



'Live, love and learn in a caring Christian community'

### **Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Dear Parents,

I hope this letter finds you well.

It was wonderful to see the children return from their half term break with enthusiasm and excitement to continue their learning.

We have another busy half term ahead, so I wanted to take the opportunity to remind you of the key events that will be coming up:

#### **Key dates for November and December:**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November: Open Day for prospective parents

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November: Parents' Evening\*

\*Further information regarding booking slots will follow

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November: School Association Movie Night

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: Year 1 Advent liturgy for parents

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS Christmas show for parents

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Year 2 Nativity for parents

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: School Association Christmas Disco

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day – we will be collecting items for the food bank on this day.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: End of Term (1.30pm)

#### **Upcoming News:**

Over the next few days, please keep an eye out for emails which will give you information about the following:

- Parents' Consultations
- A new and exciting times tables resource
- School Association Movie Night

#### **Staffing News:**

Sadly, Mrs Michael will be leaving the family of St Joseph's at the end of this week. I know that she is very sad to be saying goodbye to us all; she has been given an opportunity to work supporting children in care to have access to their birth families. We are grateful to Mrs Michael for her many years of dedication to our school and we wish her every success in her new position.

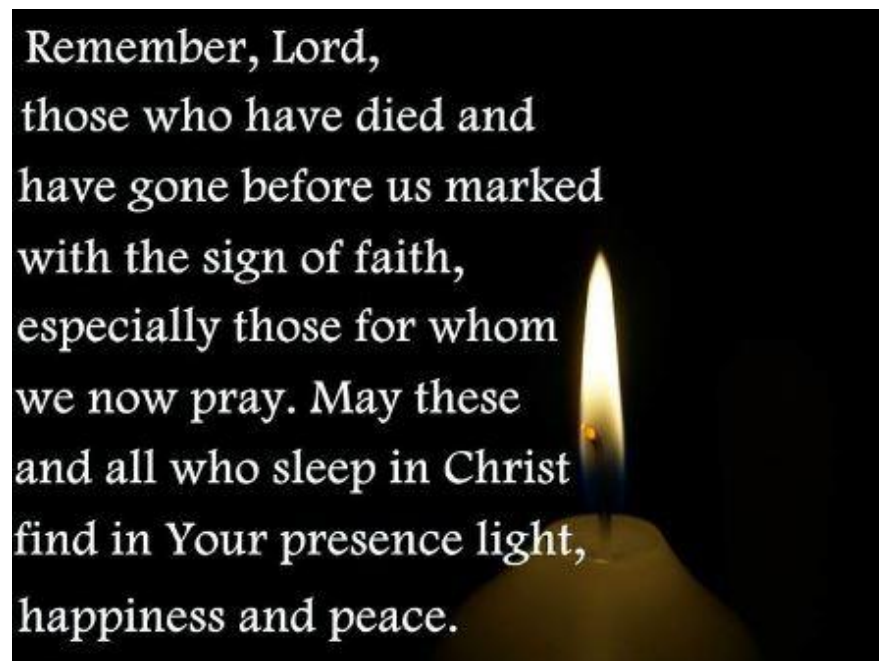
#### **Remembrance Day Plans:**

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November, our house captains and vice captains will be participating in the Remembrance Day commemorations at the memorial in Bishop's Stortford; all our other children will be joining together at 11am on the playground to mark the 2 minute silence.



The month of Holy Souls

November is known as the month of Holy Souls in the Catholic Church; we take this opportunity to remember and pray for all those we have known and loved who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, and may they rest in peace. Amen



With every good wish,

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