

I AM A DISCIPLE FOR YOU JESUS

Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and children,

A warm welcome back to our Spring term. I hope you enjoyed the festive season and our thanks for all of the lovely cards, gifts and kind wishes that we received. I hope that 2019 is a happy, healthy and peaceful one for you and your families.

It was straight back to work on Monday as we joined our colleagues from Archbishop Ilsley for Mass before embarking on a busy and purposeful teacher-training day.

I am delighted to see how well the children have returned to school. It was a delight in school this week to see the children looking so smart and tidy. They have all had an excellent week working hard and really engaging with their learning. In our welcome back assembly, we discussed their responsibilities as Number 3 learners in their attitudes to learning and behaviour. We reminded one another of who our trusted adults are and remembered that we are using See it, Say it, Stop it. The safety and well-being of all members of our community are at the heart of school life.

God bless

Mrs R A Girling (Acting Head teacher)

This week in school;

- The teachers worked very hard during their INSET day.
- Mr Clark (Birmingham Education Partnership) spent the morning with the leadership team looking at our teaching standards and outcomes of learning for our pupils.
- Aladdin visited school. (Oh no he didn't! Oh yes he did!)
- We celebrated the Epiphany and blessed our classrooms.
- We welcomed Mrs Greatrex who will be teaching Class 6G.

This terms virtues are **ELOQUENT AND TRUTHFUL.**

TO BRING GOOD NEWS, TO SHINE FOR YOU.

Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church

MASS TIMES – Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00pm Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:00am and 12:00pm.



YEAR 2 : AREES & JULIA

YEAR 3 : NATALIA & EVIE

STAFF MEMBER : MR O'KANE
YEAR 1 : OLAF & MIKEY

YEAR 4 : JOSHUA & JACK

RECEPTION : ELLIE-MAI & AOIFE

YEAR 5 : RUO & ANTONI

YEAR 6 : SHANNON & TAYLOR



Epiphany Blessing of Homes

Fr Jonathan and Fr Tomas led us last week to take a piece of blessed chalk. This is an ancient tradition which recalls the visit of the Magi to the Christ child and seeks out the blessing of the Lord on our family homes for the New Year that has just begun. You use the blessed chalk to write above the doorway of your home 20+C+M+B+19 in the order below. As you do so, another (or yourself) says the prayer of blessing:

The three Wise Men

(C) Caspar

(M) Melchior, and

(B) Balthasar, followed the Star to God's Son who became man (20) Two Thousand and

(19) Nineteen years ago,

+ May Christ

+ bless our home

+ and remain with us throughout the new year .

+ Amen.

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. Bless this household with health, goodness of heart, gentleness, and the keeping of your commandments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory Be.

Please see the school website for this terms events. A printed sheet will be sent out next week



"We really enjoyed watching a wonderful production of Aladdin and his Magic Lamp," exclaimed Lewis and Louis, "It was outstanding!"



In on time by twenty to nine.

In every day to learn and to play!

We continue our attendance and punctuality campaign so please read carefully the letter attached.

The children will be looking at their own attendance and setting targets for themselves next week. These will be also become part of your parental consultation discussion on February 13th or February 14th 2019.

Staffing updates

Mrs Greatrex - class teacher for 6G

Mrs Ivory is now based in 2TF

Mrs Leedham is now based in 1W

Mrs Cookson is now based RTH

Mrs Reel is now based Year 5