



Pope Francis
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God chose poverty when He took on our human condition. We too are called to return to what is essential in our lives, to discard all that is superfluous and can become an obstacle on the path to holiness.

#Advent

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope most of you will be able to join us at our Christmas Fayre on Saturday and we hope to see many of you at our Nativity performances and Carol service next week.

I am writing this while the children are getting ready for Christmas dinner and are dressed in their Christmas jumpers and there is a lovely buzz of excitement in the school!

We have almost finished the new nurture room, which will be called the 'Treetops' room. I have added a small photo to give you a glimpse of it.



Warm regards,

Lucille Martin

Our Gospel Values

Creativity
Courage
Forgiveness
Generosity
Humility
Joy
Perseverance
Stewardship

Head teacher

Mrs Lucille Martin

Assistant Head teacher

Mr Ross McGill

SENCO

Mrs Rebecca McGill

Our Classes

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| Rainbows | Miss Aldous |
| | Mrs Iannelli |
| Class 1 | Mrs Thackeray |
| | Mrs Nwafor |
| | Mrs Durston |
| Class 2 | Mrs Veitch |
| | Ms Hughes |
| | Ms Abbott |
| Class 3 | Mr Grimwood |
| | Mrs Harvey |
| Class 4 | Mrs Crowther |
| | Mrs Tella |
| Class 5 | Mrs Jones |
| | Mrs Smith |
| | Mrs Katkuniene |
| Class 6 | Mr McGill |
| | Ms Borley |

This half term we are supporting Ipswich Family Bank with their Christmas Shoe Box Appeal.

Please see the next page of the newsletter for details.



TERM DATES 2023-24

Term ends:

Wednesday 20th December

Inset Day: Wednesday 3rd January

Children return:

Thursday 4th January

Ipswich Family Bank **Christmas Shoe Box Appeal**

We are looking for people to support those less fortunate this Christmas and asking for them to make up shoe boxes which can be distributed to local families who need an extra helping hand this year.

What to do :

Find an old shoe box

Pack it with essentials / exciting things

You can wrap this if you wish

Label with the age and gender of the child

Pass the shoe box on to reception or leave in the foyer

**Please can all boxes be returned by Monday
11th December 2023**

Thank you for helping us support local families



Upcoming Dates for the Autumn term:

Saturday 9th December— School Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 13th December— Nativity performance (2pm)

Thursday 14th December— Nativity performance (2pm)

Friday 15th December— KS2 Carol service (2pm)

Wednesday 20th December— Last day of term

Thank you for your donations.

We raised £131.40 for

Children in Need.



Rainbows – **Anayah**-for learning the song words and Makaton signs so well for our KS1 Nativity. Well done!

Sun class – **Laura** for learning her lines for the Nativity and projecting her voice so everyone could hear her. I was very impressed!

Moon class – **Caden**, for working so hard on his reading comprehension skills. Keep up the good work Caden!

Flora class – **Ryan** for being extremely caring and always helping his peers.

Stars of the Week



Fauna class – **Maisie** for working really hard to remain focused in lessons and to ignore distractions around her. Keep up the good work!

Ocean class – **Nathaniel** for working so hard on our recent fractions work in maths.

Mountain class – **Jace**, for fantastic progress in maths recently and demonstrating real confidence with his fractions.

MR. MCGILL'S WEEKLY UPDATE - ONLINE SAFETY!



Online scams

There is a real concern at the moment in the rise of online scams through social media. As we are aware that a lot of KS2 children access or own social media account, we highly recommend that parents read this article, to keep not only your children, but yourselves safe and aware in the lead up to Christmas.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/online-money-management-guide/social-media-scams-advice-guide-to-support-young-people/>



**Think
before you
park**

Your guide to safer parking outside schools

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS CAN PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

Most accidents involving children outside schools occur when a child has their sight obscured by parked cars.

Parking restrictions and marked areas on the roads are there for a reason – to keep children safe. The safest option when dropping or picking your children up is to park away from the school and take a short walk to the gates.

If you must park near to school and space is limited, please follow the rules:

- **Do NOT park on zig-zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings**
- **Do NOT park on yellow line restrictions**
- **Do NOT park across dropped kerbs or drives**
- **Do NOT park on footpaths**
- **Do NOT stop to drop kids off in the centre of the road**

Failure to follow these rules may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.

Please park safely and be considerate of children and residents by not causing an obstruction

#thinkb4upark



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