

SS Peter and Paul Newsletter



Term 2 20th December 2024

Advent Mass



Today we ended the term with the children from Year 2 leading our Advent Mass. The children read beautifully with confidence and made everyone very proud of them. Canon Colin celebrated Mass for us and was very impressed with the children's answers during his homily; it was very clear from their answers that they understood the true meaning of Advent and Christmas. We would like to thank Canon Colin for celebrating with us and Mrs Partridge

who has played her way through nativity plays, Carol Services and all the other Christmas events with a smile on her face.

KS2 Carol Service

On Friday 13th December we held the KS2 Carol Service at Clifton Cathedral. It was a lovely service and the children sang with dignity and joy. Canon Colin congratulated the children and commented on the fact that they had learnt all the words to all the carols and did not require song sheets. The children sang a combination of traditional and modern carols and were accompanied by the Cello and hand bells played by Year 5 and 6. Everyone was extremely proud of them. I would like to express my thanks to Mrs Partridge and Mrs Arnold for planning the service and to Mr Fielding, Miss Bryant-Henry and Miss Williams for supporting the children with their singing. I would also like to thank the staff at the Cathedral who are always so supportive of the school. An amazing total of £702.60 was collected for St James' Priory after the Nativity plays and Carol Service. Thank you for your generosity.



Services at the Cathedral over the Christmas Period

Monday 23rd 5.00pm Clifton Cathedral Traditional Service of Readings and Carols.

A warm welcome to all our parishioners, visiting families, friends and neighbours

Christmas Eve Midnight Mass Carols at 11pm Mass at 11.30pm

Christmas Day Sung Mass at 9.30am and 11.15am

For times of other Masses Please check the Cathedral website





Christmas Lunch

Over the course of two days our fabulous cooks produced over 200 Christmas lunches which were eaten by children and staff. We are very grateful to Mrs Nunn and her team who regularly provide our children with delicious food and an especially delicious Christmas lunch. Everyone enjoyed their lunch and pulling Christmas crackers together.



Visits to St Joseph's Nursing Home



The KS1 and Foundation Stage children sang beautifully and with great enthusiasm for the residents at St Joseph's home last week. They sang their Nativity songs in the wonderful chapel and finished with We Wish you a Merry Christmas which all the residents thoroughly enjoyed.

A group of KS2 children visited St Joseph's home to share the carols they had learned with the residents. They raised the roof in the chapel. It was wonderful to hear them and the residents were extremely appreciative. They thought the children sang beautifully and were amazed they had learned so many carols by heart.



Christmas Disco

The children enjoyed their afternoon of dancing at the disco.



Everyone looked forward to the afternoon with great expectation and excitement. Staff and children managed to conga through a hoop and display some of their more interesting dance moves! They also played games such as musical bumps and musical statues.



Thank you for your generosity. The school raised £215.59 for the Royal British Legion by selling poppies and stationery items. All monies raised go to help those who have served in the armed forces and need support.

Term Dates 2024/2025

Term 2 Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December 2024

Term 3 Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February 2025

Term 4 Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April 2025

Term 5 Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May 2025

Term 6 Monday 2nd June to Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Inset days for 2024/2025

Monday 6th January 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Christmas & Winter Guide for Families in Bristol and Bath 2024!

Information about events around Bristol and Bath is available via Bristol Families Blog which can be found at <https://bristolfamilyblog.com/bristol-christmas-events>



Thank you

On behalf of all the staff at SS Peter and Paul we would like to thank you for your support this year and for your kind messages and gifts. We would like to wish you a happy and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you back on **Tuesday 7th January 2025.**

Christmas Giving

By Iris W. Bray

Christmas is for giving
And for showing that we care,
For honouring the Christ Child
With the loving gifts we share

The wise men gave of riches;
The shepherds, faith and love.
Each gift, in its own measure,
Was smiled on from above.

Let every gift be treasured;
Not always size or price
Determines the extent of love
And willing sacrifice.

Handsome gifts with festive trim
Brings smiles of sweet content,
But modest gifts of humble means
Are oftentimes heaven sent.

Whether it be large or small
Each gift will share in part
The message of true Christmas joy
If given from the heart!

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