



Holy Family Catholic Primary School

*To work, to pray, to play
in the Light of the Lord*



NEWSLETTER 3

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2017

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Advent

God of hope
be with us in our Advent journey
to the stable and beyond,
be with us in our meeting
and in our travelling together,
be with us in our worship
and our praying together,
be with us in our Advent journey
to the stable and beyond,
our God of hope.

Holy Family SCHOOL ADMISSIONS ~ September 2018

If you know of anyone considering Holy Family Catholic Primary School for their child, they are warmly invited to visit us to look around our happy school at work, on Tuesday 12th December 9.30 to 11.00. Children will give parents a tour of the whole school and answer any questions parents have. The Governors will admit 30 children aged 4+, in September 2018. Children born on and between **1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014** may be admitted full time. The deadline for applications is Monday 15th January 2018.

The closing date for applications this year is Friday 15th January 2018

Radio Aire: Mission Christmas 2017!

This year we are collecting gifts for Radio Aire's Mission Christmas. This charity's aim is to make sure that every child in Leeds and Yorkshire has a present to open on Christmas day. We are asking you to bring in new gifts unwrapped before the 11th of December so the Mini Vinnies can take them to Radio Aire!



Christmas Dinner

On Friday 15th December we will once again be having our Christmas dinner, we have ordered the Christmas crackers, done the last finishing touches decorating the hall and the Turkeys are on their way!

We hope to see you all there. Please ensure if you have ordered meals they are paid for via Parentmail.



Travelling Crib

Classes are taking turns in bringing home 'Travelling cribs' during the season of Advent. Families are offered a crib, a prayer book and a storybook to take home in preparation for Christmas. Please take the time to play and pray with your child chosen to have the crib.



HOFFs Events 2017

Christmas Market	Friday 8th December
Breakfast with Santa	Thursday 14th December

Generation Café

Thank you to all who let us know that Grandparents may enjoy joining us for some festive cheer. A special café will be run by our Mini Vinnies on Monday 11th December at 2pm. Grandparetns are invited to join us for an hour of Christmas songs dance and treats.

Cannon Hall Farm!

On 22nd November Year 1 went on a school trip to Cannon Hall Farm and they had a lovely day.

All the animals were really well behaved as we fed the goats and lamas.



Reception trip to the Cinema

SING!

On 13th November Reception class went to Hyde Park Cinema to watch the amazing SING!

They all had a lovely time and were so well behaved, they couldn't wait to tell us all about it when they got back.



Sports Fixtures

Sports hall Athletics - 16th Nov at Swallow Hill - 1st place overall so we've qualified for School Sport Partnership Final at Priesthorpe on Tues 5th Dec.

Tennis on 21st Nov - a group of Year 5&6 girls took part in a tennis event at John Charles Centre called 'She Rallies' which is run by Judy Murray. Everyone had a fantastic time and learnt lots of new skills.

The second league race of the Saturday morning cross country took place in Otley last month. On a difficult course there were many very good performances especially for the U11 and U9 girls. It is a real shame we can not get more Y3/4 and Y5/6 girls running as the team have the potential to top the league.

Girls football 14th Nov V Alwoodley- won 6-1,

Girls football - 22nd Nov V St. Anthony's - Won 18-8

In Netball on 15th Nov V Cookridge - we Won 7-4.

Y4 boys sport festival - 23rd Nov at Swallow Hill - where we took part in numerous sports such as dodgeball, hockey and bench ball. Some of the boys had never played the sports before but were all brilliant! A special mention to Tristan who actually played for another school (because they were short of players) and the staff were very complimentary about how well behaved and friendly he was.

U11 Football. The team qualified for the Football League Road to Wembley Finals that will take place at Thorpe Arch in the New Year. The U11 are also through to the 3rd round of the Bishops Cup. Knocking Our Lady's Primary out with a 7-1 win.

U9 Football. The squad is developing and have recently played West End, Newlaithes and St Pauls. The match ended in default but valuable experience was gained. A first win came this week with a 9-0 win over St Paul's and 5-5 draw against a second St Paul's team.

Overall It has been a really good Term for sports at Holy Family, keep up the good work!

Future fixtures:

Fri 8th - Girls football at home V Meanwood

Weds 13th - Y5/6 Duathlon at Armley LC

Weds 13th - girls football at home V Holy Rosary

Thurs 14th - football at home V St. Paul's (Girls + U9)

Fri 15th - U11 V Weetwood at Lawnswood (provisional).

Tues 19th - girls football away at Sacred Heart.



Year 1 and 2 Production 'Nativity!'

Years 1 and 2's performance is sounding really good, they keep practising their lines and singing. They can't wait for you all to come and see them on Monday 18th at 2.30pm and Tuesday 19th at 9.30am to get into the Christmas spirit.



Holy Family Christmas Post Box!

Throughout the month of December there will be a post box for you to put your Christmas cards in. All you have to do is write people's full names, classes and Holy Family Catholic Primary School. The Christmas elves will deliver them to your classrooms.



Parenting Course

Parents have been taking part in a short, six week, fun packed course designed to help parents support their children's literacy development.



Christmas Market Friday 8th December 2017 3.30pm – 5pm

Holy Family's Christmas Market will be on Friday 8th December straight after school finishes in Key Stage 1 playground. This is a very fun, festive event that was enjoyed by many last year. The stalls are crammed with beautiful presents and Christmas decorations to purchase most of which have been made by the Children in School. Not forgetting the raffle which has a first prize of a Nintendo Switch and

There will be many activities such as

Splat the Pudding

Toy Tombola

Golden Cracker

School Council Games

And not forgetting Santa will be waiting with his helpers in the Grotto.

Food will also be available as you may be a bit peckish whilst walking around.

