we come to the end of our first term back at school, I'm sure there are lots of things we could say about the unique experience of returning to school in the middle of this world-wide pandemic! It has without doubt presented many challenges for schools, parents and children alike and we have had to think on our feet and be flexible in ways previously not envisaged. However, our lasting impression of the last few months has been the overwhelmingly positive and motivated attitude that all our children have displayed, the learning progress made in every class and the total joy we have all felt in being back together as a school family.

As always, we remain extremely grateful for all your care and support and all at St Catherine's wish you a very happy Christmas and a peaceful, healthy New Year.

