

Weekly Update - 16.12.20



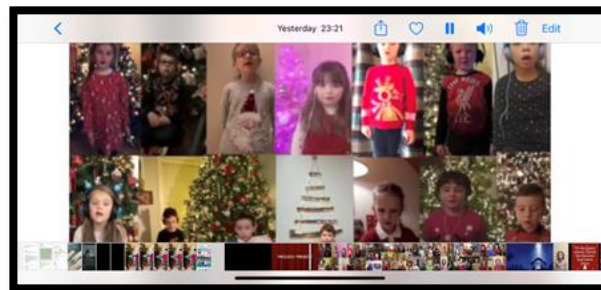
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Dear Parents,

We have finally made it to the end of this term and a well earned break for everyone concerned. May I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to you our parents for all your help and support regarding all matters, particularly in such strange times with Covid. It will certainly be a Christmas to remember. I want to thank in particular the wonderful staff of our school, who have worked so hard and have been so diligent and committed to ensure everyone remains as safe as possible at this time. I know you will join me in wishing them all a truly peaceful, restful and Happy Christmas.



We can see you have enjoyed the launch of our Christmas story on Facebook, involving most of our pupils, who are to be congratulated on a job well done! Sincere thanks to the entire staff and team of people who have worked so hard behind the scenes to assist in producing our final project.



At 7.00p.m this evening we are publishing our Christmas song 'In a Stable Long Ago', which our pupils completed as part of our Christmas song project. All pupils have been absolutely fantastic. I have no doubt when you view our song, your spirits will be truly lifted by their sweet and happy voices.




Our Christmas School Raffle, organised by Friends of St. Joseph and St. James's has raised an amazing amount of **£1500**. We are completely overwhelmed by such generosity and wish to thank everyone who has supported this worthy cause, either by donating the fabulous prizes or through purchasing tickets. All proceeds will directly benefit all pupils in our school. Results of the raffle will be announced later today.




Parents, can we please appeal for your support in providing more kitchen roll and tissues, as our supplies are naturally diminishing. If you could please ensure each pupil provides these on our return to school in January 2021.

Primary School Admissions – 2021

Information regarding the new intake for September 2021 will be issued by EANI on 18.12.20. Please see notification below, which was recently published on the EANI facebook page.





**Pre-School and
Primary School Online
Admissions take place online**

**The Online Portal will open
on 7 January 2021 and
close on 29 January**

Regularly updated information and guidance
will be provided to parents by the EA and
schools over the coming weeks and months

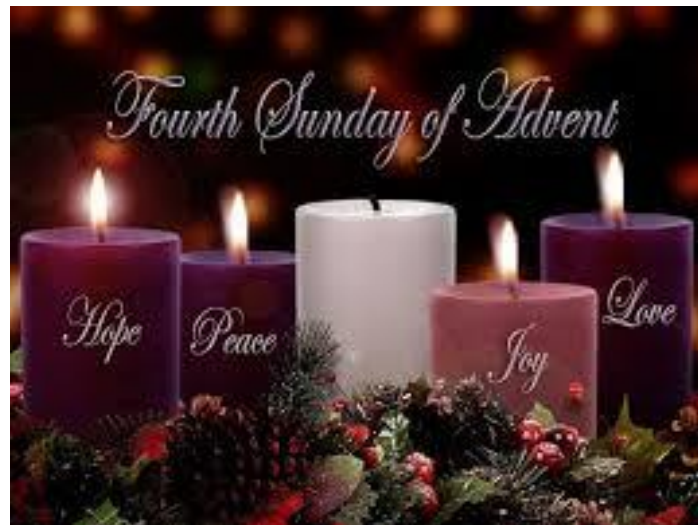
For help and advice, parents/ guardians can contact our Admissions Helpdesk via
emails: preschooladmissions@eani.org.uk or primaryadmissions@eani.org.uk

Reminder:

School will end tomorrow Thursday 17.12.20 at 11.00a.m for all pupils and will reopen on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

We will update you if there are any changes to the beginning of Term 2. Please ensure you keep notifications on, from our school app, which will send you all communications in the first instance.

As we make our journey into the final week this Advent we prepare our hearts for Christ's coming through Love for one another, as the theme.



Wishing you all, your families and our entire school community a Christmas full of Joy, peace and love as we enter 2021, with hope in our hearts for a prosperous New Year.

Yours in partnership

C. Wadsworth and All the staff of St. Joseph and St. James's P.S.