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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to wish everyone a very warm welcome back. I do hope that you and your families had a restful Christmas break.

### **Feast of the Epiphany**

On Sunday we celebrated the special Feast of the Epiphany of our Lord. Children across the school have reflected upon the importance of this special event, the visit of the Wise Men and God's special gift to us, his Son, Jesus our Lord.



As a school community we can approach the New Year, with the reassurance of this and the strength that Jesus is present in our lives and is with us on our journey through this New Year.

### **Sacramental Programme: Retreat Day**

Following this week's Sacramental Programme Meeting a reminder on behalf of Fr Andrew and the Parish Catechists that there is a Retreat Day for our Y3 pupils on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025 from 11-4pm. This is for those children who are registered and preparing for and receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year. Fr Andrew asks that all children preparing for their sacraments attend, along with at least one parent. Siblings are welcome to attend.

If you have any further questions regarding this please refer to the correspondence from Fr Andrew and contact him directly. Many thanks



### After School Clubs

A reminder that our after-school clubs begin on Monday 13<sup>th</sup>. There are still some limited places available for certain activities. Please see School Gateway for further detail.



### Swimming

A reminder that swimming provision returns for our Y3-4 pupils on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January. Please ensure your child has the correct swim kit with them each Wednesday. Thank you.



### KS1 Knowsley Safari Park Visit

As you will all be aware from correspondence earlier, we are very excited about the forthcoming KS1 trip to Knowsley Safari Park. This will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Janury. We will be writing with further and final information regarding the visits earlier next week.



are this week's joint 'Class Attendance Winners' with an excellent attendance of %!

<b>NurW</b> 95.3%	<b>Nur/RecW</b> 92.1%	<b>RecK</b> 99.3%	<b>1T</b> 89%	<b>1/2M</b> 96.6%	<b>2M</b> 96.3%
<b>3S</b> 95%	<b>3/4D</b> 97.9%	<b>4C</b> 97.7%	<b>5C</b> 97.7%	<b>5J</b> 97.8%	<b>6G</b> 92.5%
<b>6W</b> 87.7%					

### Dates to remember

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Visit to Zion Centre  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February – LKS2 School trip to Chester  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – School closes for half term at 3.15pm  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – School Reopens at 8.45



# Our Amazing Work

Nursery have enjoyed singing in this week's Music lesson, they welcomed in the New Year with Auld Lang Syne



Reception have been exploring height in their Maths lesson, they have been measuring each other and placing figures in height order.



Class 1/2H have been practising their gymnastic positions.



This week in History, Y4 have explored who the Romans were and how they built their empire.



Y5 have enjoyed writing setting descriptions of the Isle of Berk from the book 'How To Train Your Dragon'.



# Star of the Week

Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week'



loving hopeful  
attentive learned curious  
faith-filled wise  
generous prophetic grateful  
eloquent discerning  
intentional compassionate  
truthful active

This half term we are growing to be **learned**, finding God in all things, and **wise** in the way we use our learning for the common good.

Well done to all of our pupils who showed these virtues over the week.



It has been lovely to see one another again as a school community and particularly to see the enthusiasm with which people have returned, despite the freezing, cold weather. It has been lovely to see you, our parents and friends of the school after the Christmas break. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Peaceful and Happy New Year.

We continue to give thanks for the blessings that we have and look forward to the opportunities that this year brings for us all, knowing that we are accompanied by God.

I hope you all have a lovely, restful weekend.  
Take care and God bless!

Mr Sutton  
Headteacher



**In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, Wise Men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking,**

**“Where is the child who was born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and we have come to its rising, and we have come to pay him homage.”**