

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

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## St Bert's News

Website [www.stbertelines.org.uk](http://www.stbertelines.org.uk)

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### Family Worship

Family Worship this week will be our annual Christingle service, Ray Tate will be helping us with the service and we look forward to seeing Ray again at St Bert's.

You are most welcome to stay for tea and coffee in the staffroom afterwards.

### School Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday of this week we will be serving our annual Christmas Dinner. There will be turkey, roast potatoes, parsnips and all the trimmings. This dinner will be served instead of our normal roast dinner.

Please note that the price of the Christmas Dinner is £2.40 unless your child is entitled to a Universal Free School Meal (all children in Key Stage 1 only) or a Free School Meal. You do not need to fill in a slip if your child is having a dinner and is entitled to a Universal Free School Meal or a Free School Meal.

Please note that on this day there will only be a Christmas Dinner served and no jacket potatoes.

### St Bert's Church Services

#### Sunday 4th Dec

9.30am Holy Communion with Junior & Baby Church

4.00pm Christingle Service

#### Wednesday (every Wednesday during term time)

9.30 - 10 am Holy Communion

10.15 - 11.30 am Community Cafe

#### Sunday 11th Dec

9.30 am Holy Communion with Junior & Baby Church

#### Sunday 18th Dec

8.30 Holy Communion

10.30am Christmas Messy Church (at Windmill Hill School)

7.30pm Carol Service

#### Saturday 24th Dec

11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion

#### Sunday 25th Dec

9.30 am Family Holy Communion

#### Sunday 1st Jan

9.30am Holy Communion

### Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fair last Thursday. I hope that like us you feel that the evening was a big success. The total amount raised was £1,290. A special thank you to the Friends of St Bert's who did an excellent job in organising the fair and also to you, as parents, for taking the time to both come along and to support us with your donations.



### Lucky Dip

After school, Mrs Dippnall will be continuing with her lucky dip. For a £1 each you can dig deep into her lucky dip bucket and pick a prize.

### Christmas Production



Thank you to those people who have already brought their ticket requests back to school. We have tried to fulfil your requests but as you can imagine it is a thankless task trying to accommodate everyone's wishes and we can only do our best.

If only we could increase the size of the hall!

Tickets will be handed out shortly.

### Costumes

By now your child should have received a note detailing the costume your child will need for the forthcoming production. Costumes need to be in as soon as possible. Please contact your child's class teacher if you have any difficulties. Please make sure your child's costume comes in on a hanger in a named bag. Thank you.

### Christmas Bingo

4th Runcorn Boys Brigade & Girls Association is holding their annual Christmas Bingo on Thursday 8th December 2016. Eyes down 7pm prompt. All welcome.

### Inconsiderate Parking

We have received a complaint this morning with regards to inconsiderate parking along Broadfields and residents not being able to pass while on their way to work. Can we please ask parents to be more considerate to our local residents.

### Icy Road



Please be aware on these icy mornings that Norton Lane does not get gritted on a regular basis, please be careful!

### Age Appropriate Games

We are becoming increasingly aware that children are being allowed to play computer games which are totally unsuitable. Can we remind parents (especially Dads) that GTA, Cop and other such games are

totally inappropriate for young children - hence the age rating '18'. Some children are taking it upon themselves to repeat particularly offensive and abusive language which they are claiming they have heard on such games. As parents we have a duty to protect our children and not expose them to inappropriate experiences of any kind.

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### Prayers

Our prayers are for all the school staff, as they plan and prepare so many lovely activities at this exciting time of the year. Help them to keep well and have the energy to survive!



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### Santa Cruises

Why not join Santa and his seasonal trip along the River Weaver.

Absorb the festive spirit and share songs and stories with Santa at this magical time of year. Every child will receive a gift that has been specially picked by Santa.

Dates: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.

For booking and further information contact 01606 786777

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### Halton Libraries

Halton Libraries present 'A Christmas Cracker'.

Join them for a festive family fun day showcasing activities including Christmas story time, festive crafts, a yuletide photo booth, Christmas carols and much much more.

Contact Halton Lea Library on 01515117744 or Widnes Library on 0151 907 8383.

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### Quote of the Week

As we begin the second week of Advent, we have been focussing on the 'Love' candle. With this in mind we thought the following quote from John Chapter 8 would be apt.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. The person who follows will never live in darkness. He will have the light that gives life".