



St. Mary's Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy Handsworth

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thought for the Week

*"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
Nelson Mandela*

Christmas Nativity

As a school we were thrilled to bits about this years Nativity which was performed yesterday by the Foundation Stage children. The reception classes had the main parts and the nursery class did a dance. It is truly amazing that such young children achieved such a high standard. Well done also to the excellent narrators from year 2. We could hear every word clearly and the children spoke with real expression. Well done to the choir. A special well done to Mrs Pitterson, Miss Packer and Miss Bownass for their excellent team work. Thank you also to all the other staff who made a contribution to an amazing performance.

Christmas Dates for your Diary

Event	Date	Time
Christmas Choir Concert	Tuesday 17 December 2013	6:00pm
Key Stage 1 & Nursery Christmas Party	Tuesday 17 December 2013	1:30pm
Key Stage 2 Party	Wednesday 18 December 2013	1:30pm
Christmas Church Service	Thursday 19 December 2013	11:00am

Christmas Parties

This year's Christmas parties are being held on the dates in the table above. All children need to come to school dressed in their school uniform and bring their party clothes in a bag to change into when their party starts.

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in the Celebration Assembly on Monday 16 December 2013. All Parents/Carers are welcome to attend and stay for coffee afterwards. If Parents/Carers do attend could I please ask them to stay until Celebration Assembly finishes. This demonstrates to all the children that the entire celebration assembly is valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

Weekly Certificates

Christmas Dancers Nursery For their excellent performance in the nativity	Whole Class RW For an excellent performance of the Christmas Story	Whole Class RB For a brilliant performance in their Nativity
Mayan Richards 1C For making a fantastic police car in Design Technology	Thomas Bairstow 1/2L For working hard all week at his multiplication	Cimorah-Lei Gordon 2S For the confidence and knowledge she shared while discussing the life of Nelson Mandela
Marlan Richards 3B For a lovely diary entry of Nelson Mandela	Shayla-Moore Samuda 3/4SS For making a lovely calendar and trying hard to make progress in her Literacy	Malachi McPherson 4J For improved presentation in Literacy and working extremely hard in Maths
Demario Brown 5W For working hard to tell the time	Alisha Ejaz 5/6B For working hard in all areas	Ethan Stafford-Cookson 6S For making excellent progress in reading comprehension

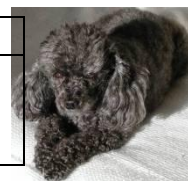
Lining Up	6S
Spick and Span	5/6B
Movement Bird	4J
Attendance	RB
Dinner Time	Yummy Bear goes to RB Runners up - RW

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 16 December 2013. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1	KS2
Isaac Ejaz For offering support to a child who found Maths challenging	Kulvinder Bhakad For helping a little child to tie their laces



Attendance and Punctuality

Please support us in continuing to improve our attendance and punctuality by encouraging your children to come to school and be on time every day.

Term Dates

Christmas Holiday	Children break up on Thursday 19 December 2013 and return on Tuesday 7 January 2014
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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