Newsletter Friday 25th November 2016

Nurturing creative thinkers



Advent (from the Latin word adventus, meaning "coming")



Dear Parents and Carers

Word of the Week:

Please do try to introduce the following word into conversation to develop the language of our children

Boon – meaning, something to be thankful for.



Parking

It has been confirmed by SLDC that there is a period of free parking at Booths from 8.15 until 9.00 and 3.00 until 3.45. For those able to walk, this should help to relieve the parking challenges on the roads and lanes around school.

Think
Tank

Many of our children take part in 'Think Tank'. The children involved are working together on a very special project. As Christmas is a time for giving, our Think Tank group have been working hard with the help from Rachel Ellis from Kings Food Bank. Think tank are organising and setting up a food bank collection at St Mary's School. We would like you to help us start our collections by bringing any non-perishable food or small toiletries to the Christmas Fair. There will be a collection point in the Reception area. Thank you for your help.

Birthday Party for Jesus, Sunday 11th December KIRKBY LONSDALE METHODIST CHURCH

We invite you as parents, carers and children to a children's 'Birthday Party for Jesus' at Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Church, 10.30am on Sunday 11th of December.

It will include songs, games, crafts - and even a birthday cake! We do hope you will join us, everyone is welcome.

If you want any more information please contact Mrs Maureen Timmis, phone KL 74386.

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Children in Need – thank you for raising £303.52 last week!



The PTA are requesting donations of any unwanted, good quality, second hand books to sell at the Christmas Fair.

Donations can be brought to school and put in the collection box on top of the Lost Property Cupboard. Thank you in advance.



IMPORTANT NOTICE -School Office Closure

Due to unforeseen events, the school office will be closed on Friday the 2nd December. You will still be able to leave messages on the school answer machine and we will of course pick these up during the course of the day. Our staff will also be on the playgrounds at both ends of the day as usual if there is any issues that you need to inform us of on the day!

Please accept our apologies for this inconvenience and please be assured that normal service will be resumed on Monday the 5th December. Thank you for your understanding.



As we mentioned last week, the school Christmas dinner will be held on Tuesday the 13th December and will be the traditional Turkey meal. All children who have booked a main school meal or jacket potato for that day will be given the Christmas dinner. Those that have booked the vegetarian meal will receive the Butternut Squash and Spinach Wellington.

If you wish your child to have the meal please book through the Wisepay system and select the main meal, and of course this must be done before the 1pm deadline on the 9th December. If you have already booked your meal but have since changed your mind, please contact Mrs Lyall in the school office.

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As part of the staff's support for men's health we are supporting Cancer Research UK, and as you've probably seen Mr Jones, Mr Bromley and Mr Hird have, despite much personal discomfort and teasing from other members of staff, managed to grow their moustaches. As we approach the end of the month, and the

prospect of clean shaven gentlemen once again returning to St Mary's, if you would like to to make a donation, please go to our justgiving site.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/St-Marys-CE-Primary (click on the picture)

First Sunday of Advent Prayer

Jesus, you are light even in the darkest places.
Help us to trust in you when we are lost or lonely.
Shine hope into our hearts we pray.
Amen.

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