



KEYHAM BARTON CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear School Family,

A huge thank you to all those people who shared our Facebook virtual tour and to all our staff who worked together to create it! An extra-special 'thank you' goes to Mrs McCoy and her husband Marc, who put all the individual clips together to create the finished product. We are keen to promote the school and would be grateful if you could continue to share. We still remain in the top 3% for progress and top ten schools in Plymouth as our Keyham Team work very hard to help every child be the best they can be. Thank you for working with us. We have a school and children to be very proud of.

Normally at this time of year, we would be preparing for our Christmas Nativity and Crib Service, but being in Tier 2 means we have had to be more creative. We are determined to keep the spirit of Advent alive and well and will attempt to do a virtual Keyham Barton Carol Service.

Christmas Cards: We think it is a lovely idea if your child would like to send Christmas cards to their friends in school. However, we must be extra vigilant this year. Unfortunately, children will be unable to 'hand deliver' cards this year, so we will provide a 'Christmas Post Box' for each classroom. Please can all Christmas cards be placed in this box by **Thursday 10th December** at the latest. They shall remain untouched until Monday 14th December. This will 'quarantine' them. They will then be sorted, placed in quarantine again and then sent home before the Christmas holidays. Please remind children that they need to write first names and surnames, including which class, on the envelope and it is important that they do not 'lick' the envelope. We hope that this system we have devised will enable the Christmas spirit to continue and be shared. (There is no pressure to send cards - a verbal greeting and a warm smile is just as 'Christmassy'!)

Virtual Christmas Carols: Each class will be preparing a Christmas Carol and a short reading, which we will collate to produce a 'Virtual Carol Service'. We will only be allowed to rehearse and sing outdoors this year, so please encourage your child to practise at home too.

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day: We have moved our 'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day to Thursday 10th December, so we can have all our festivities on the same day! Please note the change for your diaries.

Top Dojo Winners!

Top Dojo Winners is a new feature where we recognise and celebrate the children who have earned the most Dojos each week!



TOP DOJO WINNERS

This week's winners are:

Courage - Vladimir

Kindness - Malakia

Compassion - Alfie

Forgiveness - Evelyn

Peace - Kayla

Integrity - Daisy

Justice - Isabella & Phineus

Well done!

A huge well done and thank you to everyone for your consistent hard work, fantastic learning behaviour and good manners!

HOUSEPOINTS

This week's winners are:

BUCKFAST

Well done! The team with the most stars wins a mufti day at the end of the term!



HERE EVERYDAY. READY ON TIME

Now more than ever, regular and punctual attendance is crucial to your child's achievement in school.

The classes with the highest attendance this week were:

Class Courage!

Well done! Keep it up!



MTA Lunchtime Awards



Courage: Mason - Always has a smile and uses lovely manners.

Kindness: Casey - Brilliant behaviour all week!

Compassion: Emilia - Great manners.

Forgiveness: Jesus - Always willing to help others.

Peace: Jasmine - Great manners.

Integrity: Harrita - Always smiling and lovely manners.

Justice: Lewis - Great behaviour and trying different foods.

Here are this week's Top Online Learners.



EYFS	Oscar
Y1	Rhys



Y6	Hannah
Y5	Mackenzie
Y4	Eliza
Y3	Archie



Y6	Isabella
Y5	Holly
Y4	Sasha
Y3	Evelyn
Y1	Frankie/ Isla
EYFS	Vladimir

THURSDAY 10th DECEMBER



DIARY DATES



10th December - Christmas Lunch
Change of Date 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children
18th December - End of Term



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WORSHIP AND LITURGY



Each Monday, we begin the week with a liturgy based on the Sunday Gospel. From this, we get an action to practise throughout the week. Liturgies take place in class and I will share these on our Facebook page, along with our Celebration assemblies weekly, so you can participate remotely. The theme next week is:

Prepare!



Mark tells us right at the beginning of his Gospel that Jesus is Good News! God has kept his promise and is sending Jesus to save his people.

John the Baptist is God's messenger and is also Jesus' cousin. He is the baby who jumped for joy in his Mother's womb when he and Jesus were first near each other!

One of John's jobs was to prepare the way for Jesus in people's hearts and minds. He did this by getting everyone ready to welcome Jesus, the saviour promised by God.

Mark's description of John makes it clear that John is a prophet speaking God's message. God wants us to turn our lives around.

If we are going to be ready to welcome Jesus, we need to live our lives as God asks us; to say sorry when we get things wrong and to put other people first.

The second Sunday of Advent is 'Peace.' When we light this candle we can pray for peace in our world and in our own lives.

Action: Write a prayer for Peace that you could say as you light the second Advent candle this Sunday.



During Advent, you are invited to tie a ribbon on our Advent tree to remember someone dear, or to make an Advent promise to show love at this time of the year.

COVID Update

We end another week with no further cases. Again, a big thank you to the Keyham Team as they are working hard at keeping it that way and keeping us all safe. We ask that you continue to support our school measures. **Please continue using the one-way system.** Please could you also depart the school site quickly once children have been picked up. If you need to wait for a sibling, then ensure your child stays with you and isn't running around. We are working hard not to cross bubbles during the day and would appreciate your support with this.

COVID Reminder

It is vital that you get a test and isolate in the event of your child showing **any one of the 3 symptoms:**

- A temperature;
- A new continuous cough lasting more than an hour, or 3 coughing episodes in a 24 hour period;
- A loss of sense of taste or smell.

If a child exhibits any one of those symptoms in school, we will safely and quickly isolate them in the hall and contact you to collect them immediately.

Remote Learning

Please check you can log in to Google Classrooms, TTRS and IXL so that in the event of a lockdown we can smoothly transition across to online, remote learning.

Parking

Thank you again for your support with parking - this has greatly improved on the street. Remember there is a £60 instant fine for parking on the hazards or for unsafe parking.

Keyham Achievers!



Courage: Oliver G - For showing his understanding of advent by making this super amazing advent wreath! He can talk to you about waiting for the birth of Jesus and how "Jesus is the light of the world"

Kindness: Stanley - For being such a complimentary, kind and thoughtful member of the class. You always look out for your friends!

Compassion: Caleb - For continuing to develop a mature approach to learning, and taking a pride in his work, especially handwriting. Keep it up Caleb.

Forgiveness: Angus - for his excellent maths score in our NPV assessment!

Peace: Teigan - For significantly improving her TTRS time and excelling in this week's maths lessons. Well done, Teigan, keep up the good work!

Integrity: Penny - For her artistic skills using oil pastels and a smudging technique to produce a wonderful silhouette.

Justice: Shane - For his high levels of engagement in all of his learning, which benefits him and the rest of the class!

A fantastic effort by all our Keyham achievers and well done! We are very proud of all our children though.

Have a lovely weekend!

Rachael Riley
(Headteacher)

A FAITH COMMUNITY, GATHERED TOGETHER TO LEARN, WITH LOVE AND RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER