



**Newsletter 15**  
**20<sup>th</sup> 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	<b>Evie Welch</b>	For excellent effort and singing during the Christmas show and for her consistently good attitude to learning.
3Nightingale	<b>Rocco Brown</b>	For his fantastic progress. He has worked so hard all term and made significant leaps in reading and writing.
4Jemison	<b>Michal Sojka</b>	For his excellent role as the Inn Keeper and listening to direction.
4Attenborough	<b>Luke McNamee</b>	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	<b>Taylor Jones</b>	She has grown in confidence in her writing since September. She is developing as an independent learner.
5Einstein	<b>Johan Binu</b>	For excellent questions in RE lessons and for improved presentation. Well done.
6Johnson	<b>Caeden Ivory</b>	For persevering with tricky learning until it sticks! Excellent progress with percentages.
6Martin Luther King	<b>Nathaniel Kolsut</b>	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: 1<sup>st</sup> Voice Crack; 2<sup>nd</sup> Casey Woodstock and Ruby Hibberd (Magic); 3<sup>rd</sup> Lucca Sena and Samuel Ghebre.

Lower School: Nasri Davidson-Ali and Oscar Liddle (gymnastics); Freya Rajendram (piano); 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Swimming** starts for Year 4 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

### **Clubs starting in the first week back are:**

TaeKwondo Friday January 10<sup>th</sup>

### **The following week**

Street Dance Monday January 13<sup>th</sup>

Tech Club Monday January 13<sup>th</sup>

All APEX Clubs the week of January 13<sup>th</sup>

Mad Science Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup>

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**