# NEWSLETTER December 2023



Dear Parent/Carers



As we draw to the end of this busy term we would like to mention with you the wonderful activities and achievements that have taken place this month. The children have shown great reverence in their advent preparations, getting ready to celebrate and welcome Jesus in to their lives at Christmas.

We have experience many special events including KS2 reconciliation at St. Bede's Church led by Fr. Paul. KS2 led our

Advent Service and many families have received our travelling crib. Over seventy families provided a nativity scene for the Crib Festival and every pupil visited St. Bede's Church to view this special event. Our Mini Vinnies also led the Advent Prayer Trail which was prayerful and reflective of the four themes of advent: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.



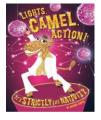
## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES in the Parish of St. John Vianny

St Bede's Weaverham~ 6.00pm Christmas Eve / 11.15am Christmas Day
St Wilfrid's Northwich~ 5.00pm & 11.30pm Christmas Eve / 9.15am Christmas Day
St Thomas Becket Tarp ~ 5.30pm Christmas Eve / 11.00am Christmas Day
Our Lady's Barnton~ 8.00pm Christmas Eve

#### A CHRISTMAS FAIR THANK YOU

Many thanks to everyone who came along to our Christmas Fair and a special thanks to everyone who gave their time in preparing for this event and running stalls on the day. There was a wonderful atmosphere and it was lovely to see faces old and new. Before the '£4£' match funding — a whopping £2235 has been raised! This money is so important in supporting our wonderful provision. We have already purchased new laptops and KS1 story sacks to enhance the learning opportunities for every child.





## KS1 Christmas Production - Lights, Camel, Action!

What a special treat we had this week. From our youngest pupils in Reception and all the pupils in KS1 we enjoyed a musical extravaganza of singing, dancing, laughter and joy. Congratulations to all the children for their hard work, we hope you enjoyed their performance

## Non-uniform Day 'Christmas Colours'

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December, pupils are invited to wear Christmas colours or Christmas jumpers instead of their school uniforms. We will also be having our Christmas Dinner on this day too!



#### ADVENT MASS in ST. BEDE'S SCHOOL Wednesday 20 December 1.15pm

We are delighted that we will end our term together in St. Bede's School with the celebration of mass. If you are unable to attend, *please collect your child/ren at 2.15pm*.

### There will be no after school club on the last day of term

#### MRS HART...

Today we began to celebrate Mrs Hart's retirement. After 27 years of service she is ready to log off her computer and sit in an arm chair rather than an office chair. Our Celebration Assembly today only had one winner! Mrs Hart was awarded certificates for Worker of the WEEK, TERM, YEAR, DECADE and 21st CENTURY along with PRIDE and RESPONSIBILITY Core Values Certificates. She also won Best Attendance from 1996 – 2023, and because of her love of musicals the children sang some show tunes with a slight adjustment to the lyrics. As we count down to Mrs Hart's retirement we would like to remind you that our mass on Wednesday will be dedicated to her.

## **VACANCY – LUNCHTIME MIDDAY ASSISTANT**

Midday Assistant wanted to join our team of staff on a permanent contract, term time only. **DO YOU...** 

Enjoy working with children?
Want to support our children to have happy, healthy lunchtimes?
Like organising playground games?
Have lots of enthusiasm?

If you answered YES to all these questions, then please contact the school office for further details

## **Dates for your Diary**

Please check these dates carefully as we are always adding new information and these dates are subject to change.

December 2023		
Monday	18	Non-uniform Christmas Colours/Jumper Day
		Christmas Dinner
Tuesday	19	Whole School trip to see Beauty and the Beast Pantomime
		(Children are allowed to bring a small snack and drink in a
		disposable bag. NO Water bottles)
Wednesday	20	1.15pm Whole School Advent Mass — St. Bede's School ALL
		WELCOME
		(please collect from school 2.15pm)
		There will be no after school club on this day
		Autumn Term ends – children break up
January 2024		
Wednesday	3	Pupil return to school
Friday	5	Celebration mass of the Feast of the Epiphany 2.30pm