



# Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Primary School

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*“Through Jesus we achieve our very best.”*

## Newsletter No 6 – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Attendance & Punctuality since the beginning of the school year. Congratulations to Year 5 and Year 2!

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
% Attendance	92.4%	94.7%	96.9%	96.3%	97.4%	99.4%	98.2%
No of Lates	18	15	9	12	13	14	20
Whole school attendance this fortnight			96.4%	School Target			96%

### DIARY DATES:

- **Thur 29<sup>th</sup> Nov to Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Book Fair - Read below
- **Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec.** Theatre trip to the Old Rep - Morning
- **Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Year 6 Mass - 9.30am - All welcome
- **Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Basketball League matches (BTeam) - 4pm
- **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Parish Christmas Fayre - 12 to 2pm
- **Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Year 5 Mass - 9.30am - All welcome
- **Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Dec.** KS1 Christmas Production - 2pm
- **Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Dec.** KS1 Christmas Production - 9.30am
- **Thu 13<sup>th</sup> Dec.** KS2 Christmas Production - 2pm & 6pm
- **Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Year 3 Christmas Crafts with parents - 1.15pm
- **Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Year 4 Christmas Mass - 9.30am - All welcome
- **Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Christmas Dinners - 12pm
- **Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Christmas Class Parties - 1pm
- **Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Dec.** Christmas School Disco - 5.30 to 7pm
- **Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec.** **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for the Christmas Holidays
- **Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan.** **SCHOOL RE-OPENS** - 8.55am



### Theatre visit

As you know, the whole school will be going to the theatre to see

Pinocchio on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

All monies should have been paid by 26th November. We thank the parents who have already paid. If you haven't, please ensure your child's slip and monies (£14.50) are paid immediately. **Thank you.**

### Parish Christmas Fayre

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
from 12 to 2pm.



Please come and support this event and see our Irish dancers perform at 1:30pm at the Parish Hall on George Street B12 9RG.



**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November to Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Please come and visit our Book Fair. You'll have an amazing choice of books for children of all ages to buy. The more we sell, the bigger the voucher the school will be given to get library books for our children.



For all the little extras that the school budget cannot possibly cover, we ask parents to send in £10 as an annual school fund contribution. Thank you ever so much for your generosity.



Our School House is open to parents every Tuesday morning before Mass for coffee and a friendly chat. The side gate being locked, please come through the school reception.



### Christmas CD

Our PTA recorded a CD of the children singing Christmas songs this month. Each class sang a song and the CDs will be available to parents to purchase next week on the playground at a cost of £5.



The PTA received a lot of wonderful drawing for their competition. Thank you very much to all the participants. Bo, Year 5, and Poppy, Reception, have been declared the winners. Their drawings will appear on both sides of the CD cover. Congratulations!

COMING  
SOON

# Christmas

events this December 2018

## Productions

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – 2pm – KS1

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> – 9.30am – KS1

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – 2pm & 6pm – KS2



## Year 3 Crafts

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – 1.15pm



## Mass & Dinners

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

9.30am – Mass

12pm – Dinner\*



## Parties & Disco

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

1pm – Class parties

5.30pm – Disco\*\*



**Holidays** – School will close for the Christmas Holidays on *Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December* at 3.15pm and re-open two weeks later on *Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January* at 8am.



\*Christmas Dinner  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Children who normally bring packed lunch can have dinner at the cost of £2.30. Please book and pay by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at the latest.



\*\*On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, school will be holding our annual Christmas disco.

This is an opportunity for your child to dance and have some fun with their friends. The disco starts at 5.30pm and will end at 7pm. Entry is £1 and there will also be an opportunity for children to buy small toys and food. Any money raised will go back into the school to help cover the loss we are making on the Theatre Trip.

All children welcome!

## Election of a Parent Governor

Your child brought home this week some ballot papers (yellow) for the election. Each parent can vote for one candidate only. Ballot papers must be placed in the ballot box in the school entrance or posted to arrive in school by 4pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Any votes received after 4pm on 5<sup>th</sup> December will not be counted. Thank you.



## Request from Mrs Kausar

Our after-school club would be grateful for any donation of unwanted Legos. Thank you very much.

Congratulations to the following children who have celebrated their hard work and excellent behaviour with an afternoon tea!

**Rec** – Poppy & Dinah

**Year 1** – Lilly & Ivy

**Year 2** – Jaydam & Halima

**Year 3** – Dean & Wol

**Year 4** – Deepika & Aamna

**Year 5** – Sohail & Isla

**Year 6** – Esa & Tyriq

Our school's Year 5/6 Basketball team came second in the first round of the King's Norton Basketball League competition this week. They now progress through to the next round which is on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January to compete for a place in the District Grand Finals. Many thanks to parents and family members who came to support and helped with transport. Your help is greatly appreciated.

