



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

## Headteacher Message

This week has been national Road Safety Week. Children have been completing activities in class and discussing key messages about how to stay safe on the roads. It is essential that our children know how to safely cross the road and use their bicycles proficiently. We encourage all parents to continue these discussions at home and help to teach children these essential life skills. Please take the time to demonstrate how to cross the road safely on your way to and from school. As part of our learning this week, it has become evident that very few of our children have cycle helmets. As the weather becomes more wintery and evenings are dark, it is crucial that our children are visible on the roads. Please make sure that if your child comes to school on their bike they are wearing a helmet. This is a must to keep them safe! You should also consider hi-vis jackets and bicycle reflectors to ensure they are visible to drivers.

Thank you to all our parents who always park safely outside school when dropping off their children. This is essential to keep good visibility and helps to make sure our children are safe.

Thank you

Mrs Higginson



Anita Edwards  
Executive Headteacher



Katy Higginson  
Head of School

## Attendance Week Ending 22.11.2019

R	94.4%
Y1	76.9%
Y2	97.1%
Y3	93.8%
Y4CH	93.4%
Y4HC	94.1%
Y5	100%
Y6	92.7%
Whole School (weekly)	92.7%
Whole School (Sept to date)	96.1%
Target 97%	

## Bike Racks

You may have noticed that this week we have had bike racks installed on the playground (EYFS side). From Monday can we ensure that any bikes or scooters brought to school are now parked here instead of inside the gates to the side entrance please. This will mean bikes and scooters are not a hazard to people entering school and also that they are out of view from the street. Please can we also ask that children do not "play" on the bike racks as we have had a number of reports of children swinging on them. This could cause damage to the racks and also puts your child's safety at risk as this is not what they were intended for. Thank you.



## Santa Vs Elf

For this year's Santa Vs Elf competition the children will take part in a reading challenge treasure hunt! Each team will hunt around the school to find extracts from books. They will try and identify the book from the extract. The first letter of the book title is the clue they need. If they manage to find the names of all the books it will reveal a secret word. The winning team will be those children that complete the challenge in the quickest time. This challenge will take place on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**. Pupils come to school dressed as either 'Santa' or 'Elf' to join a team. Santa hats and elf hats will be on sale at the school reception if parents need any. Please can we ask that to take part children bring a bar or box of chocolates for a tombola. These will all go towards our Christmas Fair.



## Dates for your Diary

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
– Annual Elf v Santa Day

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fair

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
– Christmas jumper day

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
– Finish for Christmas 1.30pm

Year 1's learning outcome has been 'To be able to read my own writing. As part of this they have been learning about the Nativity.



We took turns being Mary from the Nativity story. We had to answer questions from Mary's point of view.



We took turns asking Mary questions that we had written about the events that happened in the Nativity story.



### Children In Need Variety show



### School Values & Stars of the Week

- Nursery = Ollie Greenhalgh & Hussain Hashmi
- Rec = Max Williams & Brandon Jackson (Phonics)
- Y1 = Olivia Gilmore & Pixie Taylor
- Y2 = Ella Christie & Aaliyah Edwards
- Y3= Riley Martin & Matthew Fletcher
- Y4CH = Laila Bettahar & Karalina Jusko
- Y4HC = Lottie Lear & Daniel Juscius
- Y5 = Sean McNulty & Demi Rowlands
- Y6 = Abbie Hussein & Ellis Hanson



### Terrific Time Keepers

Year 1

**Well Done !!**



## Christmas Fair At St Mary's Church

Manchester Road, Partington  
Saturday 30th November 10am – 1pm  
**Free Entry!**

Gifts, crafts, food, decorations, jewellery, toys, cards and more. Children's activities and refreshments.



**Smoke Free Zone** - Please remember that our school is a Smoke Free Zone. Please support us by not smoking at the school gates. Thank you.

