



SAINT GERARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT

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St. Gerard's Mission Statement:

With Christ at our side and St. Gerard as our guide we live, love, learn and pray together.

27th November 2019

WE NEED YOUR HELP !

Christmas Fair Friday 6th December 2019 5.00-7.00pm



It is that time of year again; the Christmas Fair is just around the corner. We want to raise funds for our school. Please encourage your extended family to buy raffle tickets £1 per strip. Tickets are available from your child's classroom or the school office.

Big Raffle

1st Prize: £100

2nd Prize: £50

3rd Prize: Tin of Chocolates



Non - Uniform - Bring a Bottle or Chocolates

This Friday 29th November is non-uniform day; you will need to bring a bottle (full bottle) or chocolates suitable to be won on our Tombola Stall in return for wearing non-uniform. In addition, we need items to sell and donations for our stalls. If you have any unwanted new/old toys, gifts, books and games please bring them in to the office. You can also bring cakes in on the day.

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day



The children will be having Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 11th December**. This will be a non-uniform day when we can all wear our Christmas jumpers or clothes related to Christmas. Flyers will follow for children who normally have sandwiches but would like a Christmas Dinner on this day.

Christmas Disco - December 18th 5.00-6.30pm



Christmas Disco will be on **Wednesday 18th December 5.00-6.30pm**. Tickets are £4 per child, which includes pizza or hot dog, chips and a drink. As we need to know numbers in advance for catering and health and safety, **the last day to buy tickets will be Monday 9th December.**

This date will be strictly adhered to, so please do not leave it too late to buy your child's ticket.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact one of the safeguarding team:

Mrs Buck, Mr Crehan, Mrs Nicholls, Mrs Powis, Mrs Kissun.

Whole School Carol Concert



The Whole School will take part in the Carol Concert on Thursday 12th December in Church at 1.30pm.



Teacher Training Day - School Closed



Monday 6th January 2020 is a Teacher Training Day and School and Nursery will be closed to pupils.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3 rd December	9.00am	Y5 Class Mass in School
Friday 6 th December	5.00-7.00pm	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10 th December	9.00am	Mass Y3, Y1 and Y5 in Church
Wednesday 11 th December		Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 11 th December		Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 12 th December	1.30pm	Carol Concert
Tuesday 17 th December	9.00am	Whole School Mass led by Y4 in Church
Wednesday 18 th December	5.00-6.30pm	Christmas Disco Rec - Y6
Friday 20 th December	9.00am	Celebration Assembly
Friday 20 th December	3.05pm	School Closes for Christmas Holidays

Year 6 SATS Week will be Monday 11th – Friday 15th May 2020

Term Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term 2019	Spring Term 2020	Summer Term 2020
Wednesday 4th September 2019	Tuesday 7th January 2020	Monday 20th April 2020
to	to	to
Friday 25th October 2019	Friday 14th February 2020	Friday 22nd May 2020
HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM 2 weeks
Monday 4th November 2019	Monday 24th February 2020	Monday 8th June 2020
to	to	to
Friday 20th December 2019	Thursday 9th April 2020	Friday 17th July 2020

PLEASE NOTE: Only one week holiday for Easter and two weeks at Whitsun.

Gospel Virtues this half term - Attentive and Discerning

Pupils in St Gerard's School are growing to be: **Attentive** to their experience and to their vocation; and **Discerning** about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.



Online Safety Tip for this half term - Please remind your children that not everyone is who they say they are

