

# St Bertelne's Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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## St Bert's News

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1st December 2025

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### Family Worship

This week's Family Worship will be led by Vicar Danny.

It would be lovely to see as many parents/grandparents as possible to join us.

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### Rocksteady Christmas Concert

This will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 10am

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### Non-Uniform Day

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025 is a non-uniform day in exchange for bringing in donations for the school raffle. Items that are needed are: chocolates, candles, bottles of wine, toiletries or alternatively a £1 donation.

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### Christmas Activities

#### Christmas Nativity/Production

As you are probably aware our Christmas Nativity and Production preparations will be starting soon.

Children from 4 to 11 years of age will be performing in one way or another.

Of course, not everyone can be the star of the show, but we all play an important part - teamwork is imperative!

Below are a few guidelines which we follow when organising the Christmas shows:-

- The older children usually have the main roles, and the

younger children take the supporting roles - both in the 'KS2 Production' and the 'EYFS/KS1 Nativity'.

- All children take part and are encouraged to 'shine'. Developing confidence is a key objective.
- We don't have formal auditions but during the practice of songs we look for those who have a natural talent for acting and/or dancing. The whole experience is very positive, with lots of praise and encouragement for all involved. We have less 'main parts' and more group songs/dances.

Everybody enjoys being a part of our Christmas entertainment, including the staff, who get to know children throughout the school as a result of the team effort! It is hard work and the children get very tired but the result is well worth it. The ex-pupils of St Bert's always remember the Christmas shows!

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### Tickets

Ticket requests are now closed. A Microsoft form will be issued shortly for spare tickets.

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### Dates for Christmas Production and Nativity

EYFS/KS1 'Simply the Nativity'  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Time: 1.30pm

KS2  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Time: 1.30pm.

You should have received an email to book your tickets.

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### Donation to school

We have today received a very generous donation of crafting items from Elaine Roberts. Thank you so much the children will make full use of this and what perfect timing for Christmas card season.

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### Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas dinner takes place this Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> December). Parents can order and pay for this special dinner (that Zena cooks) on School Hub.



<https://www.schoolhub.co.uk/login>

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### Costumes

Costumes should be sorted for both productions by now and children can start to bring them into school this week. They should be on a hanger covered in a plastic bag with your child's name clearly labelled. Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December is the last day for costumes to be in.

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### Residentials

Tattenhall - Year 2

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

January 2026. £94.00

Burwardsley - Year 4

Group 1 - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> -

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Group 2

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February -

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

£130.00

Payments for these residentials can now be made via School Hub.

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### Tattenhall Meeting

Mrs Burton will be holding the Tattenhall meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> December. The meeting will take place in her classroom at 3:20pm.

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### After School Clubs

#### Choir

Friday's 3.20pm - 4.30pm  
5 weeks until Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Parents are invited to come to listen to the Choir singing at 4pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Multi Sports Club

Mondays 3.20pm - 4.20pm  
All year groups

#### Football Club

Tuesdays 3.20pm - 4.20pm  
All year groups

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Wednesdays 3.20pm - 4.20pm  
All year groups

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### Parents Thank you

We would like to invite any parents/grandparents who have volunteered in school this term for coffee and carols this Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. This is to say thank you for giving up your time to support the school. Parents who have children in the school choir are also invited to this. If choir parents are unable to make 10am, they are welcome to join choir practice at 4pm that afternoon.

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### Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day takes place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025. This is a

special day where all the children and teachers can come into school wearing a Christmas jumper and school trousers/skirts for a donation of £1. All money raised will go towards a charity of the children's choice.

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### Alder Hey Children's Hospital

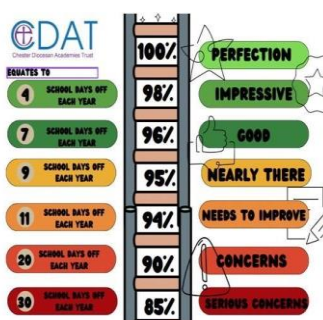
During break times this week, Isla Hill is raising money for Alder Hey Children's Hospital by selling a variety of items including highlighters, bookmarks and fidgets for 50p and £1. They will be sold at playtimes this week and after school on Thursday if there are any remaining items left. Well done Isla - a very compassionate idea!

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### Attendance

At St Bert's high levels of attendance and punctuality are expected in order for children to reap the full benefits of what our school has to offer.

Our target is 96%



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### Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday this week:

Jenson Lyon Rhodes (5)  
Emily Pritchard (8)  
Theo Sefton-Rawson (7)

We hope you have a wonderful birthday.

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### Quote of the Week



Today the first candle of Advent was lit in school. This candle symbolises

'HOPE'. It represents the hope that Jesus coming was going to offer the world. Today more than ever we need to cling to that promise of hope that Jesus offers.

Hope forever tells us that tomorrow will be better  
Lamentations 3:22-23

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### Prayers

Our prayers this week are for all those who are sad, lonely, frightened or worried for one reason or another at this Advent time. We hope that they feel God's love and comfort surrounding them.  
God Bless!

