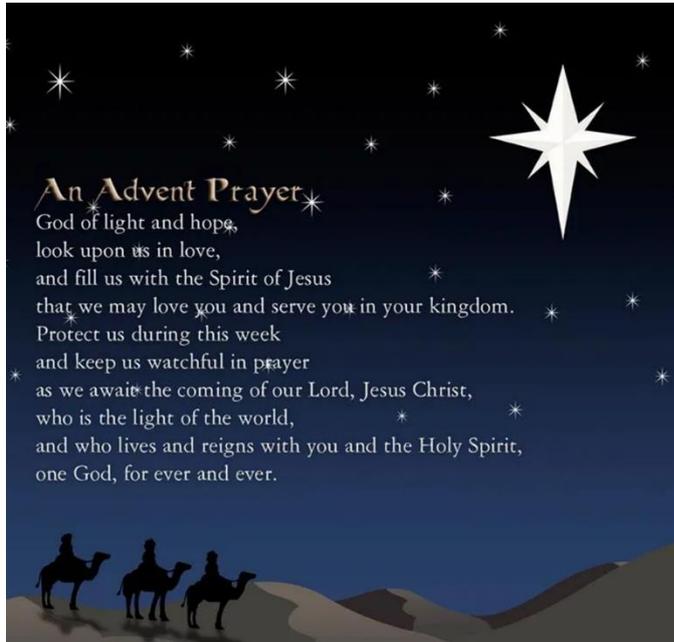




29.11.2024

Dear Parents,

Goodness me, the weeks are flying by! The season of Advent begins on Sunday, a wonderful time of



preparation for the Feast of Christmas. Our focus areas will be draped in purple, the liturgical colour for the season and the cribs have been put out this evening in preparation for Monday.

#### **Advent Mass**

Fr Paul will celebrate our Advent Mass on Monday morning at 9:15am. We would be delighted if you could join us for this special celebration.

#### **Posada**

This Advent children will have the opportunity to bring nativity figures into your home so that you can pray as a family. More details on Monday.

<https://blog.cafod.org.uk/2024/11/29/advents-invitation-to-hope/> is all about the Hope of Advent.

#### **Christmas Fair – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm – 4pm**

Please come and support the Christmas Fair two weeks today. Thank you so much for all the contributions for the stalls received at the disco, we are very grateful. The PTFA are still looking for donations of chocolates, toiletries, gifts and new toys. They are asking each class to fill a box with items for the fair. The class who fills it first will receive a prize!

#### **School Lottery**

If you would like to take part in our school lottery to raise funds for your children at school, please follow this link: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/> Click 'buy a ticket' and search for St Wilfrids Northwich which will take you to our lottery. Click 'support us' when you see our badge.

#### **Pre School / Reception and KS1 Nativities - Parking**

I was unable to confirm with St Nicholas as to whether we can use their bus park to park in as they had an INSET day today. I'll check on Monday and let you all know.

#### **Green Hands**

I would like the children to bring in green, paper or thin cardboard (eg. cereal packet) hands. They are to draw around their own hands and colour them in green with paint, crayon, felt tip or what ever you have to hand! Please supervise them cutting them out, pop their name on the back and bring them into school next week. There will be a box near the office. We are going to use the hands

to decorate an enormous Christmas tree. Younger brothers and sisters can join in and be included on our tree.

### **Basketball**

Last week there were two basketball events and this week another one. Thank you to the staff who accompany the children to these events. The children are a credit to us when they are out and about and these were no different. Two of the events were 'celebration' type events concentrating on acquiring skills and having fun. One of the events was a cluster team event and we won!!!!

### **Boccia**

Last Friday Mrs Coleman took a team to St Nicholas for a Boccia and New Age Curling event. They had a thoroughly enjoyable time picking up new skills and making friends.

### **Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity – Tuesday and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30pm**

We cannot guarantee you a ticket/seat if you just turn up as the hall has a seating capacity for fire regulations and we cannot exceed this number. Buy your tickets in advance to avoid disappointment.

### **Campus Field Access**

A meeting of all the schools affected and the Local Authority took place on Thursday morning via Teams. It was decided that due to the issue being so emotive there would be one response / joint statement from the schools. This will come out on Monday due to both high schools having INSET days today.

### **Parking on Greenbank Estate**

I have been asked to remind parents and carers not to park cars across peoples drives, the Local Authority received a complaint about this and passed it on to St Nicholas.

### **Piano Concert and Guitar Concert**

Thank you to all who attended the Piano Concert. I was so sorry to have missed it but I heard great things about it. Next week there will be a Guitar Concert which we are looking forward to.

### **Maths workshops**

Thank you to Mrs Ryan, our Maths lead for running the two workshops. The feedback has been excellent. She will be running another one for Year 5&6 parents looking at specific parts of their curriculum including fractions!

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – School office will be operating a skeleton service.**

The admin@ email address will not be in use. All queries will need to be by phone or using the **safeguarding @st-wilfrids.cheshire.sch.uk** email address. Please avoid contacting the office if at all possible.

God Bless,

**Justine McEniff, Headteacher**

