



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

ADVENT



Advent starts this weekend. Fr. Michael came to school today to bless the class advent wreaths that have been made by the pupils.

Advent comes from the Latin word 'adventus', meaning 'the coming'. The first candle,

which is purple, symbolises hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. At this time of year, the church gathers to celebrate light coming into the world. Christ came to give hope that life could be different, He came to give us life in abundance, freedom from the chains of the law, freedom from slavery to fear and control. He came to bring light into the darkness. The Lord of light and the bringer of hope. Advent wreaths are circular, representing God's infinite love, and are usually made of evergreen leaves, which "represent the hope of eternal life brought by Jesus Christ." The hope of Christ is through His gift of everlasting life, and in the life, we see Him bringing in the every day. Remembering the truth of the nativity and listening to God's Word in our world, can help bring hope to a hopeless world. Let us be filled with hope, as we start this holy season, of Advent. A prayer that Catholics say in this season of Advent is the

Act of Contrition: Oh my God, because you are so very good, I am sorry that I have sinned against you; and with the help of Your grace I will not sin again. Amen.

Blessed Christopher Wharton Feast Day



To celebrate the Blessed Christopher Wharton Feast Day each child/staff member received a bun as a treat for their break time. Thank you, Emma, in the kitchen, for making these for us.

There were some wonderful pieces of transient art completed as part of the feast day.



Last Monday afternoon Win, Emilia, Klaudia, Patryk, Dominik, Nina, Eleanor and Femisola, Miss Parker and Mrs Teal represented St. William's Catholic Primary School at the Blessed Christopher Wharton Feast Day Mass, at St. Walburga's Church with Bishop Marcus. The children were excellent ambassadors of our school family and it was a truly wonderful occasion, well done!



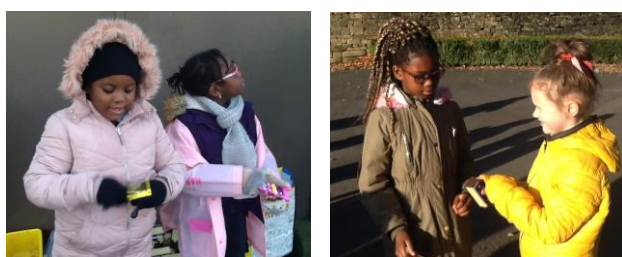
Peace Museum



Thank you to Shannen from the Peace Museum, who came to deliver the 'Poppies for Remembrance' session with Lime and Holly classes. The children had a fantastic time and completed high quality work.

Oak & Beech Class visit to Lady Hill Park

As part of the curriculum for English, both Oak and Beech classes visited Lady Hill Park on Thursday.



Advent Fundraising for Martin House Children's Hospice (dates to be confirmed nearer the time)

There will be 2 festive hampers donated by Staff for our fundraising. Raffle tickets £1 a strip and will be on sale from 6 December and raffle drawn on 17 December (when we finish). Good Luck!

Ash Class

Decorating biscuits to sell

Oak Class

Guess how many sweets are in the jar?

Beech Class

Guess the name of Santa's elf - soft toy elf to win!

Lime Class

How many sweets are in the jar?
Find the hidden treasure.

Holly Class

Monday, 6th December - the children will bake **brownies** to sell Tuesday, 7th.

Tuesday, 7th December - the children will **bake rock cakes**, to sell Wednesday, 8th December

Wednesday, 8th December - the children will **bake fairy cakes**, to sell Thursday, 9th December

Thursday, 9th December - the children will **bake muffins**, to sell Friday, 10th December.

BRING A BAUBLE FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Wednesday 1 December 2021



Donate

or

Take Home

(To take home please make sure your name and class is added to the bauble)



Bradford City Football Club have match day tickets at an exclusive price of £2.50 per ticket for the following matches

Bradford City vs Colchester United Wednesday 8 December 7.45pm kick off &

Bradford City vs Sutton United Saturday 11 December 3.00pm kick off.

If you would like to attend, please see Mrs Gadd at the school office before Monday 29 November and confirm how many tickets are required along with your full payment in cash. Thank you.

Poppy Appeal



Thank you everyone for your kind donations, the school raised £64.46 for this charity.



Free Online Safety Guide

What parents and carers need to know about cryptocurrency

Cryptocurrency's availability – and influence – has grown exponentially since Bitcoin debuted in 2009. Little over a decade later, there are more than 5,000 different types of cryptocurrency on the market. Some, of course, are more successful than others – but the concept has now established a sufficiently robust beachhead to thrive in the coming years.

This means, naturally, that cryptocurrency will be embedded even more deeply in our culture by the time today's schoolchildren are grown. It's incumbent on the trusted adults of today, then, to begin equipping young people for this new method of carrying out transactions online. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide brings parents and carers the essentials on cryptocurrency.

Read on to access your free guide and catch up on the latest online safety news ...



Help keep your child/children safe online and use the platform National Online Safety platform for parents. Remember, we all have to support our children so they are safe online!

Open Days' for New Reception Pupils September 2022

St William's Catholic Primary School

Is your child starting school in September 2022?

Ofsted Graded GOOD 2019

Ofsted: "Children in early years get off to a flying start!"

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2021 11-12PM

WEDNESDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2021 10-11AM

Young Street, Bradford, BD8 9RG

01274 545743

COME AND HAVE A LOOK AROUND OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL AND SEE FOR YOURSELF!

I am very happy, I recommend this school to everyone I see!

We have lots of fun!

We hope you will be able to join us. Please contact the office on 01274 545743 for more information

PIC-COLLAGE

If your child is turning 4 years old before September 2022. Please come to our open day on Saturday 11th December at 11-12pm or Wednesday 15th December at 10-11am to have a look around Ash class and see

some of the wonderful things the children learn at St William's. Please share this with family and friends!

Weather

Please send your child/children prepared for our ever-changing weather conditions. Children must have a coat every day and suitable outdoor shoes. It is the time for a hat, gloves and a scarf!

Warning: No Holidays in Term Time

Please book holidays for when school is closed. We do not authorise any holidays in term time **and fines will be issued for taking your child/children out of school during term time.**

Attendance and Punctuality is a HUGE part of Keeping Children Safe

Staff in school have a **legal duty of care** for all pupils in school and **it is the law that children attend school every day.** Parents/carers must contact school on the 1st day of their child's absence by either telephoning 01274 545743 or by text message on 07624806369. We expect pupils **to arrive on time, ready for learning.** Punctuality is an essential life skill needed for the world of work. **Please understand that there is a child-care fee of £1, per child, for every 5 minutes pupils are collected late at the end of the school day. Thank you for your support to be on time.**

Attendance & Punctuality

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!

This week's Trophy Winners!

| Class | % | Number of Lates per class | Time lost through lateness | Number of pupils on time |
|-------|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ash | 82.1% | 1 | 37m | 27 |
| Oak | 83.8% | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| Beech | 96.0% | 3 | 53m | 25 |
| Lime | 94.4% | 1 | 5m | 24 |
| Holly | 98.7% | 0 | 0 | 31 |

91.0% Overall school attendance

93.3% Overall school attendance to date

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners:

Prince, Amaan, Ramina, Anna, Vinny, Kayla, Hashim, Zdenko, Samica and Nikoletta.

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Harper, Abubakar, Rumaisah, Darina, Megan, Suzanna, Brendon, Ruby, Samica and Dominik

Virtue Certificates this week:

Kacper – Faith, Dennis – Love, Jozsef – Love, Ayra – Love, Filip - Simplicity

Golden Table Monday:

Prince, Vivienne, Ranaya, Ruby, Filip

'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Pola, Victoria, Isla-Grace, Abyan, Jakub, Mia, Julie, Hashim, Samica, Leodette.

Dates for your diary:

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| 28/11 | Advent Begins |
| 30/11 | Class Mass in the school chapel 10am Holly Class |
| 01/12 | Bring a Bauble for the Christmas tree |
| 01/12 | Lime Class - Art Morning with Mr Bullock |
| 02/12 | Oak/Beech Class – Creative learning lesson at Lady Hill Park |
| 07/12 | Lime Class - Homework Project due in |
| 07/12 | Class Mass in the school chapel 10am Lime Class |
| 10/12 | Holly Class – Homework Project due in |
| 11/12 | Reception 2022 Open Day 11.00 – 12.00 pm |
| 13/12 | Oak Class Homework Project due in |

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| 14/12 | Ash/Oak Christmas Nativity 1.45 pm |
| 14/12 | Class Mass in the school chapel 10am Beech Class |
| 15/12 | Beech Lime and Holly readings/Carols 1.45 pm |
| 15/12 | Reception 2022 Open Day 10.00 – 11.00 am |
| W/C 13/12 | Nativities – details to follow Festive Fun Week |
| 15/12 | Beech Class - Homework Project due in |
| 16/12 | Christmas School Dinner (£1.90) |
| 16/12 | Christmas Jumper Day 50p Per Child or £1 per family – for Martin House Children's Hospice |
| 17/12 | School Closes for Christmas and re-opens Tuesday 4 January 2022 |

After School Clubs

Monday

Music Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Oak Class

Arts & Craft Club 3.15pm – 4.15pm Pine Class

Tuesday

Minecraft Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Lime Class

Movie Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Ash Class

Thursday

Team Games 3.15pm – 4.15pm Outside/Hall

Homework Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in Lime Class

Friday

Choir Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in the Hall



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear

Zoe

happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

Covid-19 Risk Assessment

Please look on the school website for the current risk assessment.

Have a lovely weekend and see you all Monday 29 November, at 8.45am



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Use [class dojo](#) to send home learning work back to your child's class teacher to be checked.

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