

## Forthcoming Events

2017

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January:

- INSET Day (school closed to the children)

### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January:

- School re-opens for the children (start of the Spring Term)

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# Newsletter

21<sup>st</sup> December, 2016

## 'BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SERVE'

Dear Parent/Carer,

The festive season in school has been enriched by our Christmas Plays. Reception's performances of 'It's a Baby' were brilliant, as was Y1's performance of 'Gnome Alone'. We saw our children at their very best. Well done to the staff and thanks to all the audiences who gave the children so much encouragement.

Congratulations to our Christmas 'Spirit of Ursuline' nominations: Erin Myers; Thomas Roberts; Phoebe Anne Ryan; Noah McIntyre; Daksh Sharma; Dylan Langton; Sasha Sewill; Tahlia Brennan-Stewart; Katie Walmsley; Caitlin O'Brien; Ava Dowd; Emily Garcia; Isobelle Gorst; and Roisin Murtagh.

The children are nominated for outstanding progress in their Religious Education lessons and for putting all they learn into practice. Their names, along with the names of all nominees, go forward for the final award, which is presented on the last day of the school year.

Congratulations to Charlotte Burke for winning the 100% attendance prize draw. Charlotte was one of 91 children with 100% attendance this term. She takes home an Amazon voucher to the value of £100.

The choir continued their tour of local nursing homes last week. They sang at Arrowsmith and St Jude's, once again bringing festive cheer to the residents. They then gave a magnificent performance at 'Carols around the Tree' after school on Thursday, once again to a packed hall. Well done to the children and staff, so ably led by Mr Dolan.

We were very happy to present a gift to Mr Joe Wright at the end of 'Carols around the Tree'. Joe's firm carry out our grounds maintenance and do a fantastic job. He has provided us with our Christmas Tree for 40 years! He has now retired, but we look forward to seeing him again next year for our 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Carols around the Tree'.

We have been out and about lately. Y6 visited Quarry Bank Mill and Y2 went to St Helens 'World of Glass'. All pupils were outstanding ambassadors for Ursuline. Thanks to the staff and team of helpers for looking after them so well.

The whole school went to the Plaza Cinema to watch 'Moana' on Thursday. Reception and Y1 travelled by train, the rest of the school on foot. It was a joy from start to finish and the children made a great impression on the public with their excellent behaviour and lovely manners. Thanks to the PTFA for funding the whole thing.

Christmas Jumpers Day on Friday was a great success. When we combined your voluntary contributions with the 'Santa Dash' sponsor money raised by Mr Jim Bond, one of our cleaning staff, it totalled £460 – a great effort! This will go to the orphanage in Uganda we have been supporting for a number of years through the work of Eleanor McGill, a former pupil.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas Parties yesterday. Once again thanks to the PTFA for their support. I don't know what we would do without them!

Thanks to Mrs Jane Burton who has raised £194 for the school through her Keep Fit classes.

Thanks for the donations to South Sefton Foodbank, who are providing special Christmas packs for local families (contents include chocolates, biscuits, Christmas Crackers, toiletries and sanitary products).

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Bronze & Silver Awards

Class of the Week

Writers', Linguists', Artists', Geographers', Designers', Scientists' and Historians' Awards

Improved Presentation Award;

Bucket Fillers of the Week Award.

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Thank you, as ever, for your continued support. On behalf of the staff may I wish you and your families a very happy Christmas.



**Mark McQueen**  
**Head Teacher**