



*We carry the light of Christ as we love, live, learn and look after each other
Our virtues for this half term are **compassionate** and **Loving**.*

Catholic Life *January Reflections*

MONTHLY REFLECTION - The Epiphany

On 6th January, we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany. 'The Epiphany' means a showing, a revealing and an enlightening. The 'Wise men' represent all the peoples of the world they knew of the prophecies of the infant king the Saviour of the world. Through them, Jesus' arrival was announced to the world. Jesus the Lord had come to save all people. The feast shows us two aspects of our faith; the presence of the Son of God being revealed and God's desire to save all peoples made clear.

A FAMILY PRAYER

Dear God,
like the three Wise men
we are here today to worship you,
Jesus. We have no gold,
but we give you our love.
We have no frankincense,
we give you our prayers.
We have no Myrrh,
so we give you ourselves.
Amen



A message from Mrs K. Bickley

It is a pleasure to welcome you all back to school after the Christmas festivities. I do hope you all had a very happy and joyous time and feel rejuvenated ready for the spring term.

May I also wish you all a very Happy New Year and may your New Year be blessed with peace, love and joy. On behalf of St Edward's Governors and Staff, I would like to thank you for all the generous gifts we received at Christmas

This term we will continue to promote good learning behaviours and support the children in securing good or better learning outcomes. The curriculum is planned to engage and stimulate the children, to think for themselves, to demonstrate maturity and encourage them to be proud of their learning.

School matters: Children what will you achieve this term?

December Attendance

Year Group	Percentage %
Reception	97.60% %
Year 1	94.48 %
Year 2	94.71 %
Year 3	94.88 %
Year 4	90.71 %
Year 5	93.56 %
Year 6	90.11 %

Congratulations to Reception the best class for the month of December. Our average attendance for his period was 93.72%. Our school target for 2019/20 is 97%.



Dates for your Diary

Dates for January 2018:

Monday 6th - School begins

The Masses for this term are as follows:

Tuesday 14th January whole school Mass Year 4

Thursday 16th Jan 2020 9:15am Year 2 Mass

Thursday 23rd Jan 2020 9:15am Year 1 Mass

Thursday 30th Jan 2020 9:15am Reception Mass

Thursday 6th February 2020 9:15am Year 6 Mass

Thursday 13th February 2020 9:15am Year 5 Mass

Workshops

Tuesday 21st January 9.00am Maths workshop for KS2 parents

Further parent workshops will be added during the term and we will notify you accordingly.



Attendance

Please may I remind you of the importance of good attendance. Following a recent review it would appear that a growing number of children's attendance is below the threshold of 90%. Letters will be sent out to notify parents if your child is in this category.

May I congratulate all the children once again who received 100% attendance certificates at the end of the Autumn term. It would be great to see many more children receiving 100% certificates this term.



Reminders

P.E Kits Please ensure all children have their P.E. Kit in school ready for lessons and during this cold weather please do not forget to send them with suitable outdoor kit.

Snow days

Should school close due to inclement weather we will text out and post a message on the school website.

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Important Date to remember:

SEPTEMBER INTAKE 2030 RECEPTION Children born between **01.09.15 and 31.08.16** are due to start school in September 2020. Please ensure that your child is registered, children are not automatically awarded a place if they are in Nursery or if they have an older sibling in school. The school cannot accept responsibility for the non-registration of children. Please en-

This half term we will be focusing on being **compassionate and loving.**

Compassionate: We are compassionate when we feel sympathy and concern for other people who are in difficulty, whether they are near to us or far away.

Loving: We are loving when we show our sympathy and concern for other people by our actions and by our words.

A Prayer for Compassion and Love

Dear God,

You are full of compassion and love for us, your children.

Help us to be compassionate to our classmates at school and our family at home, so that we can reflect God's love in our lives.

Amen

