

NEWSLETTER

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May I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. This year Christmas may look a little different to years gone by, however we may all look forward hopefully when we can all come together again and enjoy festive celebrations with the ones we love.

May I congratulate our fabulous EYFS and Key Stage 1 team or creating a Marvellous recorded Nativity, the recordings have been shared with the parents of children in EYFS and Key Stage 1, we hope you ENJOY! The children were brilliant in their many roles and I was so proud of the children all saying their lines. I am immensely proud of all the children and staff for bringing together a virtual Nativity this is truly special and a lovely keep sake.

Well done to our wonderful Hot Chocolate Thursday Winners! Here are the happy crew enjoying their drinks with Mrs Woods in their class bubbles!





The last day of term is Friday 18th December at the following times:

St Scholastica – 1.00 – 1.05pm at the LIBRARY CAR PARK St Francis - 1. 10 – 1.15pm at The LIBRARY CAR PARK St Lawrence – 1.30 AT THE SCHOOL MAIN GATE St Aldhelms - 1.00 – 1.05pm at the Main Gate Family Groups – 1. 10 – 1.15pm at the Main Gate St Anthony – 1.20 – 1.25pm at the Main Gate

Covid 19 Information—Important!

For our safety...

Please stay safe at Christmas.

We are aware that family and friends may wish to form a 5 day Christmas Bubble and we hope that whilst you enjoy this time, you remain cautious and safe. We all want to return to school on 4th January and continue with our learning in a COVID safe environment, with our usual restrictions and risk assessments firmly in place.

Please see this important Government Guidance, which will help us enormously as we all meet up again in January...

After your last meeting with your Christmas bubble, you should reduce your contact with people you do not live with as much as possible.

While the rules relevant to your local tier will apply, you should exercise extra caution, and think carefully about whether to meet up with friends or family outside your household. This includes not meeting up with them for New Years Eve, even if you feel well. Around one in three people with coronavirus don't have symptoms, and can still pass it on.

You can go to work if you cannot work from home, but you should avoid unnecessary social interaction. Any increase in contact with other people increases the risk you will catch or spread coronavirus.

St Lawrence An insight to next terms learning.

In the Through the Ages project, your child will learn about three different periods of British prehistory: the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. They will discover terminology relating to time and sequence dates to make a timeline. They explore the changes to people, homes and lifestyle throughout the different periods and investigate examples of prehistoric settlements, monuments, burials and artefacts in detail. They will also study how technology improved over time, including how the discovery of different metals changed the way that people lived.



Festive fun in St Lawrence Class—caught on camera!

Looking forward to the start of term 3, we have adjusted the timings of the day. This is due to the speed and efficiency of the drop off and pick up, along with the fact that we are no longer taking the children's temperature on the gate. Here are a few reminders for the start of term 3.

- ⇒ Please can you ensure that your child is on time, as they will not be able to join in with another bubble.
- ⇒ Children do not need to bring a rucksack or large bag into school.
- ⇒ If you have been asked to isolate, this means the isolating child does not leave the house at all, (unless they remain in their own car without other families/bubbles in the car).

Start and End of the day amended for Key Stage 2 starting January 2021 - Term 3.

Start Date	St Scholastica Church	St Francis Church	St Lawrence Church	St Anthony Front Gate	St Aldhelms Front Gate	Cross Key Stage Families Front Gate
Start time	8.30 – 8.35	8.45 – 8.50	8.55-9.00	9.00-9.05	8.45-8.50	8.50-8.55
Pick up times	2.50-2.55	3.05-3.10	3.15-3.20	3.10-3.15	2.50-2.55	3.00-3.05

Weekly Message from Pope Francis



'The Child Jesus reveals the tenderness of God's immense love surrounding each one of us.'

Please take a moment to follow the Wednesday Word link below...

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/kindness?pid=MTA101634&v=10.10

Weekly Attendance 9th—11th Dec 2020	St Lawrence 96.6%		
St Anthony 95.3%	St Francis 96.8%		
St Aldhelm 97.3%	St Scholastica 98.7%		