# The Holy Spirit Newsletter

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### January 2023

# Happy New Year to all our children and families

## Welcome Back to our school family!

Welcome back to the spring term. I hope you have managed to have a peaceful holiday and enjoyed your families over the Christmas period. I hope also that 2023 comes with many blessing. Wishing everyone good health and happiness for the year ahead.

Love and best wishes.

Mrs Connolly

#### Epiphany

Pupils and staff have celebrated the Epiphany in Prayer and Liturgy today (6<sup>th</sup> January) this is to mark the event of the 3 kings visiting baby Jesus. It also celebrates the baptism of the Lord by John the Baptist. Jesus is seen as the Christ as both fully Human and Fully Divine.

See classes on twitter page.

#### **E-safety**

I am sure that some children may have mobile phones / ipads etc. for Christmas presents. Please can I ask all parents to be vigilant. Ensure that if video games have been purchased above the age of your child, that children are supervised; guidance is there to protect your child from accessing inappropriate materials that are not suitable or age related for your child. Please monitor and check that they are using it responsibly and that you are aware of their friends, monitor their activity and check what your child has access to. At school we teach e-safety throughout the year through our computing curriculum and our SRE program in all year groups. We would welcome your support in this issue.

It is very much part of our school life. We teach our pupils to have high expectations of themselves when using technology in school, recognise inappropriate behaviour, and behave responsibly when online. Keeping your children safe online in our priority. If pupils have access to WhatsApp please be aware that the recommended required age limit is 16, Tik-Toc, Snap- Chat etc; have an age limit of at least 13. Therefore, checking messages is essential to keep your child safe online.

We are also members of National Online Safety this is available to you on our website for further guidance. Thank you for your support in this matter

#### **School Trips**

A polite reminder that payment is due for residential visits; school do encourage small regular payments on gateway to avoid a large amount being owed at the last minute.

#### Uniform

Please can pupils wear full uniform – a lot of children have returned this week with no school tie. Holy Spirit PE sweatshirts are available to buy from school to wear outside during PE.

Can parents please ensure children have their names in all uniform please especially school jumpers.

#### Swimming

Swimming starts next week for year 4 /5 on Tuesdays – all children are expected to attend swimming lessons because it is a requirement of the National Curriculum.