

# St Bertelina'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)

### 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017

#### Family Worship

This week's Family Worship will be led by all the children in school. They will be celebrating the work they did last week on Values Day.

Please feel free to take part in our worship on Tuesday morning and join us afterwards for coffee and a chat in the staff room. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who sent in money last Friday for Children in Need. We raised £255.00.

#### Sickness

Just a reminder that any child suffering from vomiting or diarrhoea should remain at home for 48 hours from the beginning of the bug.

#### Operation Encompass

St Bert's participates in a Police led initiative called Operation Encompass. This is a partnership between schools and the Police that helps schools to better support any child where a domestic incident has been reported to Police from their home.

Following a domestic incident the Police will make contact with the child's school via telephone and will communicate relevant information to Mrs Barron or Mrs Moss. This will ensure that as a school, we are made aware early enough, to support children and young people in a way that means they feel safe, supported and listened to. It will also provide an opportunity for school to offer support to the whole family. Please feel free to contact school should you need further information.

#### St Chad's Open mornings

St Chad's would like to invite Year 5 & 6 pupils and parents/guardians to tour their school on a regular working day. The tours commence at 9.15 am and conclude around 10.30am.

The dates are Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017. If you would like to attend, please let Gill know and she will pass on the information to St Chad's or else contact St Chad's direct.

#### Cake Sale

Key Stage 1 will be holding their cake sale this Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017. Children from Key Stage 1 can bring in bought or baked cakes which will be sold for 50p each. Thank you for your support.

#### Operation Christmas Child



Thank you to everyone who has sent in their shoeboxes. We have 67 boxes at the moment, so you still have time to fill your boxes with goodies. **The last day for sending your boxes in is Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017.**

#### Money!!!

As you can appreciate this is always a very busy time of the year with lots of activities taking place eg Christmas Dinner, Christmas Discos, Raffles etc, which requires parents to send money into school. We have nearly 300 children at St Bert's so it is imperative that any money sent into school is sent in an envelope clearly marked with whatever activity you are paying for plus the child's name and class teacher. This is so the office is not running around school asking who has sent money in. Thank you for your support.

#### School Christmas Dinner

Our annual School Christmas Dinner will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Zena our school cook will be preparing a Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings. School dinner will be £2.40 and is open to all children. Please send money to the school office in an envelope. **Can we please remind parents of Key Stage 1 that your child is entitled to a Universal Free School meal so don't have to pay the £2.40.**

#### Christmas Discos



Thank you to those parents/children who have sent in their money for our forthcoming Christmas Discos which takes place on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

Reception/KS1	5.00pm - 6.30pm
KS2	7.00pm - 8.30pm

The charge will be £5 per child this will include a Hot Dog, drink and popcorn. Sweets will be on sale and there will be lots of games to be played and prizes to be won.

If your child would like to attend the discos, can we please ask that you send in £5 in an envelope marked with your child's name and class teacher as soon as possible. **Tickets will start to be given out by the end of this week.**

#### Children's Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets will be sent out with this week's newsletter. Raffle will be drawn at our Christmas Discos (one for each Key Stage). £1 per strip. Please make sure your child's name is on the back of the stub and return to school ready for the Disco Draw.

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**St Bert's Christmas £1 Stall**

Meg Dewell and Diane White will be holding another St Bert's Christmas £1 stall. It takes place this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 at 3.15pm outside the courtyard (weather permitting) if not inside. Goodies include gift sets, bubble bath, Christmas baubles and lots of other festive treats.

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**Christmas Production**

Below are the production dates and times:

**A King is Born**

(Key Stage 1)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec -

1.30pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6.30pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec - 1.30pm

**Joseph and the**

**Amazing Technicolor**

**Dream Coat**

(Key Stage 2)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6.30pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - 1.30pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - 6.30pm



Order forms for tickets will be sent out shortly.

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**Geo Bars**

Just a reminder that we will be selling Fairtrade Geo-Bars on Thursday break-times at 40p each.

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**Scholastic Book Club**

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-bertelines> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 25p in Scholastic Rewards which is then spent on purchasing new books to re-stock our infant and junior libraries.

By ordering through this link you will not pay for postage and packaging which works out to be £3.99 - so a good saving - I'm sure you will agree!

If you have any queries regarding this process or need help ordering please come in and see Tracey who will be more than happy to talk you through it.

Many thanks for your support.

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**Christmas Coffee Morning - Norton Priory**

The Reader is an award winning national charity that delivers Shared Reading Groups. It's a fantastic way to make a difference and give something back. Why not join them on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017 11am - 1pm for a free coffee and mince pie at Norton Priory & Museum and find out how you can help.

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**Create for Christmas**

St Bert's Church is holding a "Create for Christmas". It takes place at St Bert's Church on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 at 7.45pm at St Bert's Church. A warm welcome, with drinks and mince pies followed by Christmas crafts and gifts. Donations welcome. For more info contact Holly on 01928 716523.

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**Festival of Christmas Trees - St Bertelina's Church**

Go and see beautiful trees decorated by community organisations. Entertainment provided by OBA students at 12.30pm on 8<sup>th</sup> December and St Bert's Primary School students at 1.30pm. Light refreshments on sale. All welcome. For more information contact St Bert's Church on 01928 751151.

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**Dates for your Diary**

Celebrate Christmas at St Bert's Church.

**Messy Christmas**

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am - 12.30pm Windmill Hill Primary School

**Christmas Eve All Age Holy Communion**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017 9.30 am at Church

**Christmas Eve Christingle**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2017 4.00pm - 5.00pm at Church

**Christmas Eve Midnight Holy Communion**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 11.30pm at Church

**Christmas Morning Celebration**

9.30am at Church

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**Easyfundraising**

Just a reminder about Easyfundraising. Lots of people will be shopping on-line this



year for Christmas, so please support us by using the Easyfundraising app and click onto St Bert's. All donations received will be for Friends of St Berts. This is a free app and it's an easy way for us to receive some additional funds to support our school. Thank you to those parents who have already supported us.

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**Christmas Markets**

Ormiston Bolingbroke Academy is holding a community Christmas Market on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Stalls will include flowers, festive decorations, jewellery, sweet treats, candles and a unique array of posh presents just for pets!

There will be fantastic freshly battered fish and chips along with Coffee on the Hoof plus a brand new addition of delicious donuts and mouth-watering milkshakes! If you are interested in booking a stall (small fee of £5.00 per stall) or would like more information about the event, please contact Mrs Snagg at OBA on 01928 711643.

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**Quote of the Week**

Our current RE focus is on community and most importantly the values which underpin our community and our lives. This morning we reflected on "LOVE". Ask the children what it was all about and share your own thoughts.

"Therefore, anyone who listens to my words and puts them into practice will be like a wise man who built his house on rock".

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**Prayers**

Prayers this week are for Mr Mac who is now recovering at home after having heart surgery last week. Mr Mac was the first headteacher at St Bert's and we know that many of you will want to remember him in your prayers



God Bless!