



St Chrysostom's Newsletter November 2025



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to school! I hope you enjoyed the half term break and spent quality time with your families.

Since returning from the half term break, the children have focused on the concept of 'Belonging,' considering how we form a strong school community, with everyone valued. We explored this further through our anti-bullying week and the wider curriculum. Please take a moment to enjoy some of the fabulous artwork produced by the children on this theme and others at the back of this newsletter.



Children in Need

Today we are celebrating Children in Need. This charity raises money for children who are disadvantaged or need support with issues such as poverty, illness, disability, distress or trauma. Money

raised funds local charities and projects that help remove the barriers that are facing young children so that they can thrive. The children look great in their Pudsey accessories and own, spotty clothes. Thank you very much for your donations, supporting this great cause! (A picture of our wonderful children collecting donations is on the last page of this newsletter.)



Remembrance Day

This week, we took time to remember those who died during the two World Wars and in other conflicts around the world. Children took part in age-appropriate activities, sharing stories and poems to give thanks for the bravery and courage of our armed forces. We held a reflective gathering in the hall, then all went out onto the playground to participate in a minutes' silence, as the picture on the last page shows.



Attendance

October's attendance was **94.5%**.

Our aim is 96%.

Well done to class **6A,**

4B and 1A who had the joint best attendance in October at **97.9%**

Overall attendance for the school year so far is **94.4%**.

Children's Rights - Article 28

Every child has the right to an education.

School attendance is vital for children's education. Absence from school can negatively affect

academic progress, as well as children's social development and friendships. Punctuality is also important as our early morning sessions develop children's key academic and developmental skills in all year groups. Early morning booster sessions that are arranged, help children keep up with their peers academically, so please make sure children are on time for these.

School Pupil Achievement

We were delighted to receive our full, validated school pupil performance data. As you will see from our school website:

<https://www.sjcfederation.co.uk/page/school-performance-data/44414>

we saw above national average figures of Year 6 children achieving the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. These figures have also improved each year over the past three years. Well done to all our Year 6 pupils from last year and all teaching staff that help enable this!

Term Ahead

As you can see from the dates overleaf, this is a busy term ahead, particularly as we enter the Christmas period. There are lots of events for all our children. Please take note of the key dates.

J Niedzwiedzki
Head of School



Date	Event
Wednesday 26 th November	Class 4A – Class Assembly
Thursday 27 th November	Year 3 Handball Competition
Wednesday 10 th December	Year 2 Christmas performance 9.am. Parents Welcome Year 1 Christmas performance 2:45pm. Parents Welcome
Thursday 11 th December	Nursery Christmas performance 2.00pm Parents Welcome.
Friday 12 th December	Reception A Nativity 9.15am Parents Welcome Reception B Nativity 2.30pm Parents Welcome
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 16 th December	Years 3-6 'Christmas Singalong' St John Chrysostom's Church. (Just children and school staff.)
Friday 19 th December	School Closes
Tuesday 6 th January	School Re-opens



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