



St Maxentius Newsletter - 26th November 2021

We are now at the start of the festive season and in this weeks' newsletter I will share with you our upcoming plans to celebrate and enjoy the season of advent. We hope to be able to host these events and we are closely monitoring the situation with regards to Covid-19, if we have to make any changes, we will communicate these to you as soon as possible.

This week we have enjoyed having a visit from the new Headteacher. Mrs Cousen has visited classes, met with children and been on duty at the gate before and after school. She is very much looking forward to starting in January and building on the tremendous success of this term.

Mrs N. Patel

Attendance Matters



The average attendance for school last week was 88.14%. This reflects the current circumstances in school and we look forward to seeing this increase soon. Thank you to parents for continuing to support over the last few weeks with taking children for tests to ensure we minimise the transmission of the Virus. We have noticed a decrease in case rates this week and hope this continues.

Year 4 had the highest attendance last week and achieved our target with 96.3% - well done!

Stars of the week

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

Year 6	Meadow -	For incredible writing in all lessons.
Year 5	Delilah -	Making a super effort with spelling, punctuation and handwriting
Year 4	Joey-	Being a superstar and a huge help in class.
Year 3	Rae-	Building stamina in her writing - well done!
Year 2	Jack -	For a great attitude to all of his work.
Year 1	Finlay -	For fantastic effort in his writing
Reception	Charlie-	Super blending and reading of CVC words

Last week I made an error on the newsletter and didn't amend the Year 1 star, I'm very sorry. The Star Of the Week in Year 1 last week was:

Year 1	Lockie -	For having a really good attitude in class.
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Upcoming dates

We have a jam-packed calendar for December with many exciting events. We have also added a Storytime with Santa for Reception, Year 1 and 2 on **Tuesday 8th December (3.30-5.00)**. We will watch a Christmas film, enjoy a hot chocolate and hopefully have a visit from a very special guest! Tickets will cost £2 and will be available shortly.



On **Thursday 16th December** Key Stage 2 will visit St Maxentius Church for a Carol Service at **2pm** and parents are welcome to attend.

Winter Ball

Tickets are still available for the winter ball. Tickets are £4 and the price includes a hot dog, a slush and children with tickets can come to school in their party clothes. We will also selling some sweets and other items at the disco.

Reception 3.30-4.30pm Monday 13th December
Year 4,5 & 6 3.30- 5.00pm Tuesday 14th December
Year 1,2 & 3 3.30- 5.00pm Wednesday 15th December

We look forward to seeing you there!

Time to Read

Last week as a school we read for **11,306** minutes. That is an amazing achievement!

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



Year group	Total minutes	Average minutes
1	1423	68
2	884	33
3	1181	41
4	2304	105
5	847	27
6	4667	141



Congratulations to Year 1, 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 1.5 hours and Year 5 & 6 2 hours per week.

Bible Quote this week:

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13

