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20th December 2019



Dear Parents,

It has been a week of festive activities and the children have entered into the spirit with great singing and cheer at the Christmas lunch and yesterday in the class Christmas Parties.



Today at our end of term Assembly we completed our Christmas Wreath and Nativity followed by the presentation of the House Cup – congratulations to St Catherine for the winning total of house points. Well done to all Houses, with St Martin, St Rose and St Dominic all having class winners.



Merit Certificates

3Anning	Evie Welch	For excellent effort and singing during the Christmas show and for her consistently good attitude to learning.
3Nightingale	Rocco Brown	For his fantastic progress. He has worked so hard all term and made significant leaps in reading and writing.
4Jemison	Michal Sojka	For his excellent role as the Inn Keeper and listening to direction.
4Attenborough	Luke McNamee	For making an extra special effort recently and it has shown – the progress he has made in his learning, the quality of his work, and his very proud smile.
5Mandela	Taylor Jones	She has grown in confidence in her writing since September. She is developing as an independent learner.
5Einstein	Johan Binu	For excellent questions in RE lessons and for improved presentation. Well done.
6Johnson	Caeden Ivory	For persevering with tricky learning until it sticks! Excellent progress with percentages.
6Martin Luther King	Nathaniel Kolsut	For fantastic effort with his learning and very pleasing assessment results.

Talent Show

The talent show was wonderful with so many children performing a range of talents which were all well received. The winners were announced today by our Year 6 organisers. Well done to:

Upper School: 1st Voice Crack; 2nd Casey Woodstock and Ruby Hibberd (Magic); 3rd Lucca Sena and Samuel Ghebre.

Lower School: Nasri Davidson-Ali and Oscar Liddle (gymnastics); Freya Rajendram (piano); 3rd Kai Seabrook (guitar).

Behaviour Certificates

Children will be coming home with their Behaviour Certificates for this half term – those that have had no level 2s or above will have a Gold Certificate; those with just one Level 2 will have a Silver and those with just two Level 2s a bronze. This change has been made on the advice of the School Council.

Charitas choir - Sunday

Our Caritas Choir entertained the older parishioners at their Caritas lunch at Our Lady's on Sunday with songs from Jesus' Christmas Party. The guests thoroughly enjoyed hearing the children sing. Thank you to all the parents for making it possible.



Christmas Non-Uniform day

Thank you for your donations to St Francis Hospice for our Christmas themed non-uniform day. £166 was raised for this very worthwhile cause. Thank you to Freya Clift for nominating the charity.

Farewell

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Eustace who has worked in the office, at Breakfast Club and at lunchtimes. She is moving on to concentrate on administration full time and we thank her and wish her all the best.

Reminders

We look forward to seeing the children back on Tuesday January 7th.

Swimming starts for Year 4 on Thursday 16th

Clubs starting in the first week back are:

TaeKwondo Friday January 10th

The following week

Street Dance Monday January 13th

Tech Club Monday January 13th

All APEX Clubs the week of January 13th

Mad Science Thursday January 16th

On behalf of all the staff, thank you for the lovely gifts you have given this week, it is very kind of you and means a lot to us all.

Wishing each and every one of you a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year

Mrs Smith

Head Teacher