Holy Family Catholic Primary School

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

Tuesday 19th December

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Christmas is around the corner...

Christmas is a special time

To give, to serve, to love. It isn't just about yourself, But others that you think of.

The presents, the trees, the glowing lights Are fun but have no part In what the real meaning of Christmas is... That is in your heart.

> Even if other people don't, You should try to do The things that you would want Them to do to you!

> The holidays are a busy time, But they are sometimes good Because they keep you thinking About others like you should.

So this year, try to not think about yourself, But think of the things you can do To help others have a wonderful Christmas, And you will find that you will be happy too.



<u>Christmas Dinner</u>

Friday 15th December we had over 300 Christmas dinners to cook! The Hall looked very festive with crackers, Christmas music and lots of happy faces!

We would like to thank all the parents, grandparents, aunties and uncle that came to join in the festive event, all the staff who helped out! With setting the hall up and running the activities in class, you did an amazing job. Of course the kitchen staff for making the amazing Christmas Dinner.



Christmas generation afternoon

On 11th Monday we invited a few more senior citizens from a local care home and some of our Grandparents to come along and have a lovely afternoon listening to our choir, watching the Zumba club's Christmas dance.

> All whilst enjoying some festive treats including homemade Mince Pies, biscuits and cakes made by our very own staff. Thank you they were scrumptious! After the choir had finished the grandparents spent a bit of time with their grandchildren. It was a joy-

> > ous afternoon full of Christmas cheer.

HOFF'S Events The Christmas Market!

The Christmas Market was on Friday 8th December. It was a huge success! We would like to thank all the staff who helped us out on the stalls and setting it all up! It was a very festive afternoon. Overall we raised £818.00, although we are still counting up he final total! Thank you for all your support.

Raffle prize winners were:

Julia F Yr4 1st prize Nintendo Switch Anna Fryer Yr 5 Lilly o's Mum 2nd prize food hamper Leo Barnet Yr5 3rd prize sweet hamper Tianna Edeson Yr 1, 4th prize alcohol hamper Thomas Leiper (Keldon Yr6) 5th prize toiletries hamper Callum Durkan Yr6 6th prize





Costa hamper Riley Holloway Yr1 7th prize rugby shirt Thomas Liper (Keldon Yr6) 8th prize VUE gift card

Breakfast with Santa:



December 14th we have a very special visitor to have breakfast with...SANTA! We had pancakes and Santa came round to talk to us all. We had a lovely, relaxing morning. Thank you to all who helped us out, we really appreciate everything you do for us!

FIRST DIRECT

On Thursday 14th December our school Choir went to First Direct in Leeds to sing



some lovely Christmas Carols to help all the staff feeling festive. Also show our

appreciation for the company and all they have done for us this year.



<u>Year 5 trip to the</u> <u>Ballet: The little</u> <u>Mermaid</u>

On the 7th December, Year 5 went to Leeds Grand Theatre to see The Little Mermaid ballet.

we had a fantastic time and really enjoyed the show! They loved how the mermaid changed into a bubble at the end. 'It was mesmerising!'

They cannot wait for our next ballet workshop and visit to the theatre to see Jane Eyre in March.

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Mission Christmas

This year we again asked for unwrapped Christmas gifts to help support Radio Aire's Mission Christmas charity. We passed on lots of lovely gifts, thank you for your generosity . On Wednesday 13th we went down to personally donate all the gifts and the appeal staff were very



grateful for our contributions.

<u>Holy Family Christmas Post:</u>

Throughout the month of December the Christmas elves have been sorting through the post and delivering them to the classes and staff. They have been very busy, everyday they have been sorting through cards!

Just a reminder, please can you put the child's full name and class so the elves

know where to deliver the cards to!





Sports Update!

As you may already know, Holy Family is a very sporty school and we love to take part in all the different Sports that are in Leeds. We have recently taken part in these events:

Wednesday 13th December was the Duathlon, we won <u>GOLD!</u>, It was a really fun event, we were against another six schools, we really tried our best and it paid off! Well done everyone who took part!

Our Girls Football Team have been playing really well too. On Thursday 14th December we beat St. Pauls 9-2, On 8th December we beat Meanwood a brilliant 13-0! Well done girls

you are playing brilliantly!

The under 9's got a first win of the season, beating St. Pauls 7-2 overall!



Foundations Production:

We are so very proud of all Foundation stage, they did so well learning their lines!

Thank you to all the parents that showed up to support us and all the staff that have lent a hand in the making of the production, we appreciate it a lot!

We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did performing it for you all.

Year 1/2 Production:

Well done to all the children in KS1. They have all worked so hard and we are all very proud of them. A massive thank you to all the parents and families who have supported the children by helping them to learn their lines and providing us with costumes.









Holy Family

Wishing you a Happy and Holy Christmas and New Year. See you all 4th January 2018:

<u>Back to school Thursday 4th</u> January

<u>Mass 10am Friday 5th January Feast of Epiphany</u>

