

St Francis Assisi Catholic Primary School

RE Newsletter 2



Dear Parents,

The dark nights have certainly found their way back to us and we return from half term to the month of November – a time to remember those who have gone before us into the loving embrace of God.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.
Amen

We also find ourselves moving towards the season of Advent when we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Son of God, at Christmas.

In this issue of the newsletter you will find what your child is learning about in each year group. We hope you find this newsletter of interest and as always, please keep us in your prayers as we continue to support your children in their religious education.

Dates from the Church's calendar:

31 st	October	All Saints'	3 rd	Dec	St. Francis Xavier
2 nd	November	All Souls	5 th	Dec	Second Sunday of Advent
3 rd	November	St. Winefride	6 th	Dec	St. Nicholas
17 th	November	St. Hilda of Whitby	8 th	Dec	Immaculate Conception of Mary
21 st	November	Christ the King	12 th	Dec	Third Sunday of Advent
22 nd	November	St. Cecilia	19 th	Dec	Fourth Sunday of Advent
28 th	November	First Sunday of Advent	25 th	Dec	Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
30 th	November	St. Andrew	26 th	Dec	The Holy Family

The cycle of prayer during Advent and Christmas: *Openness to the Word of God* especially on Bible Sunday (2nd Sunday of Advent); *Migrants and Refugees* especially on Migrant's Day (3 December); *Expectant Mothers* especially on 4th Sunday of Advent.

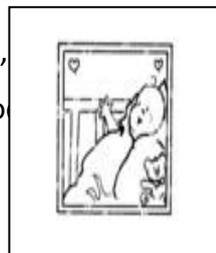
Nursery & Reception - God's Family

"Creation is the first and universal revelation of God's love ... Each human person is made in God's image ..."

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This half term, the children in the Nursery and the Reception classes will be learning about God's Family. Throughout the topic, the children will be given opportunities to become aware that God made all the people in the world to be part of his family and that we are part of it too.



They will learn that God made us to know and love him, as well as to show our love for him by helping one another. They will find out that God has given us gifts so that we can show his love to others.



As Christmas approaches, they will learn that God's greatest gift to us was to send his only son Jesus and learn how to respond to that gift.

At home

You could help your children by:

- reminding them that Christmas is about the gift of Jesus to us and not just about receiving presents.
- talk about your family and draw pictures of Jesus being part of your family
- take them to see baby Jesus at church during the Christmas season.