

2 December 2011

Newsletter No 12



Dear Parents/Carers

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in the Celebration Assembly on Monday 5 December 2011. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend.

Hana Fitzpatrick Nursery For always trying her very best in whole class activities.	Qais Mohammad RW For working hard to learn his lines for the Christmas Nativity.	Faris Charlery RG For a super Christmas decoration design.
Lequarn Lynch 1H For demonstrating excellent control and skill when using a hockey stick in P.E.	Emily Simpson 1/2L For making good progress in her independent writing.	Ubaid Khan 2S For always trying his best in his work.
Indervir Sekhon 3L For always trying hard in Maths	Rachel Ewins 3/4MW For creating a calligram in ICT and helping other children to create their own.	Chenee Taylor 4W For working hard to create an interesting design for a fabric container.
Baveeta Sehjal 5B For writing an excellent suspense paragraph	Maiya Kauldhar 5/6S For excellent work in maths lessons.	Xantaine Campbell 6SH For always being enthusiastic and trying her best.

Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	5/6S
Spick and Span	6SH
Attendance	2S
Dinner Time	Yummy Bear goes to RG Runners up - 3/4MW

Kind and Thoughtful Person

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly dog. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Monday 5 December 2011. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1	KS2
Anshika Mahandru 1/2L For being kind to another child who was feeling sad.	Ismail Younis 6SH For being very kind to another child who had hurt his arm in P.E.



Christmas Dates for your Diary

Event	Time	Date
Christmas Nativity	2:00pm	Thursday 8 December 2011
Christmas Carol Concert	6:00pm	Tuesday 13 December 2011
Christmas Church Service	11:15am	Thursday 15 December 2011

Parents/Carers are welcome to attend.

Christmas Parties

Nursery, Foundation Years and Key Stage 1 Christmas party will be held on Tuesday 13 December 2011. Key Stage 2 Christmas party will be held on Wednesday 14 December 2011. Both parties will start at 1:30pm. All children must come to school in their school uniform and bring their party clothes to change into in the afternoon.

Reminder about Healthy Food

A number of children are bringing in crisps or chocolate as a snack for morning break and in their lunchboxes. Can I remind parents/carers that as we are a healthy school we encourage children to bring in a healthy snack. Children in Key Stage 1 do not need to bring in anything as they receive a piece of fruit at morning break. All children have access to water throughout the day. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Urgent Reminder for Reception Places - September 2012

Parents/carers who have a child who was born between 1 September 2007 and 31 August 2008 need to make an application for their child to start Reception Class in September 2012 by no later than Monday 16 January 2012. The quickest and easiest way to make an application is online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by contacting a member of the School Admissions and Pupil Placements Service on 0121 675 0555.

Attendance

We continue to monitor our attendance and punctuality at St Mary's. Some parents may get a letter as a result of this. A number of children are still arriving late for school. Could you please ensure that your child/children arrive at school by 8.55am.

If your child is going to be absent from school then you will need to inform the school of the reason, either by phone or letter.

Term Dates

End of Term	Children break up on Thursday 15 December 2011 and return to school on Thursday 5 January 2012
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Ava Sturridge-Packer CBE
Head Teacher