

# December 6th 2024



This year Advent will begin on Sunday December 1st and end on Tuesday December 24th. Advent marks the start of the liturgical year, and always begins on Advent Sunday which is the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day.

St Peter & St Paul's RCP School

Weekly Newsletter

## Year 6 at Manchester Uni



Our Year 6 children were invited to Manchester University this week to participate in an engineering session. The children were firstly shown around the new wing on the university which was a very modern and industrialist setup. In the classroom, the children learned about AI (artificial intelligence) and its use in the reconstruction and regeneration of bone material to help with the repair of broken limbs. Whilst some of the technology involved was quite advanced, the children enjoyed a worthwhile workshop and I'm sure benefitted from it.

## Cinderella Pantomime

All the school this week, enjoyed a visit from a travelling pantomime company – Oh no they didn't! Oh yes they did! They did their own rendition of the traditional Cinderella tale which has historic origins reaching as far back to the Ancient Greeks.

All the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the performance



## Year 6 tree decoration

As Ambassadors of our school our Year 6 children have the privilege of decorating our school Christmas Tree.



The Christmas tree was introduced to England in the early 19<sup>th</sup> Century and was popularised by German-born Prince Albert, the husband of Queen Victoria. The Victorian Tree was decorated with toys and small gifts, candles, sweets, popcorn strings and fancy cakes hung from the branches by ribbons and paper chains.

We are sure that when you come in to our various Christmas activities over the coming days you will marvel at just how beautifully our Year 6 children have decorated the tree.



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Tues 10th Dec	Choir to Jubilee House, Bolton 10.00—11.30am
	Nativity at St Patrick's church 2.00—3.00pm
Thurs 12th Dec	Christmas Jumper day in school
	Christmas fair
Wed 18th Dec	Mass in school 9.15—9.45am
	Christmas Dinner Day
Thurs 19th Dec	KS2 Carol concert in hall 2.30—3.15pm
Fri 20th Dec	Christmas Party Day 9.00—11.30am
	School closes for Christmas Hols 1.25/1.30pm
Mon 6th Jan 2025	School reopens at 8.35am
	Epiphany
Thurs 9th Jan	Year 6 football league at Ladybridge 2.30—5.30pm



## EYFS Nativity

Our EYFS performed a traditional rendition of the Nativity in the hall for our parents, and what an early Christmas present it was! The children's acting skills were fantastic, leaving some of our parents with tears in their eyes as they left. Thankyou so much Nursery and Reception children & staff for a festive treat.

### School Holiday Absence

Please remember that **NO** holidays during term time will be authorised. Unauthorised absences of 5 days or more, during two consecutive half terms, will incur a penalty notice from Bolton Council.

### Weekly Attendance

Well done to Year 2 who are this week's attendance superstars with 98.1%

Year 1 are our most punctual class.

Well done everyone!!



## School Dinners

Dinners are £12-75 per week payable on Monday in advance. One month's notice will be required in writing to change to pack lunch.

Thank you.

### School Uniform

Please can we just remind you of our uniform policy which does state :- black shoes to be worn with uniform, plain black trainers to be worn with active wear, no jewellery apart from plain studs for earrings and a watch - analogue or digital (but no smart watches) - for our older children. Also due to health and safety reasons there can be no earrings for PE - they must be taken out at home before your child comes to school. If they are unable to remove them themselves - we are not able to put plasters on to cover them. Also children's hair should not be dyed or have temporary pieces in; short hair should not be worn shorter than a 'number 2' - patterns and lines are not allowed, hair bobbles and slides should coordinate with school uniform, whilst coloured braids, even though they are gorgeous, are not allowed.



Your child's birthday is important to us and we wish to make your child feel special on this day. We have decided that the following will happen on your child's birthday:

- They can wear their own clothes on that day if they wish.
- We will sing happy birthday in class and then on whole school assembly day
- They will receive a card from school Class Dojo
- They will have a group photo on the whole school Dojo

We are therefore asking that no more birthday cakes/sweets/party bags etc. are brought into school as we are very mindful of the current cost of living situation impacting on all families. We also have an increased number of dietary requirements/allergies coming into school.

We hope you understand and thank you for your continued support.

Please can you advise the office as soon as possible of any changes to contact details for your child, including mobile numbers, home landlines and full addresses for **both** parents. Please also update any dietary and medical information for each child, so our records are constantly up to date.

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