



*God Love Family*

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Countdown to Christmas at Holy Family



Dear Parents/Carers

With a busy half term ahead of us and Christmas celebrations to look forward to, we thought that we would outline the upcoming weeks and their events.

### Showcase Music Concert

**Year 4 – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm**

**Year 3 – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 3pm**



Our year 3 and 4 children look forward to playing their musical instruments to parents. It really is a lovely opportunity for parents to see how much they have learnt.

### Christmas Craft Fair

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3:30pm**

After the success of last year's £5 challenge and summer fete, we have decided to expand this year and turn it into a whole year project. This is kicking off on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3:30pm with our first ever Christmas Craft Fair. Each class will have a stall selling Christmas crafts created in school, as well as games to enjoy. Alongside the children's stalls, there will also be stalls being run by some parents and members of the local community and a fantastic raffle. Tickets for the raffle will be on sale from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, in the playground.



## **Christmas Nativities**

**Year 1 and 2 – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm**

**Year 3 and 4 – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am**

**Year 5 and 6 – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm**

All the children are already busy practising their lines and songs ready for this year's nativity performances. Tickets are on sale from the school office from Wednesday 22nd November for 50p each, with a limit of two per family per performance.

**Year R** will also be performing a retelling of the Christmas Story alongside some favourite carols on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am.**

## **Christmas Carol Concert at Holy Family Church**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm**

This is always a highlight of the year! Father Benjamin, children and staff from across the school will lead the Christmas Carol Concert, which includes beautiful readings, special songs and very cute outfits. We hope you can all join us for this very special celebration.

## **Christmas clothes swap and coffee morning**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 8:30am** *(please note: change of date due to the Christmas performances)*

Please come and join us for the final coffee morning of 2023! We will have our school uniform swap shop as well as Christmas swap shop available, as well as hot drinks and biscuits.

## **Pantomime time – Oh yes it is!**

**Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December (in school)**

**Year 5 and Year 6 - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

**Year 3 and Year 4 – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

We are so excited to be able to take all of the Key Stage 2 children to The Mayflower once again this year to watch the Christmas pantomime, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. If you haven't already booked on, please contact the school office as soon as possible. This trip is really fun and a wonderfully special way to end the term.



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## Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day

**Whole school - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

We all look forward to our annual Christmas lunch festivities, our kitchen staff really do prepare a delicious meal for us all to enjoy together.

Your child can wear their Christmas jumper on this day and instead of monetary donations we kindly ask for any non-perishable food items that will be donated to the local food banks.



We are all really excited in the run up to Christmas and hope that you and your children will enjoy all of our events during this festive time of year.

Kind regards

Gerida Montague  
(Executive Headteacher)