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Newsletter 10-12-21

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 3rd December are as follows:

Year R 88.6%	Year 1 95.6%	Year 2 90%	Year 3 96.4%
Year 4 88.2%	Year 5 85%	Year 6 100%	92.4%

Well done to Year 6 for 100% attendance

Whole school attendance this academic year: 95.2%

Prayer from the Chaplains

Lord Jesus

Please help us to find time

For others this Christmas

Help us to show kindness in

What we say and do

As we get ready for your birthday

Amen

By Zuzia, Lilly and Elsa (School Chaplains)

When Mary meets Gabriel - Class 2 interpretations





TEN TEN December Newsletter

Advent is a time of preparation. No doubt for parents it is a time of gift giving and holiday feasting with family. But children have been learning in school that Advent is really a time of preparing for two things: to welcome Jesus at Christmas, and to be ready for His return.

Below is a link to the themes that we have been learning about in school which you may want to share with your children.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/>

PARTY DAY

Next Wednesday we will be having a party day with Christmas dinner. Many thanks to the Friends for paying for dinner for everyone that wants it. The children can come dressed in party clothes for the day.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We will celebrate this on the last day of term. The children can come dressed up in either a Christmas jumper or something festive. The children can donate a £1 which will go to Dartmouth Community Chest.

NATIVITY

We are hoping to have our Christmas Nativity next week. We will put some footage on the website by the end of the week for parents and families to view.

STAFF

We welcome Ali Dixon who will be joining our Class 3 staff team in January.

APPEAL FROM BEACON HOUSE

Thank you for all your help and support over the last couple of years. The school have kindly said we can do 'give a gift' again this year. For those of you that are new to the school we kindly ask for gifts for our residents for Christmas. If you are able to give a gift this year then please can you kindly take your gift/gifts into the school reception where you will see our BEACON HOUSE Christmas box. This is more important than ever and we really need your help. Unfortunately some of our residents won't get anything this year apart from what the staff buy for them. With COVID 19 still ruling care homes, not all our residents will have their loved ones visit them over Christmas. We understand these are hard times for everyone, but if you are able to help by donating a gift then we will be forever grateful, All donated gifts must be sealed and unwrapped,

Thank you for all your support from the Beacon team 🎄👶🎄👶🎄👶

CLUBS

School Clubs will finish this week and recommence on Monday 10th January. Saints Southwest Club will continue until Friday 17th December and will restart on Wednesday 5th January. Places are limited and will be given on a first come basis. There is a charge for the Saints Southwest Club and you will have to sign up with them online.

Wednesday - Years Reception, 1, 2 and 3 - <https://saints-southwest.class4kids.co.uk/info/904>

Friday - Years 4, 5 and 6 - <https://saints-southwest.class4kids.co.uk/info/915>

Thursday	Lego Club - Foundation, Year 1, Year 2 3.15 - 4pm Miss Sarah Knight Spaces available
Monday	Homework Club - Class 3 3.15 - 4pm Mrs Alison Dixon Spaces available
Monday	Activity Club 3.15 - 4pm Mrs Cusack
Friday	Board Game Club - Class 2 and 3 3.15 - 4pm Miss Corey Naidoo Spaces available

Sarah Knight has started running an active club every lunch time. The children have really enjoyed playing with the new play equipment that the school has purchased. Saints South west also run a sports Club on a Wednesday and Friday lunchtime for Class 3.



GUITAR LESSONS

Guitar lessons have started with Joe Dostal. If you would like your child to learn to play the guitar then please email Joe directly on Joe@JoeDostalMusic.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 15th Dec

Fri 17th Dec

Mon 3rd Jan 2022

Tues 4th January

Mon 21st to 25th Feb

Mon 28th Feb

Fri 8th April

Christmas Dinner and Party Day

End of term and Christmas/party jumper

Bank Holiday

Back to School

Half term

Non-pupil day

Last day of Spring Term