



As we continue to journey through advent and towards the Christmas season, there has been no let up in the range of events and activities taking place all around the school. The highlights this week were our KS2 carol concert, along with wins for both our footballers and netballers. We are very excited to have the Christmas Fayre this afternoon after school, and next week we have our Reception Carols, farewell assembly for Mrs Harper, Becket Awards, class parties and instrumental concert—it promises to be a week filled with fun and excitement. Have a lovely weekend.

KS2 CAROL CONCERT

Our KS2 carol service on Tuesday was a truly joyful occasion, with exceptional singing by our choir and wonderful narrating and acting by our Yr3 cohort. Our orchestra also performed a number of pieces, which really added to the occasion. Well done to everyone who took part, and thanks to Mrs Longhurst, Mrs Frost and everyone who prepared the children.



BOYS' FOOTBALL UPDATE

Both of our football teams had good wins on Monday v Oasis Shirley Park. Our blue team came from 2 goals down to win 3-2 and our white team had a very dominant win. Well done teams and thanks as always to Mr Slater for his work in preparing the teams.



POS	Team	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Thomas Beckett	2	1	1	3	9
2	Trinity	1	1	0	4	5
3	St John's	1	0	2	-3	5
4	Oasis Shirley Park	1	0	2	-4	5
5	Ark Oval	0	0	0	0	0
6	Orchard Way	0	0	0	0	0

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Make sure you check your email communications from school today as they contain important information about our school leadership structure and also about changes to our admissions procedures.



RECEPTION CONCERT

Our Ladybirds and Butterflies pupils will be performing for their parents & carers on Monday afternoon at **2.30pm** in the hall.



Butterflies	Roman Smith	Ladybirds	Joseph Allen
St Joseph	Ethan Kamara	St Elizabeth	Prince Elbert-Jnr Amoako
St Francis	Niamh Dwyer	St Anne	Alexander Moore
St Peter	Esmae Yeates-Walker-O'hara	St Bernadette	Helena Berkowicz
St Paul	Scarlett Sekowski Brion	St Therese	Isabella-Rose Green
St Martin	Nell Bennett	St Cecilia	Quinn Ronan
St Benedict	Ava Otokito	St Brigid	Lexarna Bryan

NETBALL

Our netball team has an excellent win this week in only their second game as a team. The development of their skills in only two weeks was amazing, and they won convincingly 8-3 v Orchard Way. Neriya B was scorer-in-chief with 7 baskets, but it was an excellent performance where defence and attack linked really well. As always, a big thank you to Mrs Haywood White and Coach Lorraine for preparing the team.



YEAR 4 PROJECTS

Well done to the following pupils who were awarded Headteacher Awards for their projects all about their local areas. They were filled with fun facts and amazing trivia, and were presented in a variety of interesting ways. Well done Yr4!

St Therese: Avia, Delilah and Rafael
St Paul: Ethan-Joseph, Eden, Mia and Beatrice



ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to Clara for her silver and bronze medals at a recent swimming gala; Jacob earned his level 2 badge in swimming; Izzy earned her level 4 swimming badge; both Emilia K and Molly in Yr6 starred in their theatre groups' recent production; Amelie in Yr 2 won two gymnastics medals; Preston was awarded a rugby medal at a recent festival; and Eleni Yr5 also won a bronze at her swimming gala at Whitgift.

Well done one and all!

1 Enjoy reading this Sunday's Gospel

When the crowds asked John the Baptist, "What must we do?" He answered, "If anyone has two coats they should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and they said to him, "Master, what must we do?" He said to them, "Don't collect any more than you should." Then he said to some soldiers, "Don't force people to pay money to make you leave them alone, but be satisfied with your pay." By now, a feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John the Baptist might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, "I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not good enough even to untie his sandal strap."



From the Gospel of Sunday 15th December 2024 Luke 3:10-18 (the 3rd Sunday of Advent, Year C)

ATTENDANCE AWARD

We were pleased to be awarded a certificate for excellent attendance recently. Well done to all pupils who attend consistently and thanks to all the parents & carers who get their children to school each day.

