

Term 2, Week 7

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

# St. Peter's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



## The Class 4 Takeover!

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### Introduction

*On Friday 16<sup>th</sup>, we will go off on our Christmas holidays; it will be the end of the autumn term. Key Stage 1 (KS1) and 2 (KS2) have been working very hard on Christmas plays and concerts about the nativity so we hope you have enjoyed our performances. The Christmas Fare: it was amazing - if you did not manage to make it there, you were missed: we wished you could have joined us. With Christmas coming soon, we hope the future for all of the pupils is bright and sparkling in Jesus' love. Happy holidays from St. Peter's school.*

### Christmas Fayre and Shows

Last Friday was the Christmas Fayre: we interviewed some teachers to find out what their views were of this enjoyable event. Firstly, we interviewed Mr Rooney: "The fayre was fantastic as it had a real community buzz about it. It was very special, just like a family coming together." His store raised a healthy amount of money contributing to our colossal amount raised – over £1200! Charlotte Elmore and Aine Flynn-Snelson said that they really enjoyed the Christmas decoration all over the school, especially the giant snow globe. They also enjoyed the abundance of delicious food featuring cakes, pizza, chocolate and various drinks. Many games also featured at the fayre, included Whiskey Roll, tombolas and a raffle. Thank you to everyone who help make our school family's fayre such a success.

Over the last two weeks, many of you readers had the pleasure of viewing some spectacular Christmas performances by KS1 and KS2. Three teachers were asked about their thoughts. "In the KS2 play, I think the performance of 'Joy to the World' will brings tears to the audience," commented Mrs Traynor. "However, my favourite song is 'Love Shone Down' – it is stunning. In KS1, I think the angel dance is great, and so it 'Following a Great Big Star'." Mr Rooney revealed that his second favourite part of KS2's show has been the rapid improvement due to everyone's hard work and dedication. His Number 1 answer was the 'reasonable length' (how rude! :o) ). In KS1, Mr Rooney said, with Herod shining out, you could definitely see the children were enjoying themselves. He would also like to save a special mention for the fantastic Mrs Dillon, as she worked super-hard on the spectacular back-drop to the KS1 show! Mrs Frost used many words when discussing her play: SHOCKED, CO-OPERATIVE as well as FESTIVE. Furthermore, her favoured song was Silent Night.

Many thanks to all the children and adults who helped make our Christmas performances so special for us and, hopefully, our audiences too.

## Miss Cowen

Goodbye Miss Cowen! If you didn't know, Miss Cowen is training to be a teacher; she has been working in Class 4 and everyone she has taught thinks that she is amazing! We interviewed her and she said that she enjoys working in this school and will truly miss St. Peter's. "Everyone is polite and friendly, this school, is like a little community, everyone helps each other," said Miss Cowen. She told us that she will miss Class 4, especially and that she will miss Mr Rooney and all the other children. During her time here, she has learnt about the great character and enthusiasm of our school. We will truly miss her, and we hope she will miss us too. As well as this, we thank her for being an inspiration and a fun teacher. Thank you!

## Miss Powrie

We were very lucky to have Miss Powrie with us but unfortunately, Friday will be her last day. We interviewed Miss Powrie, she said that she has loved every second of her St. Peter's school life and she hopes she will have a positive future as a teacher. She said she enjoyed the Scottish Day, art, crafts and nativity. We interviewed some children from Class 2 about the lovely Miss Powrie. They said lovely things: that she is lovely, kind and generous. Also, they quoted that she did a spectacular job when Mrs Frost was not in class. So we say a huge goodbye to Miss Powrie; St. Peter's will never forget you!

## Best Bits

We have spoken to our peers in order to find out what they have most enjoyed this term!

**Class 1:** Ase thought that simply playing with her friends was the best bit. Joseph Wilding said, "Having Cara as a teaching assistant is a great help." Meanwhile, Boldizar thought that learning had a great effect on his year so far. Whilst Izzy said the following to us: "Having Mrs Hancock is a joy!" Class 1 have clearly had a great first term!

**Class 2:** Noah Barker said " I loved it when we went to Warwick castle, climbing the tall towers and the maze. It's history is so cool!" Ethan said "I think baking pancakes was cool... because we got to eat them!"

**Class 3:** We interviewed a child about the autumn term from Class 3 – he said that he had loved class three's topic and that the final week before Christmas was the best week of them all. He said that he loved the Christmas Fayre, Christmas parties and the pantomime.

**CLASS 4:** Wow have they been busy! On their topic SPACE, their incredibly dedicated teacher Mr. Rooney made a giant rocket! Then they learnt about the Maya, and with the help of Miss. Cowan, they did a lesson on adaption which Jack really enjoyed! And for those who have children in KS2- their Christmas performance was out of this world!

## Diary Dates

03/01/17 – Back to school

*Have a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a lovely break with your family and friends. Thank you for your support, warmth and kindnesses this year; we're a strong family who have achieved so much together! See you in 2017! Love from Miss McNamara*

## Final Words for Christmas

*Christmas is around the corner and everyone is excited! But lots of people don't understand the true meaning of this time of year. IT is not about the presents, or the food, or the season's holiday – no, it is about the love that we have for one another. Christmas is when Christ is born. And, as a Catholic school, we celebrate this festive occasion in all we do and remember the journey that Mary and Joseph endured so that God's son could come into the world.*

*So when you wake up and rush downstairs on Christmas morning, remember that the gift of love is the best gift you can ever give...or receive.*