

Friday 5th December

Kingsley St John's Primary

Friday Flyer



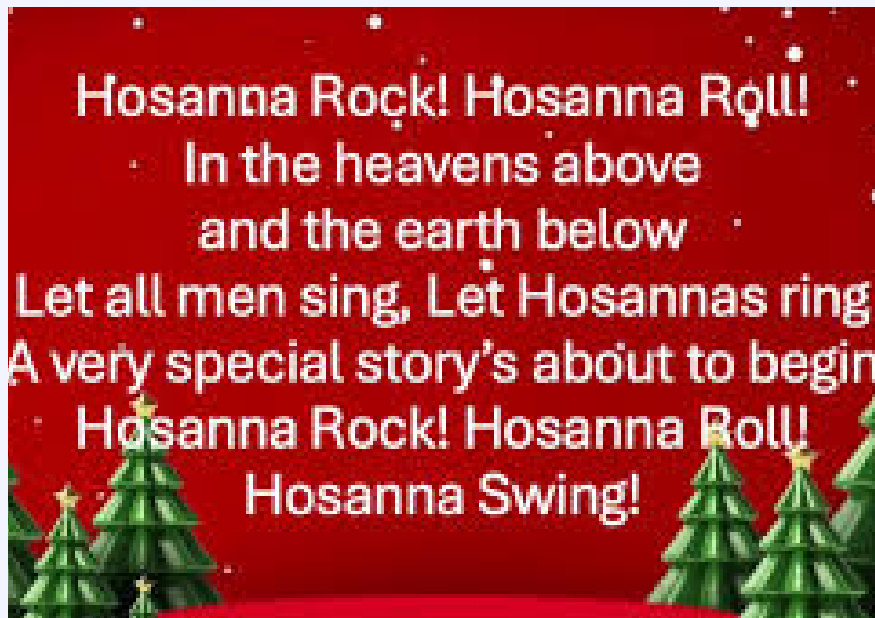
*Believe in the
light, whilst you
have the light, so
that you may
become children
of light.'*
John 12:36

Christmas has arrived at KSJ! Our new entrance looks professional and festive with our school colours adorning the tree. The windows of Wrens and Barn Owls look magical too. It has been lovely to see our Wrens learning through play in Santa's grotto. This week Beacons visited St John's Church to decorate our KSJ tree in the same theme as the Cathedral one - hoping to spread peace across our world.

Our panto has been this week, which has brought many laughs and giggles too. The next 2 weeks are busy, but wonderful and we look forward to celebrating with you and your families.

Mrs Jones

Love; Learn; Aspire; Achieve



Foundation Governors

We have 2 spaces for foundation governors on our governing body. If you are interested and feel you have the time and care to support our school as a church school, please contact the school office for an application form.

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumpers

On December the 10th we will be having our Christmas lunch together. Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers on this day. It will raise awareness of the Save the Children charity, whose official Christmas Jumper Day is the 11th December.

We are very happy to do a Christmas jumper swap in school, if you wish to donate any old or unwanted Christmas jumpers, please bring them to the office, or if you haven't got a jumper, ask the office if there any donated. The children will be creating their school lunch placemats in the morning before lunch.

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Hosanna Rock

Our Christmas performance is almost perfected and ready to share. We will have 3 sessions for you to select from to come and watch – Monday 8th in the afternoon is our dress rehearsal but we open our doors for a sneak peek. Wednesday 10th is the evening performance beginning at 5:30 pm and Thursday 11th is the afternoon performance starting at 1:45 pm. Pupils are to wear their own sparkly or Christmas themed clothing. Wrens and some pupils in Barn Owls will be supplied with a costume from school for the nativity scene. If you are unsure please contact your child's class teacher.



Kingsley St John's Christmas Tree

Our KSJ Christmas Trees

Pupils have been busy making decorations for our sponsor trees at Chester Cathedral and St John's Church. The theme is All Around the World and the school council and beacon group worked together to plan a tree that shares hope for peace around the world. The decorations include Ukrainian stars, Syrian olive branches and Palestinian candles, with doves included to pray for peace throughout the world.



Elf Run



Don't forget you can donate via our fundraising page:

<https://haltonhavenhospice.enthusias.com/pf/sam-gibson>.

Thank you to those who have already donated.

Swimming Progress

As our KS2 swimming sessions come to a close, we would like to draw your attention to the following pupils who have made outstanding progress in their swimming:

Charlie Rekbi, Maria Vasyleniuk, Ezra Reeves and Artemis Arethas

Attendance

Since September our whole school attendance is 93.8% - we aim for 95%

We have 7 pupils who are counted as persistently absent with an absence of below 90%
25 pupils have an attendance of above 95%

Y6 96%
Y5 90.0%
Y4 92.3%
Y3 97.8%
Y2 83.1%
Y1 94.9%
YR 96.8%

Eco Council

With Christmas fast approaching, our Eco Warriors are keen to help our families recycle their wrapping paper. Paper with glitter or foil cannot be recycled. The quick test to see if your wrapping paper can be recycled is to scrunch it up in your hand. If it keeps that shape then it is most likely recyclable.

Or an alternative to putting that wrapping paper in any bin might be to upcycle it. Maybe keep it to be reused next year, cut up to make gift tags or turn it into a piece of art.

KSJ Friends

Our PTA are busy preparing for their Christmas raffle at our play performances on the 10th and 11th December.

They have asked for a non-uniform day in exchange for items for the raffle and tombola:

Friday 12th December-own clothes for a teddy donation for the teddy tombola.

They also held a festive wreath making evening, with some wonderful, creative skills on display



Curriculum Focus: reading

Reading is one of the most powerful habits children can develop. It strengthens vocabulary, improves focus, and builds critical-thinking skills that support learning in every subject. Beyond academics, reading opens doors to new worlds, ideas, and perspectives, helping students grow into curious, confident, and compassionate individuals. Whether it's a novel, a newspaper article, or a graphic novel, choosing to read each day nurtures a lifelong love of learning. Daily reading at home continues to be essential for all our KSJers and we would ask that you read regularly at home with your child to develop a love of reading. Set aside a specific time for reading every day and make reading a priority.

Pantomime

We welcomed our in-school Pantomime this week. (Oh no we didn't!) Thank you to Friends for funding this again for us this year. By inviting the panto into school, it ensures that we enable all pupils to access it and enjoy the performance



CDAT worship

We have been invited to join in with our close CDAT schools to share in their Christmas worship on the 16th December. This will be accessed in our classes





Important Dates and Events

Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas jumper day Christmas lunch Evening performance 5:30pm
Thursday 11 th December	Afternoon performance 2:00pm
Friday 12 th December	Wrens at Hayhurst Farm Own clothes for teddy tombola
Wednesday 17 th December	Christingle service 1:30pm
Thursday 18 th December	Elf Run Christmas Party lunch Christmas Market 2:00pm
Friday 19 th December	Finish for Christmas 1:15pm School reopens Monday 5th January

There will be no Forest School for KS2 on 10th, 17th December



We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"May the hope, peace, and joy of Christ's birth fill your heart this Christmas and always."