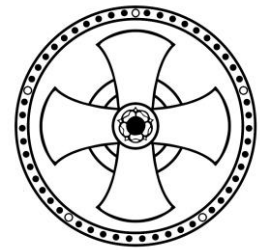




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Re: Christmas Dinner
Deadlines for Internal Christmas Post
Advent Assemblies
Our Lady's Great Christmas Tree Competition

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're rapidly approaching the end of the Autumn Term. Thanks once again for all the support that you've shown both myself and the staff since our return in September. The vast majority of children (98%) are now back in school, in lessons and working hard. Your support in this respect, in addition to the work you continue to do with your children in supporting reading and maths at home means that we will, in time, close those gaps caused by lockdown. Thank you for all you do to support us at Our Lady's.

As you'd expect, we're not going to let an international pandemic ruin all of our Christmas plans and there are some dates here which I'd like to share with you:

1. Wednesday December 16th is our Christmas Dinner Day. Children can pay £1 in order to come to school dressed like an Elf, in their Christmas Jumper or in MUFTI. All contributions will go to charity. This Year Elf on the 12th will become Elf on the 16th....
2. Thursday December 10th is the date of our 'Last Post'. In order to ensure cards and gifts are quarantined before being exchanged, please can we ask for your support in ensuring any cards or gifts that the children wish to give each other are posted in our OLOL Christmas Postbox by December 10th. The cards / gifts need to be named with the recipient and their class. We've got some Elves in Year 6 who can help us with the deliveries. We'll make sure we have the postbox set up by December 1st.
3. Advent Assemblies: This year, our Advent Assemblies will be done via YouTube. I'll ensure the PING is sent home so that, if you did want to join us virtually for our assembly, you'd be able to do so. We'll watch them on Friday afternoons, just before we're due to come home, but you can see them at your leisure!

Our Lady's Great Christmas Tree Competition

This year, the PTFA have bought each of our four Houses a 6ft pre-lit Christmas Tree. Each House will be decorating their tree with decorations in their House colour. The decorations can be made or bought (home-made wins every time, in my book) and then brought in for the tree. Again, we need to ensure things brought from home are quarantined, so we're asking for all decorations to be brought in by December 10th. During the final week of term, the children will be able to put their decoration on the tree and then, during the Christmas Dinner, we'll be asking Theresa (our school cook) and Mike (one of our school cleaners) to choose the winner. Understandably, the children are excited by this and can make their decoration as soon as they like – they just need to bring it in by December 10th and place it in the boxes in my office.

With warm wishes,

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