

OLASP NEWS

December 2024



Following our recent RE Inspection, its official – we are Outstanding! The full report is available on our school website.

Thank you once again to all our families for your continued support!



Advent

Sunday 1st December marks the first Sunday of Advent. During Advent we remember that Hope becomes Peace, Peace becomes Joy, Joy becomes Love, and Love becomes Christ.

For more information, please see our RE Newsletters, the school website and Seesaw/ Class Dojo.

Christmas Celebrations

December is a busy time in school with lots of fun activities to celebrate the build-up to Christmas. Please read below to find out what we have on offer for our children and families.



Friday 6th December is our 'Stay and Pray Christmas Craft' whereby we are invited families to come into school to join children in prayer and craft activities.

Wednesday 11th December is our 'Santa Dash', children are welcome to come to school wearing Christmas accessories/ clothing.

Thursday 12th December will be our 'Breakfast with Santa' morning (don't forget to pay at the office if you wish for your child to attend). This is also Christmas jumper day!

Friday 13th December is our Christmas Grotto (don't forget to pay at the office if you wish for your child to attend).

Tuesday 17th December is our EYFS Christmas Sing Along – we invite families to come and join us for this at 11.00am.

Wednesday 18th December is our whole school Nativity; this will be held in Church at 10.00am – we invite families to come and join us.

Thursday 19th December we are having a Christmas Disco for the children. Children are welcome to come to school wearing 'party clothes' if they wish to. See dates for the diary for times.

Online Safety

With Christmas nearly here and with some children receiving new technology or related games, we want to remind all families about the importance of keeping safe online; parent controls can help with this.

We also want to remind families that users should be at least 13 years old to use WhatsApp or Snapchat. We frequently receive reports of children not using these Apps appropriately, such as sharing images to embarrass others, sending hurtful messages, spreading rumours, or excluding people from group chats to make them feel left out.



The NSPCC have published six tips to help you improve your family's online wellbeing. They also provide you with a guide on how to talk to your child about what they are doing online as well as a quiz that you can play together. You can find our more here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keepingchildren-safe/online-safety/onlinewellbeing/positively-online/>

Dates for the diary:

Date	Time	Event
Monday 2 nd December	1pm-3pm	Prayer Trail
Tuesday 3rd December	11am	First Confession in School
Thursday 5 th December	10am	Year 4 attendance rewards trip to the cinema
Friday 6 th December	All day	Saint Nicholas Day
Friday 6 th December	11am for Nursery; 2pm for Reception, KS1 & KS2	Stay & Pray 'Christmas Crafts'
Wednesday 11 th December	Afternoon	Santa Dash Children can wear a Christmas accessory/ top
Thursday 12 th December	8am	Breakfast with Santa/ Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 13 th December	9am	Santa's Grotto
Tuesday 17 th December	11am	EYFS Christmas Sing Along
Wednesday 18 th December	10am	Whole school Nativity at Church / Christmas Dinner
Thursday 19 th December	EYFS AM; Y1-Y4 PM; Y5-6 3-4pm	Christmas Disco Own clothes day
Friday 20 th December	1.15pm	School closure for Christmas