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Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Christmas Performance Reminders

Monday 11th December 2023 KS1 Christmas Performances (10 am & 4:30 pm]

Tuesday 12th December 2023 EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Nursery (10.00 a.m.)

Tuesday 12th December 2023 EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Reception (2.00 p.m.) Monday

18th December 2023 KS2 Christmas Carols (10 am & 4:30 pm]



Christmas Dinner

A reminder that school will be holding our festive Christmas dinner on Wednesday 13th December. This is a lovely opportunity for everyone across the school to share a festive meal together. If your child is having a packed lunch please do not forget to pack something festive for this day. For any child who already has a school meal parents do not need to inform us their child would like a Christmas dinner. However, if your child brings a packed lunch to school but they would like a Christmas dinner at a cost of £2.55 you can order one via our School Gateway app. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 there will not be a charge for the dinner due to children in these year groups being eligible for Free School Meals; but you will still need to order a dinner for your child so that we have definitive numbers for our school kitchen. All orders need to be placed by **Monday 11th December** at the latest so that our kitchen have definite numbers. Thank you.



Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to all our children who contributed and wore a Christmas Jumper today ... we have raised £294.60 so far! This fantastic amount will go to CARITAS, the chosen charity of Salford diocese, in particular supporting the homeless and the poor. Many thanks again.



Advent at St Margaret Mary's: Preparing a Way – Prophetic and Intentional

Linked with our school virtues this half-term, of being **Prophetic and Intentional**, we move towards the second Sunday of Advent this weekend. We continue to grow and live out these virtues in our school and daily life, taking our lessons from the gospel and teachings of Christ. During this season of Advent, we encourage our school community to have faith and hope in others and ourselves. Around school, our focus has been that of preparation and waiting in Hope for the Birth of Jesus.



Advent and Charitable Works

Today the children have come to school in their own clothes and a Christmas Jumper to raise money for Caritas and awareness of the plight of the Homeless in society, particularly at this time of year.

The School GIFT and Leadership Team will be making Christmas cards and messages to share with members of our local community and as part of our commitment to acts of kindness, sharing peace, good cheer and blessings at this time of year.



LSC Extra-Curricular Activities

Bookings are now open for next term's LSC extra-curricular activities at St Margaret Mary's RC Primary School.

To book please visit: <https://www.wearelsc.co.uk/book/?venue=380>

We Look forward to seeing you soon!

Team LSC!



Christmas Hamper Raffle

Raffle tickets are still available at £1 per strip for our "Snuggle Up at Christmas" hamper! Tickets will be sold outside the school office to be in with a chance to win!



Annual Christmas Book Quiz

It's that time of year again when we test the knowledge of our children and parents with our "Annual Book Themed Christmas Quiz" Quizzes will be emailed on Monday and entries should be handed in by Thursday 14th December ... there will be a winner chosen from every class!

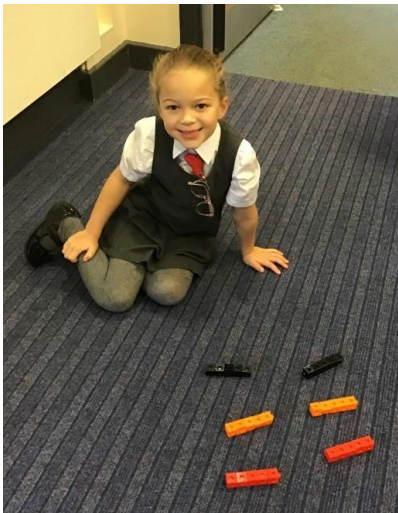


Some of our wonderful work ...

EYFS are having a very exciting and festive day in their Christmas jumpers ...



1/2M have been practising grouping and sharing this week in Maths ...

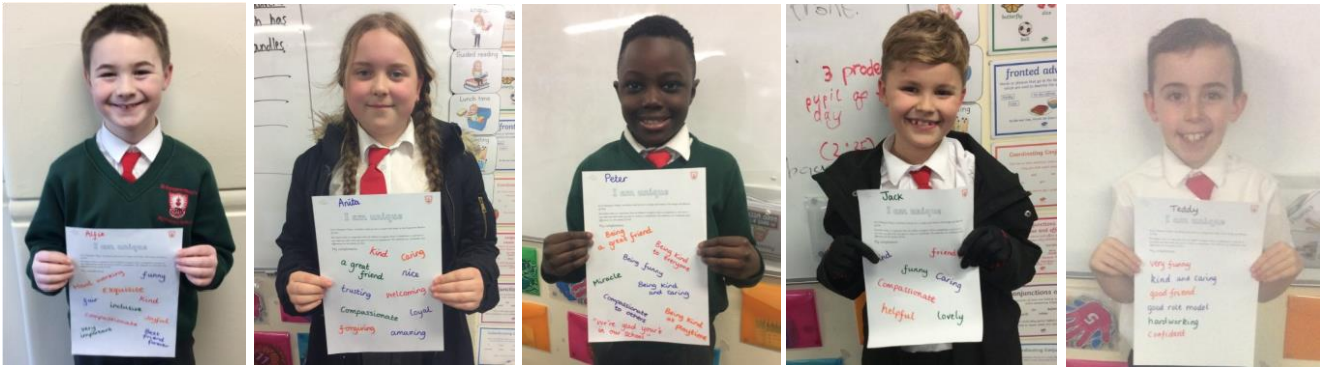


They have also enjoyed performing the Russian Dance from The Nutcracker in Music ...



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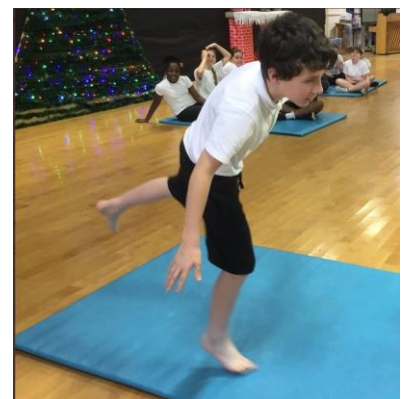
In 4C, we believe each person is unique! Everyday we celebrate our similarities and differences by complimenting one another ...



6G have thoroughly enjoyed dissecting the cautionary tale of 'The Spider and the Fly.'
A warning to the naive not to be manipulated by flattery ...



6W worked their teams to create a gymnastics routine in P.E. by combining their skills together ...



Attendance

5C are this week's "Class Attendance Winners" with an excellent 100% attendance closely followed by 3/4D with 98.8%!

NurW 93.6%	Nur/RecW 97.1%	RecK 95%	1T 94%	1/2M 96.8%	2M 97%
3S 98.6%	3/4D 98.8%	4C 94.5%	5C 100%	5J 95.5%	6G 92.7%
6W 96.4%					

When one class wins the "Class Attendance Winners" twice during a half-term they will receive a special reward.

Who will be next week's "Class Attendance Winners" ... see next week's school newsletter!





STARS OF THE WEEK

Rec: Willow L	Y1/2M: Madison	Y3-4D: James E	Y5J: Kai
Rec: Sebastian E	Y2M: Charlie	Y4C: Caterina	Y6G: Oscar
Y1T: Remai	Y3S: Cora W	Y5C: Israel	Y6W: Georgia



Watch this space for when our next stars will be announced ...



Year 3 Lenny Jay Tamara	Year 4 Temilola	Year 5 Grace J Olly S	Year 6 Jesse
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Important Dates

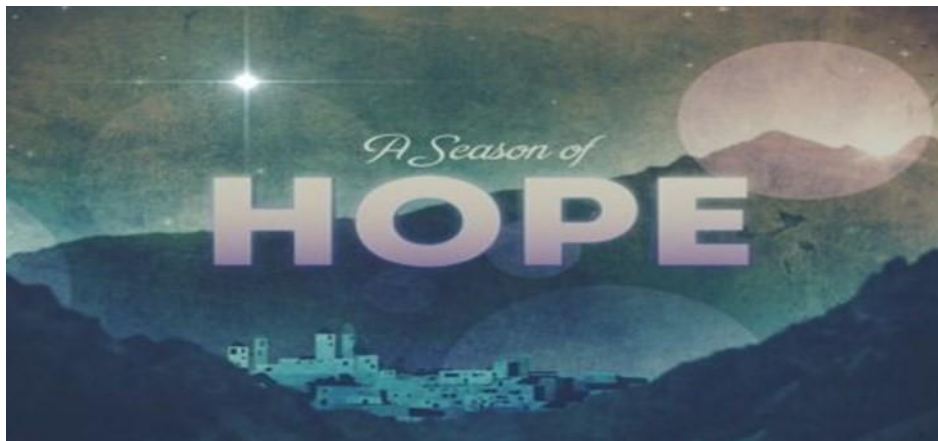


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Saturday 16th December 2023	“Breakfast with Santa” (Organised by the Friends of St Margaret Mary’s 9.00 ~ 10.30 a.m.)
Monday 18th December 2023	KS2 Christmas Carols (10 am & 4:30 pm]
Wednesday 20th December 2023	School closes at 1.00 p.m. for the Christmas holidays
Monday 8th January 2024	School opens after Christmas holidays

Many thanks for your understanding and support, I hope you all have a lovely weekend

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton



**“Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down.”
Pope Francis**