



St John's
C of E Primary School



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Weekly School News!

6th December 2024

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*Light
for a Life*



Wigan
& Leigh
Hospice

Our children gave an amazing performance at the Light for a Life event at Wigan & Leigh Hospice on Sunday 1st December. They sang beautifully and represented the school with pride. Thank you to all the staff who were involved in organising the event. The children who took part were presented with certificates to mark the occasion.



Dates for your diary

Saturday 7th December, 1pm-4pm- Christmas Fair at School, all welcome

Monday 9th December, 2pm- Y1 & Y1/2 Christmas Carol Service in school, parents/carers welcome

Wednesday 11th December- Christmas Dinner Day. Christmas jumper/accessory with uniform

Thursday 12th December, 10am & 2pm- Reception Christmas performances, parents/carers welcome.
Two guests per child, per performance.

Thursday 12th December, 4pm- Carols in the Community event around the tree opposite St. John's Church parents/carers asked to accompany their child at this event. Abram Community Centre is open after the event for festive refreshments

Monday 16th December- Reception & KS1 (Y1, Y1/2 & Y2) Christmas Parties

Tuesday 17th December- KS2 Christmas Parties

Friday 20th December- Y4 9 lessons & Carols with Communion, more details to follow

Friday 20th December, 3.15pm- School closes at usual time for the Christmas Half Term

Monday 6th January- School returns, gates open at 8.40am

Be Ready

Be Respectful

Be Safe

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St. John's C of E Primary School, Abram

Celebrating Success



Learning Legends

29/11/24

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- Reception- Rosie
- Year 1 - Mia
- Year 1/2 - Daniel
- Year 2 - Shivani
- Year 3 - Ben
- Year 3/4 - Leo
- Year 4 - Ava J
- Year 5 - Aleena
- Year 5/6 - Mia
- Year 6 - Robbie



Sports Star

Congratulations to Reya in Year 4 for joining in, making good choices and showing great effort!



Attendance is Changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notices issued after the 19th August 2024

Per parent, per child

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued per parent, for each child that was absent
For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines

5 consecutive days of term time holidays or unauthorised absence.

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

10 non-consecutive sessions of unauthorised absence

Penalty Notice Fine will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period
 Parent's can view their child's current attendance data on the MyChildAtSchool app.

Unauthorised attendance codes include codes U, O and G

Any term time holidays that are taken after the start of the 2024/2025 academic year will be treated under the new legislation as the new rules apply to any offences committed from 19th August 2024, regardless of when the holiday is booked

The full guidance can be found at the following link. [Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/124444/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance.pdf) ([publishing.service.gov.uk](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk))

*Please note this information is correct at time of writing and subject to change.

First Offence

The first time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave on regular attendance, the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days
 Reduced to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days

Second Offence

(within a rolling 3 year period)

The second time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent per child paid within 28 days with no option of reduced rate for early payment

Third Offence and any further offences

(within a rolling 3 year period)

The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education



Attendance Matters



Your role as a parent/carer is to ensure your child attends school daily and on time.

Those who turn up run the world!

Attending school every day = 100% attendance = Zero learning lost

Make every minute of learning count!



You are the light that gives light to the world
 Matthew 5:18



Learning in Action

Reception

This week Reception class have had a very busy week!

In maths, the children have been learning about numbers 1-5. They have been learning how to find one less by singing 5 currant buns and taking one away each time.

In R.E, they have been learning about the nativity story and how we celebrate Jesus' birthday. The children enjoyed drawing pictures of each part of the nativity.

In writing, Reception class have been practicing writing captions using their knowledge gained in phonics.

During PE, the children have been developing their gross motor skills by jumping and hopping. They also worked on their fine motor skills by aiming to throw bean bags in the hoops.



Announcements

Stone age workshop

Y3, Y3/4 & Y4 took part in a stone age workshop on Friday.

They learned about this historical period and participated in role play activities.



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CHRISTMAS Raffle

Prizes include:
Build-a-Bears
Chocolate
Hampers

2x winners - EYFS & KS1
2x winners- KS2

Tickets on sale from Tuesday 3rd December
£1 per strip

Lucky winners drawn on the last week of term



Friendship Hope Respect Trust





Y5 Christingle Service



Mrs. Wood's Year 5 class led a fantastic Christingle service on Thursday at Church. It was lovely to see so many parents/carers and family members in attendance.

Thank you to all the staff who were involved in putting the service together and a special thank you to everyone who helped to create our wonderful Christingles!

The Children's Society Christingle donation contribution boxes, which have already been returned to school, have been delivered to Church.

If you still have one to donate, please hand it in at the school office and we will be happy to pass on to Church on your behalf.

Thank you for your continued support.

**The
Children's
Society**

Upcoming Services in Church

1st & 3rd Sunday of each month- Holy Communion, 10am

2nd & 4th Sunday of each month- Morning Prayer, 10am

Each Wednesday- Morning Prayer, 9.30am

Weekly Events in Church




ABRAM PARISH CHURCH
Craft & Chatter Group
Every Monday 1pm-3pm
Tea & Coffee Available
For further information contact
June- 07528184971



Are you hungry?
Breakfast is served!
@BJ's café
ST JOHN'S PARISH CHURCH ABRAM
Wednesdays | 09:45AM - late morning
Your Village, Your Community, Your Church



St John's Church Abram
SOMETHING FOR PARENTS & TODDLERS
Every...
RETURNING SOON, FURTHER INFORMATION TO FOLLOW!
Whether you're a parent to be, new parent, guardian or grand parent, join us for a chat, a brew and some toast
Bring along your babies and toddlers too!
Free to join - Small donations welcome for refreshments
Future events will include baby massage and sensory classes



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
St John the Evangelist C.E. Church, Abram
Sunday 15th December 2024
at 6.00 pm



SJA SQUAD
EVERY SUNDAY AT 10AM
join us for craft, bible stories & games
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ABRAM
Everyone welcome.



St John's CE Primary School - Abram

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sat 7th December
1pm-4pm

Find the perfect present—or chance your
luck at the many fun & games stalls!

Come & Visit our
special guest - Santa

Also an appearance from the
Ukulele Group - Happy Pluckers!

Food and drink available!