



## St Maxentius Newsletter – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

This week we have been very busy! Children have done amazingly well with their assessments and we have enjoyed Storytime with Santa and our KS1 Christingle services. The children have all made their Christingles for the services and they will bring a Christingle home today.

Today, we have been supporting the charity Save the Children by all wearing Christmas Jumpers. Thank you for your generous donations online through the School Money app. Once the total is finalised, we will let you know.

I hope you enjoy this weeks newsletter, it contains information about the upcoming winter balls and class parties.

Mrs N. Patel



### Attendance Matters

The average attendance for school last week was 89%. Again, this reflects the circumstances in the community and we hope to see this improve in our last few weeks.

Year 2 had the highest attendance last week and exceeded our target of 96% with a near perfect 99.3%.

Well done!

### Stars of the week

This week's stars of the week are as follows:

Year 6	Izzy -	Always leading by example and working hard in all lessons.
Year 5	Kylan -	Excellent attitude and work in assessments.
Year 4	Jonathon -	For super effort in all of his assessments.
Year 3	Fern -	For being kind and hard working.
Year 2	Matthew -	A fantastic work ethic in all subjects.
Year 1	Buddy -	For being a pleasant, focussed, hard-working and well-mannered class member
Reception	April -	Exemplary behaviour all the time.



### Upcoming dates

- Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> December – Reception winter ball 3.30pm-4.30pm.
- Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 4,5 & 6 Winter Ball 3.30pm-5.00pm (tickets £4).
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Year 1, 2 & 3 Winter Ball 3.30pm-5.00pm (tickets £4).
- Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> December – Reception Nativity (10am & 6pm), Y1 to support in the choir.
- Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol service at St Maxentius Church at 2pm.

### Elf Run

Bolton Hospice have requested we take part again in the Elf Run to raise money for their wonderful worthwhile cause. Last year the event raised a staggering £3186 in Bolton We look forward to participating again on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Information has been sent home on how to sponsor the event. The sponsor link is included in the email.



### Key Stage 2 Carol Service

A reminder that on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December, Key Stage 2 will be attending St Maxentius Church for a carol service with Reverend Hannah.

Parents are welcome to attend the service at 2pm, but we do ask that you wear a face mask throughout. At the end of the carol service, you will be able to take your child home if you would like. A form has been sent out to parents to confirm if you will be at the service. Also to check if you are collecting your child or if you would like them to walk back to school and collect them as usual.

### Time to Read

Last week as a school we read for **14,519** minutes. This our highest weekly total of the year! Well done to everyone for keeping up the reading at home!

For your information, you can see how each class are doing below.

Year group	Total minutes	Average minutes
1	1037	47
2	1538	57
3	2101	72
4	2644	120
5	1348	43
6	5851	177

**Congratulations to Year 4 and 6 for hitting their target!**

We aim for pupils in Year 1 & 2 to read for 1 hour per week, Year 3 & 4 for 1.5 hours and Year 5 & 6 for at least 2 hours per week.

### Bible Quote this week:

Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

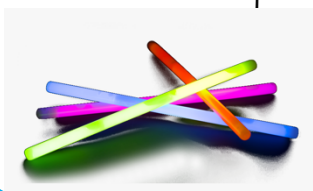
Matthew 24:42-47



### Winter Ball

For those children that have bought a ticket to our Winter Ball next week they can come to school in their party clothes for the day. So that the event can go ahead, children will remain in their class groups and move to different rooms for games, food and stalls. The price of the ticket already includes a slush drink and a hot dog and children can bring spending money for the stalls.

Glow sticks 30p



Light up glow ring £1



Sweet bags 50p & Crisps 50p

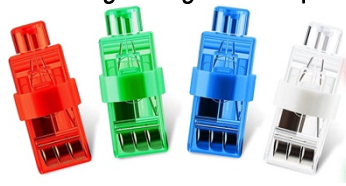


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Slap bands £1



Finger lights 50p



Tattoos 50p



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### Christmas Parties

In our last week of term, we have Christmas parties planned in. We have had to make some amendments to the usual party plan due to Covid. So, on your child's party day they can come to school in their party clothes and bring a drink and 2 party snacks in a named bag.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 (AM) – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 (PM) – Year 3 and Year 4

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021 (AM) – Year 5 and Year 6

Please remember term ends at 1.15pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

