



St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents

December 2024

We come to the end of a long and hard term. May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and I know we will achieve even greater things in the New Year. Have a happy and Holy Christmas!

Key Dates- January 2025 - February 2025

Monday 6th January

Tuesday 7th January

Tuesday 14th January

Wednesday 15th January

Tuesday 21st January

Tuesday 28th January

Thursday 30th January

Tuesday 4th February

Monday 10th February

Monday 17th February

INSET DAY - school closed

Children return to school

Fire Safety Talks Year 2 and Year 5

Whole School Mass 10.30 am

Open Evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm - letter to follow

Year 6 Trip to TFL Museum

Year 5 Trip to TFL Museum

Whole School Workshop - Judaism

Year 3 and 4 - Mass 10.30 am

School Journey - Year 6

Half Term

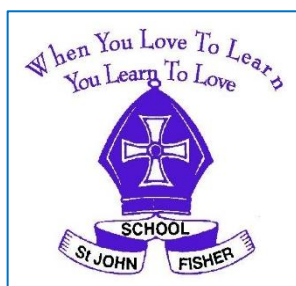
Faith
makes all things possible
Love
makes all things easy
Hope
makes all things work

Find joy
in your
journey

Advent

Advent in school is a period of great excitement and preparation for Christmas. The children have been busy with their Nativity play - Advent Assemblies led by the Faith leaders with growing anticipation of the festivities to come. It is important that we remember the real meaning of Advent with the children. At this time of year we need to remember that Advent comes from the Latin *advenio*, "to come to," and refers to the coming of Christ. I would like to wish all our families a peaceful and joyful Christmas and a happy New Year for 2025 and ask that we keep those who are less fortunate than ourselves in our thoughts and prayers.





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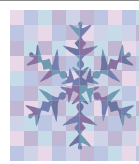
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Adverse Weather Conditions

In the case of adverse weather conditions where the school may be closed please check the school website www.sjf.bexley.sch.uk

If for some reason the school website is unavailable then you can go straight to the Schools Opencheck site <https://opencheck.atomwide.com/Default.aspx>

Parents without internet access can phone 020 8408 7508 and enter the school's DfE number which is 3033505 to get the same information, or as a last resort you can phone the Bexley Contact Centre on 020 8303 7777.



Attendance and Punctuality

class	Attendance	Punctuality NUMBER OF TIMES WON OUT OF 13
Reception	95%	6/13
Year 1	96%	7/13
Year 2	97%	4/13
Year 3	99%	4/13
Year 4	98%	4/13
Year 5	97%	5/13
Year 6	97%	7/13

At St John Fisher School we have very high expectations for attendance and punctuality. From January 2025, the EWO (Education Welfare Officer) will be writing to parents who bring the children to school late or collect their children after school late. There is no excuse for being late you have a 15 minute window in which to drop the children in the morning. The figures above for punctuality are really disappointing! Parents please make sure your child arrives for school on time and is collected on time.



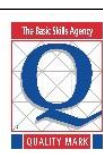
Primary Reception Places - September 2025

01/09/2020 - 31/08/2021

The Bexley online site has now opened - www.bexley.gov.uk/admissions (for Bexley residents) and closes on 13th January 2025.

Please make sure you complete the Supplementary for St John Fisher if you are applying for a space in our 2025 Reception Class.

Please remind friends and neighbours to put this date in their diary.





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Spelling - KINGS and QUEENS

Reception

Alfie and Moray

Year 2

Jeremiah and Martha

Year 4

Islam and Vanessa

Year 1

Joshua and Rhya

Year 3

Darrell and Zuriel

Year 5

Debo and Widad

Year 6

David S and Naomi



Tables KINGS and QUEENS

Reception

Xavier and Jadya

Year 2

Nathan and Averie

Year 4

Islam and Aubrey

Year 1

Obinna and Kaliyah

Year 3

Darrell and Zuriel

Year 5

Emmanuel and Margaret

Year 6

Jamal and Naomi



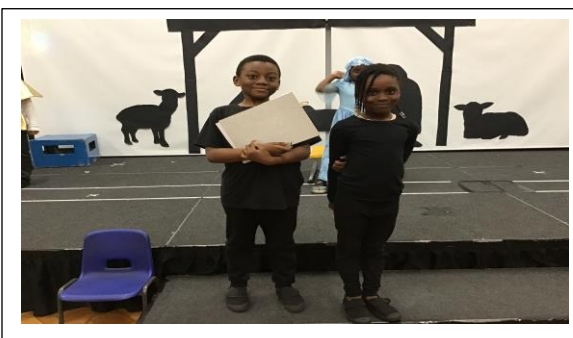


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INFANT NATIVITY WHAT A SHOW! FANTASTIC MAGICAL WONDERFUL



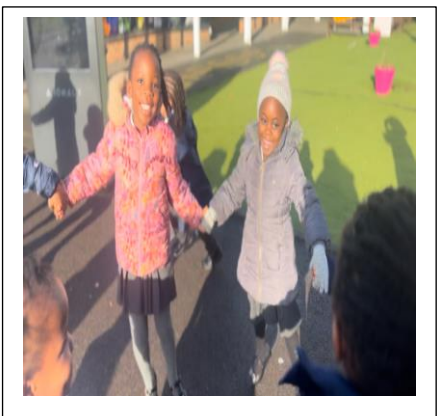
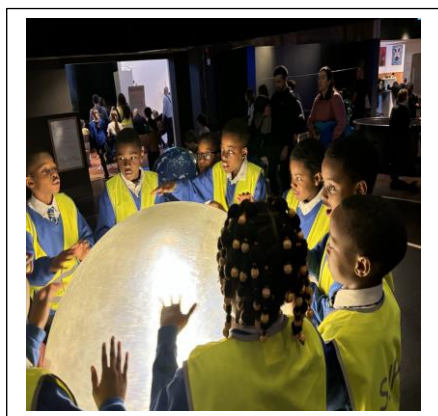


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LEARNING AT SJF



ALL children are expected to be in correct school uniform.

GIRLS

GREY SKIRT
WHITE SHIRT
SCHOOL TIE
SCHOOL SWEATSHIRT
SCHOOL CARDIGAN
WHITE POLO SHIRT
BLACK/GREY/NAVY/WHITE TIGHTS

BOYS

GREY TROUSERS
WHITE SHIRT
SCHOOL TIE
SCHOOL SWEATSHIRT
WHITE POLO SHIRT
PLAIN GREY OR BLACK SOCKS

Please make sure that your child/ren DO NOT have different colour braids or patterns cut into their hair.

Girls - hair same colour as their natural hair and ALL long hair tied back.

Boys - hair ONE length all over.

UNIFORM CHECKS WILL HAPPEN IN JANUARY 2025





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Parking

Thank You to the families who ALWAYS park respectfully to the schools requests and the local community - We kindly request that the parents who find the parking requests a challenge and breach expectations on a regular basis that in the new year they can be more considerate to our neighbours when parking before and after school. Please park in a safe place that does not obstruct cars, the zig zags, garages or other motorists.

CHRISTMAS TREAT



THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER

Children to come to school in a tracksuit
and trainers.



What exciting treat is instore for you?

As we break up for Christmas let us remember the true message of Christmas - the words of Isaiah 9:6 help us remember that Christ was born for us.

'For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: ... and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.' Isaiah 9:6

Please take some time this holiday to be with your family and friends - take time to pray with God and finally take time to reflect upon this last year setting yourself goals for the new year ahead.

Ephesians 4:32 is a wonderful verse to us to share with the children the importance of compassion toward others. We have all had instances over the last year where the truth of Ephesians 4:23 has helped heal and taught our hearts to forgive. This powerful verse can easily be used to show that when we choose to forgive, God's love heals all.

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.' Ephesians 4:23

We wish you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

