

St John's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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The last few weeks have been a busy time at St John's. Many events have taken place and the children have had a lovely time in the run up to Christmas.

Your generosity and support of our Cafod and Children in Need charitable events has been exceptional and is greatly appreciated by the whole school Community. On behalf of myself, staff and governors of St John's I would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you and your children back to school in January 2024.

Miss D Maudsley

Attendance Assembly

What a fantastic term we have had in St. John's for Attendance! We had a significant number of children receive certificates, books and prizes for excellent attendance and most improved attendance in our attendance assembly. Well done everyone and keep up this excellent attendance next term.

Remember EVERY DAY COUNTS!





Just before Christmas, some of our Key Stage 2 pupils performed at the **Resonate Christmas Concert** at Notre Dame. Our musical groups played their instruments in front of many parents and guests. It was great to see our children perform with such energy at this wonderful event.



Healthy Eating

Cancer Research came into school to do Science Workshops with some of the year groups concentrating on Healthy Eating and DNA.

Our KS2 children, parents and staff celebrated our annual **Carol Service in Church**. The children read amazingly and sang beautifully. Thank you to our Faith Friends group who played a huge part in this service. A special thank you to Father Peter who said mass and Anne and Pat, great friends of St John's school and long serving catechists.



Nursery Singalong



Our Nursery children had a wonderful time learning a lot of new Christmas songs in the run up to Christmas. The children's families came to Nursery to watch the children's merry singalong. The children sang loudly and with lots of enthusiasm... it was an absolute joy for all to hear!

"It's behind you!"

All of the children at St John's were treated to an in-house performance of Beauty and the Beast Led by professional actors from M&M theatrical productions. This is an annual event at St John's and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



Advent Assembly

Year 4 loved welcoming the parents and carers to watch their Advent assembly to celebrate the season of waiting for the birth of Jesus. Everyone worked really hard and enjoyed performing and teaching everyone about Advent.



Our City: Liverpool

Year 2 went on a **FANTASTIC** trip. As a celebration of our wonderful geography topic, 'Our City: Liverpool' we went to the **Museum of Liverpool** and even got to take a trip on the world famous **Ferry** across the **Mersey**.



Reception Nativity

Our Reception Children performed a wonderful nativity performance for their families. All of the children worked very hard to learn their songs, lines and dances and performed confidently in front of their audience. We were very proud of them all. Well done Reception!



España

During our Spanish-themed day, some of our brilliant KS2 Spanish speaking pupils shared the Spanish version of 'The Three Little Pigs' with our Reception classes.



This term, Year 6 took part in the **'Students of the Future Roadshow'** delivered by university students from the University of Liverpool. It was very insightful and interesting learning all about university life and the wide variety of courses available at university.

LEST WE FORGET



Year 2 children presented a Remembrance Day Assembly in November for their parents and carers to commemorate our heroes of wars current and past.



Chester Dewa

Year 4 enjoyed their trip to Roman Chester this term. We had great fun exploring the real amphitheatre, learning all about gladiators and training to become our own Roman army! The people of Chester were quivering as we stormed through their town. SIN! SIN! SIN! DAX! SIN!



WOW St John's, £350.52 raised.
Thank you to you all. 😊

ODD SOCKS DAY



Early Years and KS1 had a visit from the author Jude Lennon. They really enjoyed listening to her wonderful stories and learning all about the characters in her books.



Our Key Stage 1 children performed a Nativity Christmas Performance for their parents and carers. Everybody was impressed with the skill with which they delivered the lines of the plays that they had practiced and learnt.

Thank you to all of our parents and carers who came to support their children.

Nativity



Catalyst Museum



Year 3 had a fantastic day at The Catalyst Museum. We enjoyed our workshop about rocks, fossils and volcanoes and particularly enjoyed the part where we made our own fossils and volcanic eruptions!

CHRISTMAS PARTY



The children were treated to plenty of party food, drink, games and dancing on 'Christmas Party Day' The children had a wonderful day.

SANTA DASH

Thank you to all our generous parents and carers. We have raised an amazing **£941.38** for Cafod



...ool finishes on
Friday the 22nd of December at normal time
Children return to school on
Monday the 8th of January