



# Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School

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## FRIDAY LETTER

1<sup>st</sup> December 2017



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas Fair and Reverse Advent

Thank you for your generosity this week both in your donations to the Christmas Fair and for the Reverse Advent we are holding at school. We have had an excellent response to the Reverse Advent so far and the two boxes are already overflowing. The children are also very much enjoying bringing in the donations and seeing them pile up. We are collecting any food stuff that have a long shelf life – tinned foods, cereals, pasta, tea, coffee, biscuits, microwaveable puddings, baby food, etc. (We cannot accept any chilled or fresh items).

Advent Travelling Cribs.



From next week we will be sending out our Advent Cribs for the children to set out at home for the night. There will be a short prayer booklet to follow as a family. In order to reach as many families as we can in the time, only one member of the family will bring a crib home. All we ask is for you to enjoy the crib and bring it back into school the following day

for the next family to use.

Mrs Usher's Famous Christmas Stall

Gifts from 99p to £4.00 are on sale at the end of the school day. Lots on offer and all proceeds go to the School Fund.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December is Panto day.

KS1 (Reception, Y1 and 2) will need a packed lunch unless you have already ordered one from the school. Their show is in the morning and so will they will be back in time for normal end of day pick-up at 3.15pm.

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5&6) will eat at school as normal as their show is in the afternoon. Our scheduled return is around 5.30pm at school. We will use "text2parents" to let you know if there is any change on the day. There are a few families who have not contributed to this trip yet. Please do so before Thursday.

On-line Safety.

On the reverse of this letter is an information sheet Mrs Thorne-Marsh has collated about keeping your child safe online. If you have any worries or you need to know more about how to keep your child safe online please get in touch with school. We do have links on our website too.

SEN co-ordinator (SENCO)

Mrs Bethell is now appointed as the school's SENCO. She is an experienced SEN teacher and will be in touch with parents/carers whose child is on the SEN register.

There is a Victorian Christmas Fair in Old Glossop by the Old Cross on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1.30-5.30pm.

Our PFA Christmas Fair is next Friday from 3.15pm. Please support our big fundraiser. The PFA have already donated £1000 towards new laptops in school for next term. The money they raise always benefits our children.

Enjoy the weekend as Advent begins,

Mr S D Groarke  
Headteacher

★ Crowned as our Star Pupils this week ★	
Reception	★ Niamh
Year 1	★ Toby
Year 2	★ Ruth
Year 3	★ Scarlett D
Year 4	★ Chelsea
Year 5	★ Phoebe
Year 6	★ Hannah
Head teacher's Award	★ Jack C

*Awarded for putting others first.*

Christmas Shows  
Tickets on Sale on  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

**Birthdays**  
**Carter Y 6**  
**Spencer Y 6**  
**Dylan 11**  
**Freya M 9**



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## **Autumn Term Diary**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

***Aladdin Panto trip KS1 and 2***

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

***Toddler Group Party***

***Christmas Concert KS1. 1.45pm and 6.30pm***

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

***Christmas Concert KS2 6.30pm***

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

***Christmas Concert KS2 1.45pm***

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

***Non- uniform Day St Lazarus' House (red)***

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

***School Dinner – Party time!***

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

***Christmas Parties***

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

***Christmas Dinner***

***Carols in the School Hall 2.30pm***

***End of Term –school closes***

**2018**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018**

***INSET day***

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

***School opens for the new term.***

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