

Saint John Wall Catholic School A Catholic School For All



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Weekly Information Bulletin



Mission Statement

'To educate each and every unique child in our care to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'

Prayer TERMLY THEME: LIGHT

Dear Lord,

Let us remember the true meaning of Christmas. Encourage us not to get wrapped up in the materialistic side of it. Help us to focus on family, friends, love, hope & happiness. Let us approach this Christmas season with patience & calmness. Amen

Important Dates to Note

- School closes for Christmas Holidays to all Pupils Wednesday 16 December 2020
- Year 7, 9 and 10 Remote Parents' Day using Teams (Appointments will be allocated to meet with teachers online) Thursday 17 December 2020 – 8.30am to 4.30pm
- School Opens to all Pupils Wednesday 6 January 2021

Remote learning Masterclass Timetable

Timings: After school Live Masterclass 3:00pm to 3:40pm Evening Microsoft Teams Masterclass 5:00pm to 5:40pm Saturday Masterclass 11:00am to 11:40am PLEASE NOTE - After school Live Masterclass (3pm to 3:40pm on school site) will resume from next week. Please check timetable.

Advent

This week pupils participated in a Collective Worship on Advent, what it means and how we can participate in it to get ready for Jesus' birth. Two volunteers were needed to decorate a tree in a very short time frame. This showed us how important it is to have a 4-week preparation time leading up to Jesus' birth rather than have a short time to prepare.

Advent is a time in the Liturgical calendar where we are given the opportunity to prepare ourselves for Jesus' birth.

A time to think about being kind to others, showing compassion and in our current climate how to be generous not with gifts but with our time too.

Winter Weather

As the winter weather sets in may I remind parents to talk to your children regarding their journey to and from school. Extra care should be taken with icy pavements and crossing the roads. Pupils should also make their way home quickly after school. Please also consider that it may be dark when pupils are travelling home. It is important that you think about being seen – if you are able to wear reflectors or brighter coloured hats/gloves this can help.

By Mrs Crooks - Assistant Principal (Personal Development, Safety, Behaviour & Attitudes - DSL & SPOC)

Contact Details

Parents, have you changed address? Home/mobile telephone numbers?

If you have you must contact the school office to update our records. In case of an emergency we will need up-to-date details in order to contact you.

Term 1	w/c	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday Assessment Week Master Class Prep.
December	7	Year 10 After School ART Masterclass Miss Restauri Room 1	Year 9 After School PE-PHYSICAL TRAINING Masterclass Mr Janes Room 32	Year 10 Evening SCIENCE Masterclass Mrs Habibullah	Year 9 Evening SCIENCE Masterclass Miss Timmins	
	14	Year 10 After School ART Masterclass Miss Restauri Room 1	Year 9 After School ENGLISH Masterclass Mrs Wieremiewicz	Year 10 Evening MATHS Masterclass Miss Allen (HIGHER)		
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Wednesday 16 December 2020

Birmingham School Health Support Service

NHS Birmingham

Community Healthcare

SCHOOL NURSE VIRTUAL DROP-IN CLINIC

Every Tuesday from 4:30-5:30pm



Your School Nurse is here to help you feel healthy, happy and safe during your school years and to get the best from your education.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse. We provide a confidential and friendly service.

https://nhs.vc/BCHC/ C-F/Schl-Nurse/Drop-In









Encourage them to keep it positive online

Actions online can have a real world consequences - share real stories to help



Encourage them to do a search on their name

Make sure they are aware of the information that future employers and teachers may see and take a call to remove anything that is unpleasant



internet matters.org

How to build a good online reputation

Tips to help kids create a good digital footprint

Teach them the difference between public and private information online

Review their privacy settings on the platforms they use to **make** sure they stay in control of who has access to what they share. It's important to make the point that if it's online there is the potenti that the world could see it so 'Thinking before posting' is key.

Make sure they know Ei how to report abuse be

Together get familiar with the reporting and blocking settings available on the platforms they use to screen out any abuse that breaks a platforms community



Make them aware that they can recover from mistakes made online

Let them know that if they make a mistake by posting something they shouldn't there is always a way to deal with it and give them support to make smarter

Be the example they can follow

Let your child see how you interact online to learn how to be kind and make safer choices online.

Empower them to be themselves online

Encourage children not to hide behind anonymity online and be tempted to say or do things they shouldn't. Use examples to highlight the power of being real online and developing their passions to create a positive digital footprint.

Highlight the importance of choosing respect

Talk to them about respecting other people's privacy and viewpoints even if you don't agree with them.

