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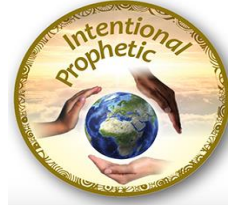
# St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

## Week ending Friday 06 December 2024



**TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION**  
SEASON OF CREATION 2024

*The firstfruits of hope*  
(Rom 8:19-25)




**Live, Love and Learn with Jesus**

*THE WEDNESDAY WORD*


Special word of the week is:  
**"PREPARATION"**

When Pontius Pilate was the Roman governor of Judaea, a man appeared in the desert and began to preach the word of God. His name was John. He told people to turn away from their sins and to ask for God's forgiveness. He baptised the people who were truly sorry and wanted to make a fresh start in their lives. He came to be known as "John, the Baptist."

Luke 3: 1-6





**THIS WEEK'S NEWS**




Thank you for the many donations of toiletries we have already received. Please continue to send in suitable items throughout Advent. We shall be delivering them to Fr Hudson's Care on Wednesday 18 December. See p3.

Please check the note on p4 about events, Nativity Plays & Carol Services. For the Carol Services, please return your reply slip to book your seats!



Thank you for calling the office early if your child will be absent. Written evidence is needed for medical/dental appointments.



This week's attendance: **88%**




**Attendance Matters**  
...every school day counts!

**Be an attendance hero:**  
**Here Every day Ready Ontime**



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Let us know if we can help should you have any problems.

## MESSAGES FROM CLASS TEACHERS

<b>Nursery</b>	Nursery children have been enjoying our new "Santa's Workshop" and practising for the Nativity Play - Welcome Jesus!
<b>Reception</b>	In Reception Class this week, we have been learning about the Nativity and acting out the story. We have had great fun singing, acting and dancing.
<b>Year One</b>	Year 1 pupils are so excited to show off their beautiful singing skills in our KS1 Nativity Play "Happy Birthday, Jesus" which is happening very soon!
<b>Year Two</b>	We sang and read beautifully during Mass this week as we prepare and wait for Jesus' coming at Christmas.
<b>Year Three</b>	Y3 children have been preparing for Christmas by learning all about the season of Advent. We are also learning all the carols ready for our Carol Services next week.
<b>Year Four</b>	We have been learning about Geometry this week and exploring the properties of shapes. Keep working hard to learn the words for our Carol Services.
<b>Year Five</b>	We have been practising hard for our Carol Services and learning all about the meaning of the Season of Advent.
<b>Year Six</b>	Thanks you for all your hard work this week, Year Six. Remember to practice your Carols and to read every day as well as complete all your homework tasks.



### Reception

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### Year One

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### Year Two

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Please join us in our Advent project to help the needy and homeless at Christmas.

We are collecting toiletry items that we can give to charitable organisations to help people who are struggling.

You are asked to donate any of the following which you can afford:

- toothpaste/toothbrushes
- soap/shampoo
- shower gel
- hand cream/body cream
- baby products
- disposable razors/shaving foam
- hairbrushes/combs/toilet rolls

The list is endless.

You are welcome to send in donations any day throughout the Season of Advent.

Your gifts will be shared with local charitable organisations in the last week of term.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity.





## IMPORTANT DATES

✦ Monday 09 December

**Christmas Lunch Nursery 1 Christmas Hats**

✦ Tuesday 10 December

KS2 Carol Service 14:00

✦ Wednesday 11 December

Nursery and Reception Nativity 09:30

✦ Thursday 12 December

Nursery and Reception Nativity 09:30

KS2 Carol Service 14:00

✦ Friday 13 December

**Heritage Day - traditional clothes/non-uniform**

✦ Monday 16 December

KS1 Nativity Play 14:00

✦ Tuesday 17 December

**Party Day Nursery 1 - Christmas outfits**

Y6 visit to the Crescent Theatre

✦ Wednesday 18 December

Whole School Mass 09:15 in the School Hall

✦ Thursday 19 December

Performing Arts' Assembly 09:10

Party Day - **non-uniform**

✦ Friday 20 December

School closes for Christmas: **non-uniform**

13:00 Nursery

13:25 Y3/Y4

13:30 Reception/Y1/Y2/Y5/Y6

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05 December 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

We have been informed by West Midlands about an attempt to abduct a child from the Handsworth Wood/Lozells area of Birmingham which occurred on 4 December 2024.

The child, a Y5 pupil, was walking to school on Wednesday morning and was approached by an unknown and unrelated individual. No further details are known at present, and West Midlands Police are still currently investigating the incident.

Events like these remind us of the importance of ensuring children are aware of "**stranger danger**," especially when walking to and from school unaccompanied. We address this in school as part of our safeguarding measures, and today, teachers are reminding children of the basic rules to stay safe:

- Never talk to strangers
- Always ignore strangers who ask questions or tell you to do something
- Avoid walking alone whenever possible
- Speak only to trusted adults if you are concerned about anything

As parents and carers, we know you want to stay informed. Should a similar situation arise in our area, we shall inform you immediately by letter/e-mail/website. We advise you to discuss safety rules with your children, **especially if they travel to and from school unaccompanied.**

Thank you for your support. If you see anything suspicious in the local area, please contact the police and the school. West Midlands Police can be contacted via Live Chat at [West Midlands Police](#) between 8am and midnight or by calling 101.

Yours sincerely

Mrs MM Stanley  
Headteacher



Archdiocese of  
Birmingham

