

## Forthcoming Events



**Ursuline**  
Catholic Primary School

# Newsletter

Monday 4th December 2017

## 'BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SERVE'

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December

- Bikeability Y5

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

- RE INSPECTION
- Bikeability Y5

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

- RR Nativity Performance  
2:00pm

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

- Breakfast with Santa
- RU Nativity Performance  
2:00pm

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

- Breakfast with Santa
- Choir Performance

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

- Year 1 Production  
2:00pm

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

- Break up 2:00pm

Dear Parent/Carer

On Friday, Year 4 presented an Advent Service which gave us a chance to listen, reflect and think about the true meaning of Christmas. The singing was beautiful, the readings were clear and loud and all children showed reverence in starting us all off in this special season. No-one could help but be moved. Thank-you to all of the children and staff involved.

Our Christmas Market was a great success on Friday. Our PTFA and supporters worked very hard.

Year 5 have made a good start to Bikeability. They are continuing this week.

Lockdown Practice went very well. The children were so sensible and followed the drill extremely well. Karen from Compliance said that Ursuline has been the best she has overseen so far.

Our work in the local community continues to develop. We are now visiting two local homes for the elderly (St Judes and Warren Park). They are using their Golden Time to serve in the community. 50% of our children have returned their permission slips. All those involved are having a wonderful time. We are extending our visits to include other homes in the coming months.

We are learning about Dementia over the next few weeks and we intend to become a Dementia-Friendly School. One of our staff has been trained as a Dementia champion. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> we are having an "Elf" day to raise awareness about dementia. Details will follow in a separate letter. The Archdiocese has advertised a Dementia-Friendly Carol Service at the Cathedral on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like more information please contact school. There will be posters advertising this around the school.

We are looking forward to welcoming Fr. Dave Melly, Meg Buckley and Dave Williams to our school on Tuesday for our RE inspection. We are very proud of the hard work we all do and our Ursuline family. Thank-you for all the questionnaires you completed prior to the inspection.

I am writing to remind all parents and carers to park their cars safely and NOT to park in the carparks belonging to the flats in

our vicinity or across driveways. It is important for us to respect and look after our neighbours.

Dear Children,

All the girls played really well in the Girls Football Tournament this week. They set an example for great team sportsmanship. Years 2 and 3 came second and Jess Riley deserves a special mention for scoring more than 20 goals ! Great work, girls.

I have been thrilled at the response from you, boy and girls, regarding our links with the local homes for the elderly. I`ve said above that I`ve received 50% of slips sent out (to KS2only). If there are 240 children in KS2 how many slips have I got? Write the answer on a piece of paper with your name on and give it to your teacher.

Year 6 went to see a production of Return to the Forbidden Planet at Merchant Taylor`s last week. Thank-you for being great ambassadors for Ursuline.

#### **REMINDERS**

- Please do not bring dogs onto the playground at any time. We thank you for your co-operation in this matter.
- Thank-you for keeping the youngsters off the playground equipment at the end of the day. It really can be tricky to stay safe, as the children are coming out of school, if other children are in that area.
- Parents and carers have no entitlement to take holidays during term time. I can only approve these in exceptional circumstances. **Applications should include a written description of the circumstances.** Being taken out of school at any time is an obstacle to children making progress and should be avoided.
- Please do not park on or stop at the yellow zig-zags during the times stated on the road side sign. It is both dangerous and irresponsible.
- Remember to use the voluntary one way system in the mornings and at the end of the day.
- You can follow us on Twitter @ursulineprimary

Our new App is available from the bottom of our Home Page ([www.ursulineprimary.co.uk](http://www.ursulineprimary.co.uk)). Follow the links to your own App store.

Thank you, as ever, for your continued support.

**Chris Chai**  
**Acting Head Teacher**