



St Monica's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter 16th December 2020

Dear Parents,

I am writing to you today with the hugest thank you for your response to the St. Joseph's Family Centre Hamper Appeal. You raised the incredible amount of £4,003.75. I have never, in all my time at St. Monica's, known of such a response to a charity appeal. I cannot thank you enough. I told the children about the amount they'd raised in our Mission Assembly yesterday: the theme was 'Only teamwork can make dreams happen'. I've never been so proud of our St. Monica's team. A brilliant Advent response from a loving and generous community!

Track and Trace

You may have seen on the news that schools have been asked to play a role in the national test and trace system throughout the pandemic. This has involved receiving notifications of positive test results from families and staff members, contacting the Department for Education (DfE) and Public Health England (PHE) for advice, and then informing pupils, parents and staff about the need to self-isolate. Over the Christmas period, schools are asked to continue to play this role for a six-day period which in our case will finish on 24 December. After the six days, we've been advised that we can stop checking for notifications from families, and there is no need for schools to be informed about potential pupil absence until the start of the spring term. So, if you are unlucky enough to contract the virus, or be in close contact with someone who has done so, please could you let school know, if the exposure occurs up to 24th December, on the following email account stmonicas_primary_head@warrington.gov.uk which will be monitored daily at 9 am. After that, you are advised to use the normal track and trace system. Should I hear about a case of Covid-19, I will inform families via a text message.

End Of Term

School closes for the holidays at normal time for all classes on Friday 18th December and will reopen on Wednesday 6th January 2021.

A Message from Canon Browne

Canon Browne sends best wishes to all of our school families, for a happy and a holy Christmas. He sees the children playing in the school grounds as a joyful sign of hope and optimism in dark times. If you would like to attend Mass at Christmas, you will need to book in and be aware that only 60 places per Mass are available. Masses are 5pm and 8pm on Christmas Eve, and 9.30 am on Christmas Day – none of these Masses will be a specifically children's Mass but all are welcome to any of them. If you don't get a place at one of those Masses, you could try for 5pm on Saturday 26th December or 10 am on Sunday 27th

December. To book a ticket for Mass:

- 1. Go to this website <http://stmonicas-rc.eventbrite.co.uk>*
- 2. The link should take you to this page*



eventbrite Search for events Browse Ev

Father George Browne

Live Events 1 Past Events 0

MULTIPLE DATES
Mass at St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church
St. Monica's Catholic Church, Warrington

FREE #Spirituality

3. From there click on "Mass at St Monica's Roman Catholic Church"

MULTIPLE DATES

Mass at St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church

by Father George Browne Follow Free

Select A Date

- 4. Then click on select a date*
- A Message to all our Parents.*

Thank you for all your support over this very challenging term.

We wish you all a safe, happy and holy holiday.

Happy Christmas from Mrs. Norman and all the staff.