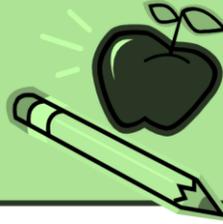




Newsletter



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St Joseph's Convent School Newsletter

Christmas Festivities



On Monday, the girls enjoyed a fantastic in-house pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty'. Girls from each year group were selected to perform in it, which made the whole experience more enjoyable and memorable. Oh yes it did! Everyone had a thoroughly fabulous time with the company thanking us for having such delightful girls.

Wednesday saw a host of Christmas jumpers added to the festive Christmas Lunch. Everyone in school really enjoyed the lunch with the sound of laughter from the cracker jokes to the singing along to the songs. The food was delicious too.

This afternoon the Preps shone in their Carol Service and the sound of angelic singing filled the hall. Tears were shed by several members of the audience as the girls retold the Christmas story. It should not be taken for granted the pleasure and opportunity to be able or forced, in a good way, to stop and listen and rehear the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you Preps.



Please visit the school website photo gallery.

Appointment of Headteacher

The Trustees of the Institute of Our Lady of Mercy are pleased to announce that they have appointed Mrs Sheila Birtles as the permanent Head Teacher of St Joseph's School. We wish Mrs Birtles a long and happy association with the school



Blessing

May the wonder of God's love
The joy of the angels
The amazement of the shepherds
The seeking of the Kings
The prayers of Mary be with us all
and those we love this Christmas.

Foundation Day of the Sisters of Mercy

We hope that the Sisters of Mercy enjoy their celebrations today.

PE kits have been sent home this week for washing and returning in the New Year.

Book Fair

Thank you to all of you who supported our Book Fair. We raised £435.00 and that allowed us to choose books to the equal amount for school.

Reminders

- We return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2020.
- Before and After school club will be available during the first week back, however extra-curricular clubs will not start until week commencing Monday 13th January.
- Our next Open Day is taking place on Thursday 23rd January 2020, if you are aware of anybody who wishes to join our lovely school.
- Swimming lessons resume on Thursday 16th January 2020

Important Safety Announcement

Parents are reminded that when collecting their daughter from afterschool club, please, please ensure you are watchful when you cross the carpark with your daughter/s, especially the younger girls. It is extremely dark, and staff from both the school and convent are leaving in their cars at that time. All parents should be leaving via the black gate onto Cambridge Park. Thank you.

Autumn Term Attendance Figures

Nursery	97%
Infants 1	99%
Infants 2	98%
Infants 3	97%
Prep 1	96%
Prep 2	97%
Prep 3	96%
Prep 4	95%

Netball Success

The team gave a great performance at this week's Netball league matches held at Redbridge Sports Centre. We won two out of three of our matches. Well done girls and keep up the good work.



Mission Statement

We are a Mercy School
We live and work together,
as Jesus taught us,
spreading his loving friendship
to everyone we meet