

St. Anne's Catholic Voluntary Academy
To be like Jesus.... wise, caring, honest and fair, today and every day
Lightwood Road, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 7AN

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Weekly Newsletter

10th December 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday was the second Sunday of Advent when the second, purple candle is lit on the Advent wreath. This candle typically represents love and is called the "Bethlehem Candle," symbolising Christ's manger. We will be lighting the first and second, purple candles on our Advent wreath during our whole school collective worship this afternoon and reflecting on Jesus' love for us.

Nano Nagle

St. Anne's School was founded by the Presentation Sisters in 1888. For more details about the school's history, follow the link on our website:

<http://www.st-annesrc.derbyshire.sch.uk/page/?title=The+School%27s+History&pid=11>

When the sisters left Buxton in 2005, we were presented with a lovely picture of the founder of the Presentation Sisters, Nano Nagle. It was on the wall in the ICT suite upstairs but we have moved it to the main reception area and displayed it on the wall outside the meeting room. We feel it that it deserves greater prominence, to remind us about the beginnings of our school. Please take a look next time you're in reception.

Advent Liturgy

Thank you to the members of our chaplaincy team who led a very beautiful and moving Advent liturgy last Thursday which focused on waiting: waiting for Jesus' birth.

Christmas Fair

An amazing response to requests for donations, a fantastic response to requests for helpers and a phenomenal number of people attending and supporting the event – a huge THANK YOU to you all! I would like to say a special thanks to: the FOSA team who work so hard to raise funds for our children; everyone who donated bottles and raffle prizes; to Father Christmas for taking time out of his very busy schedule to join us and finally; to everyone who attended and helped to raise £1,200! Well done, everyone! Gifts from the Christmas present room that we had left have been donated to Christmas in the community and will be given out to local people who are on their own or can't afford Christmas. P.S Don't forget to claim your raffle prizes if you haven't already done so!

The Nativity

A reminder that this year's performances are on Tuesday 18th December at 2pm and Wednesday 19th December at 6pm (3 tickets per family, per show) There is no cost for attending either performance. **If any families have any spare tickets that they are unable to use, please hand them in to the office in reception so they can be re-distributed.**



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The draw for Golden Tickets for centre front row seats at the afternoon and evening performances of the show will take place at Celebration Assembly on Friday 14th December. **Only 1 ticket per EYFS/KS1 child can be purchased so if you have 1 child, 1 entry will cost 50p, 2 children, 2 entries will cost £1 and so on.** To enter, put your child / children's name on an envelope with the payment detailed above and pop it in the FOSA box in Reception.

Christmas Carol Singalong

This will be held at St. Anne's Church on Sunday, December 16th, at 4pm. If you are able to attend, please put your name on the list at the back of church.

Christmas Carol Concerts

The EYFS/KS1 concert will take place on **Wednesday 19th December** and the **KS2 concert on Thursday 13th December, both between 2-3pm.** Please come and listen to your children singing Christmas Nativity songs (EYFS/KS1) and traditional Christmas carols (KS2) from 2.30pm. Mulled wine (non-alcoholic option available) and mince pies will be on sale from 2pm.

Shopping Bags

There are still some St. Anne's personalised shopping bags available. If you missed them at the Christmas Fair and would like the opportunity to buy one, FOSA will be selling them at all forthcoming Christmas events.

Celebration Assembly

The final Celebration Assembly of 2018 will take place on Friday 14th December - the first of 2019 will take place on Friday 11th January at 9 am.

Last day of term/INSET Day

Our final day of term, Thursday 20th December, is a normal school day and children should be collected/walk home at the usual time. School will be closed all day on Friday 21st December for an INSET day.

Prayers

Please pray for all our family and friends who need our prayers and for all those who feel lonely and isolated this Christmas.

Upcoming events

Remember to also check the website/school app/Dojo and newsletters for more information about future events and latest news.

Yours faithfully,

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