

# Newsletter

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Chipping Norton

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## Third Sunday of Advent

- The Advent Wreath has a circle of evergreen leaves representing God's everlasting love.
- It has four candles representing Jesus, the Light of the World, for each Sunday of Advent.
- Three candles are purple, representing our desire for forgiveness.
- One candle is pink, representing God's free gift of forgiveness.
- An additional white candle represents Jesus, the Light of the World, who came to us on Christmas day.

Dear God,

As we light our candles we remember Jesus who brought light into the world.

Thank you for sending Jesus to teach us of your love.

Amen



**WELL DONE!** to the following pupils who received special awards this week:

**Reception Class** – Alicja, Nola, Lola

**Year 1** – Ben, Megan, Roman

**Year 2** – Daniel, Ava M, Tom H

**Year 3** – Alfie L, Kydan, Stan

**Year 4** – Tom P, James, Sam

**Year 5** – Ruby, Matthew, Zoe

**Year 6** – Charlie, Thomas, Benji

## Message from the Headteacher

*We have had a marvellous week at Holy Trinity. On Monday, all the children gathered in the hall to watch the Reception class children perform their dress rehearsal of 'Mary's Knitting'.*

*On Tuesday, the Reception children performed The Nativity to their parents and family (not a dry eye in sight). I would just like to say a huge thank you, to both the children and the staff for all their hard work.*

*Father Tony kindly came into school today to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) with the children, in preparation for Christmas.*

*We had our Christmas dinner today and the children enjoyed a delicious home cooked meal wearing their Christmas hats and jumpers and of course pulling crackers. The children were joined by our priest, Father Tony. I would like to thank Mel and Anita for all their hard work in the kitchen for serving what was the highest number of Christmas meals in Holy Trinity's history.*

*This is a very challenging but rewarding time for our school choir, who continue to go from strength to strength. They are renowned for their contribution to a variety of events. Today they visited Cornish House Care Home and next week they will be singing at the Co-op on Thursday at 9.45am, you are all welcome to join them. Just a reminder, they will be on Radio Oxford on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7.45 and 8.45 am. Please tune in to hear them.*

*Next week continues to be busy with the Key Stage 1 Nativity (two performances) and the Key Stage 2 Carol Service (two performances). We will be holding our end of term Mass on Friday at 9.10am, which will be led by Year 6. Please check 'Dates for your Diary' and the website for timings. Can I just remind you that school finishes next Friday at 12.30pm, school dinner will be served from 11.30am and there will be no H T Active.*

*Many thanks, and I look forward to seeing you next week.*

## After School Clubs

There will be no after school clubs for the rest of this term with the exception of the choir, which will finish at 3.45pm. This does not include Holy Trinity Active.

Please note that all children, including those who usually attend Holy Trinity Active, will need to be picked up at 12.30pm on the last day of term, the 16<sup>th</sup> December. There will be no Holy Trinity Active on this day.



Thank you for your generous donations at the Nativity Performances.

To date, we have raised an amazing £157 to send to our chosen charities and extra equipment for Reception class and KS1.

We will also be collecting at the KS2 Carol Service.

Thank you in anticipation for your generosity. We will inform you of how much we raised in total in next week's Newsletter.

## Dates for your Diary for next week....

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** KS1 Nativity at 1.30 & 6.30pm

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** KS2 Carol Service at 1.30 & 6.30pm

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** Choir singing at the Co-op at 9.45am  
Reception Class and KS1 Christmas Party

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** End of Term Mass in church at 9.10am

**FINISH SCHOOL AT 12.30PM, LUNCHES AT 11.30AM**



Christmas Mugs and Coasters have arrived and are available for you to collect from the School Library, as they are fragile.

We have been informed that the Christmas cards will be delivered no later than Tuesday next week, but hopefully they will be delivered before this date. As soon as they arrive we will get them out to you.

## Calling all parents...



Could you make a difference to young families?

Many parents need help, friendship, advice or support during those early years when children are young. Your experience as a parent can help other parents. Do you have 2-3 hours to spare each week? Could you befriend a local family?

Home-Start Banbury & Chipping Norton will be running our next Volunteer Preparation Course starting in January 2017

**Interested? Then come and join us!!!**

Contact Jane, Diane, Karen or Angela to find out more

Tel 01295 266358

Or email: [info@home-startbanbury.org.uk](mailto:info@home-startbanbury.org.uk)

*Applicants will be subject to a DBS check*

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**CHRISTMAS AT HOLY TRINITY**

## DVD ORDER

If you would still like to place an order for the Nativity DVD, please can you return your form, with payment to the school office by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.  
Thank you.

## Year 3 Dance Workshop

Year 3 had a great afternoon with the Sports' Leaders from Chipping Norton Academy on Wednesday. This year the topic was Disney films, with our children especially enjoying acting out scenes from the Lion King.

## PAYMENTS

Thank you to all the parents who have made their outstanding payments. We would be grateful for all other payments to be made by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December.  
Thank you.