

CARLETON ST HILDA'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Learning Together with God

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ST HILDA'S NEWS

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"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah chapter 9, verse 6





We have been thinking about the experience of the shepherds in the Christmas story and how we can ensure that everyone is included in our school Advent – On Sunday we entered the season of Advent. In our school worship we are using The Church of England's invitation to *Follow the Star*. Worship is based on the song The First Nowell. We invite you and your family to use the ideas on the sheet and *Follow the Star* at home.

Lord God, we give thanks that the angels, the shepherds and the wise men all sang for joy at your coming. Help us to share your love and your joy this Christmas. Amen

The links shown on the home activity sheet are also shown below in case it is difficult to access them directly from the sheet.

Videos shared in worship

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLB8mmac9MNda4AKiXeQUkv6fWrdGwQv8B

Digital Advent Calendar

https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-calling/what-we-believe/advent-and-christmas/advent-calendar

Listen to The First Nowell (PASSWORD: JoinTheSong2023!)

https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-calling/what-we-believe/advent-and-christmas/follow-star-join-song-resources-schools

This Advent, your child will be enjoying the resources called Follow the Star: Join the Song at school and in church. With a focus on the carol *The First Nowell* – but with a different tune – they will be exploring the story of the shepherds, angels, kings and the people. Here are a few ideas here for how you too might 'join the song' at home.



watch the videos here that accompany each week. Listen to your children's thoughts on them.

You may like to pop on the song The First Nowell PASSWORD:

JoinTheSong2023!

while making festive treats in the kitchen! Let your church know which carols you like singing - maybe they can include them in a carol service! Use the CofE

Digital Advent

Calendar

and enjoy
exploring the
downloadable
resources!

Pick a discussion question from the list to ask your family over a hot chocolate. If you were one of the Kings, what gift would you have given to Jesus?

What's the best piece of news you have ever received?

If the Christmas story is true, what difference does it make to you and others?



Why not PRAY this PRAYER that children have been learning in school

Lord God, we give thanks that
the angels, the shepherds and the
wise men all sang for joy at your coming.
Help us to share your love and
your joy this Christmas.

AMEN.

How do you think the shepherds felt when they saw the angels and the star in the east leading them to Jesus?



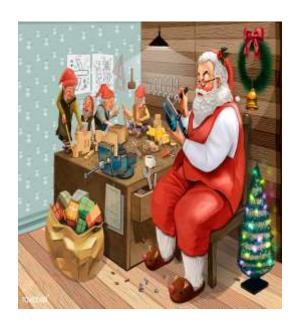
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ST HILDA'S CHRISTMAS POST

St Hilda's Christmas Post will be starting deliveries from Monday 4th December. If your child would like to write a Christmas card for someone in school they can use our Christmas Post Box. On the envelope they need the child's first name and surname and which year group they are in.

Santa's Secret Workshop Open this coming Monday: 11th Dec



All gifts in Santa's workshop are: 50p

Children will be able to purchase up to 2 items on the first day (max £1.00) during break/lunch times where possible.

This will run all week, for as long as we have products available.

SCHOOL DINNERS AND EXTENDED SCHOOL FEES

Please now make payments to cover the rest of this term for BOTH

extended school and school dinners (unless you are paying for school dinners on a weekly basis). Please can we ask that all accounts are cleared by Wednesday 13th December.

Payment can be made at your convenience 24 hours a day via debit card over SCOPAY (including during the school holidays) or with cash or cheque at the school office 8.30 until 4.00pm daily during term time.

OUR LAST OPEN EVENT (for Sept 2024 New Starters)

Due to popular demand we have added an additional date to our open events :

Tuesday 9th January

For booking please contact the school office.

Application can be made online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Closing date: Monday 15th January 2024 (see flyer attached)



Year 1 & 2 children dressed for their Christmas production and Year 6 during their Santa Dash, at Breck Primary School in support of our local food bank.



Stars of the Week

EYFS:

Year 1: All of Reception class

Year 2: All of Year 1

Year 3: Max

Year 4: Ava L

Year 5: Thomas C

Year 6: Archie T



Well Done!

Thank you to Hodgson Science department for delivering two fun experiments! We looked at chromatography and had to solve a crime about who stole the Mona Lisa. It was really fun and we found out that felt-tips are soluble and that black is made up of different blues and yellows too. They will be visiting us again next week.

Year 5













CELEBRATING SUCCESS SWIMMING

Congratulations to our super swimmer Year 4 pupil Daniel, who has won an impressive 8 medals over the last 2 weeks for:

breaststroke, freestyle, and butterfly!

Please find information/flyers attached about various local activities and events attached along with general information which may be of interest.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend Jane Curl Head teacher.

SENCo UPDATE:

We now have a SENCo email address for any documentation or queries to be sent to Miss Thompson. You can email her at:

senco@sthildas-carleton.lancs.sch.uk

She will aim to respond within 48 hours. Please bare in mind that she is also a full time class teacher.

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday 11th Dec
Year 4—Visit from Synagogue

Tuesday 12th Dec
Year 5—Egyptian Day

Wednesday 13th Dec

Christmas lunch - all school dinner pupils and packed lunches who have ordered and paid.

Christmas hat parade (whole school)

2.45pm Year 4—Advent workshop

Thursday 14th Dec

2.00pm Carol Service at St Hilda's Church (KS2—Led by year 6, Year 6
Parents invited)

A separate diary dates list, which

It's Christmas Time!



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming



phone's camera to see the guides on our website



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

It's always best to be prepared

Many parents may be planning to give electronic gadgets to their children this festive period.

Our guide is designed to help parents take a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games.

Scan the QR code to find out more.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Christmas celebrations at St Hilda's



This is to give you an overview of the events and celebrations that will be taking place this half term. All of these dates will also be advertised through the weekly newsletter.

During the month of December the Year 6 children will help to organise the Secret Santa Workshop, where children can bring in 50p to buy a gift for their family or friends.

Tuesday 28th November: School Christmas tree arrives – decorated by the EYFS children

Friday 1st December (morning): Salvation Army Gift Appeal service in school. Children are invited to donate a gift (new or nearly new)

Friday 1st December (afternoon): Panto in school (whole school) followed by drama workshops for Year 5 and Year 6

Sunday 3rd December: Service of Light at St Hilda's Church 3pm. Choir will be performing

Tuesday 5th December: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas performance 2.15pm in school

Wednesday 6th December: Year 6 'Santa Dash' at Breck Primary School (donations for the food bank) organised by Wyre and Fylde Sports Association

Wednesday 6th December: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas performance 6pm in school

Thursday 7th December: National Christmas Jumper day

(donations to Save the Children) all children invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their normal school uniform

Thursday 7th December: Nursery and EYFS Christmas performance 6pm in school

Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Hat Parade – make your creations at home and bring into school to wear on the day

Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Dinner (whole school)

Wednesday 13th December: Year 4 Advent Workshop 2.45pm – parents invited

Thursday 14th December: KS2 carol service at St Hilda's Church 2pm. Year 6 to lead the service

Monday 18th December: EYFS and KS1 party afternoon. Come in your party clothes!

Tuesday 19th December: KS2 party afternoon. Come in your party clothes!

Wednesday 20th December: Christmas themed non-uniform day

Wednesday 20th December: Carols around the tree 9.15am.

Parents and friends are welcome to join us in school

Wednesday 20th December: school finishes at 2pm



School and Academy places September 2024

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

School transport

Need transport to school? Please don't forget to check your eligibility for free transport. Search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk

CLOSING DATE 15 JANUARY 2024

lancashire.gov.uk



St. Martin's & St. Hilda's Church



Stalls. Refreshments. Games. Raffle -- in the Church Hall