



ST PATRICK'S NEWS



Friday 6th December 2013

As we enter the second week of Advent our children are getting very excited about Christmas.



We should take time to think about the meaning of Advent, a time of preparation for the coming of Jesus and a time to reflect on ourselves. We woke this morning to the sad news of the death of Nelson Mandela. He believed in justice for all regardless of race, creed or colour. So as we 'Prepare a way for the Lord', who brings peace and justice let us to be prepared to show these qualities and be open to forgiveness for all.

The Sound of Music...

has filled the school this week.

The children have been busy practising for both today's Christmas Concert and the annual Nativity Plays. On Tuesday the children also had a visit from the English Pocket Opera Company who performed Orpheus & Eurydice. The children then created their own opera based around the story of a life insurance salesman who fell in love with a lady from the local Chinese takeaway and finished, as in all good operas, with all the characters dying! It was a fantastic introduction to the world of opera for the children.

Our school week finished with our first Christmas Concert. Year 4 gave their first public performance on their trumpets and trombones and as usual all of the children performed with great enthusiasm.

Please join us at the end of the day for our cake sale and Grand Christmas Draw. Thank you to the Friends of St, Patrick's who helped to organise the concert, cake sale and raffle draw.

CHOIR, CLUBS, ASSEMBLY

MONDAY Homework Club 3.30 - 4.45 Yrs 5 & 6
Sports Club Yrs 3 & 4

TUESDAY PRAYER GROUP 9am

WEDNESDAY Girls Sports Club Yrs 5&6

THURSDAY ANDY'S FOOTBALL until 4.45 pm

FRIDAY Liturgy - Reception
Assembly—Year 4
Homework Club 3.30—4.45 Yrs 3 & 4
Running Club until 4.45pm
Sports Club Yrs 1 & 2

AWARDS

The winners of the TEACHERS AWARDS were : Jamai in Nursery, Delylah. in Reception, Mary in Year 1, Jemima in Year 2, Year 3 in Year 3, Year 4 in Year 4, Xavier in Year 5, Lucy in Year 6.

The winners of the awards for GOOD WORK were: Kayane in Nursery, Pablo in Reception, Alec in Year 1, Ajok in Year 2, Chloe in Year 3, Kirubael in Year 4, Abigaelle in Year 5, Andrea in Year 6.

The winners of the awards for GOOD BEHAVIOUR were : Sean in St. Mary's Class, Nebeyat in St. Peter's Class, Yasser in St Brigid's class, Ryan in St Martin's, Caleb in St Catherine's, Stephanie in St Thomas More's, Samira in St Monica's, Jade in St. Francis'.

The winners of the KNOWLEDGE AWARDS were: Annabel in Nursery, Emmanuel in Reception, Wayne in Year 1, Louie in Year 2, Phoebe in Year 3, Mercy in Year 4, Gervais in Year 5, Bana in Year 6.

**Best Dressed Class
Year 1 - Well done!**

Sponsored Silence

Thank you to all who made donations. We will let you know next week how much money was raised.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION -Our Lady Help of Christians
*The next session for children and parents will
be held on Sunday 8th December at 9.15am.*



Nativity Performances

KS1

**Tues. 17th December at 2.30pm and
Wed. 18th December at 9.30am in school.**

KS2

Wed. 18th December at 6.30pm in parish church.

**We will also be asking children to come along to Our Lady
Help of Christians on Sunday 5th January at the 11am
Mass to join the Parish for EPHIPHANY celebrations.
More details next week.**

Open ICT Session

**Thank you to all the parents that attended yesterday's
open ICT session. It will be repeated in January.**



**Stay awake, be ready.
You do not know the hour
when the Lord is coming.
Stay awake, be ready.
The Lord is coming soon!
Alleluia, alleluia!
The Lord is coming soon!**

*School closes for the Christmas holidays
at 2pm on Friday 20th December.*