



St. Winefride's Catholic Primary

Important Dates for December



There are lots of important dates to share for December. All dates are listed below and there is further information about some of the events attached. A Separate letter will be sent home regarding the Reception and KS1 Nativity Performances where we ask parents and carers to confirm their attendance to these events. The KS2 Christmas Carol Service is for all children in KS2 and a letter will be sent home regarding the service.

Date	Information/ Event
Monday 28th November	9.15am—First Advent Assembly in school—children only.
Tuesday 29th November	Swimming Lessons—Year 5: 9.30am—10am and Year 4: 10am—10.30am.
Wednesday 30th November	9.15am—10.30am Parent and Toddler Christmas Craft Session—in the school hall. 3pm—Advent Assembly in school—children only.
Thursday 1st December	9.15am—Advent Assembly in school—children only. KS2 Christmas Wrap. Raffle tickets will be on sale for the children Christmas Raffle.
Friday 2nd December	9.15am— Advent Assembly in school—children only. Reception and KS1 Christmas Wrap. Non Uniform Day for Christmas Fair Tombola Gifts. Reception and KS1 to bring in chocolate treats and KS2 to bring in bottles please. Thank you in advance.
Monday 5th December	9.15am— Advent Assembly in school—children only. 10.15am—Years 1 and 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal for children in the school. 2pm—Years One and Two Nativity Performance for parents and carers.
Tuesday 6th December	St Nicholas Day Swimming Lessons—Year 5: 9.30am—10am and Year 4: 10am—10.30am. Reconciliation Service for children in Years 4, 5 and 6—Time to be confirmed. Children only.
Wednesday 7th December	9.15am—Advent Assembly in school—children only. 1.15pm—A selection of children from KS2 will be singing at the SVP Dinner at the Royal Oak. 2pm— Reception's Nativity—Parents are welcome to attend.
Thursday 8th December	9.15am—Advent Assembly in school—children only. 2pm—Years One and Two Nativity Performance for parents and carers.
Friday 9th December	Christmas Jumper Day—School uniform to be worn with a Christmas Jumper. 9.15am—Achievement Assembly for the WHOLE SCHOOL—Reception—Year 6. Reception and KS1 children will receive their certificates first and then they will be dismissed from the school hall. 3.40pm—5pm—Christmas Fair. 7pm—First Forgiveness at St Winefride's Church.



Date	Information/ Event
Monday 12th December	9.15am—B Tales Christmas Performance. 11am—Advent Assembly. 1.30pm—Carol Service Dress Rehearsal at St Winefride’s Church—parents are welcome to attend this performance. 6pm—Carol Service Evening Performance—parents and family members welcome to attend.
Tuesday 13th December	9.15am—End of Term Achievement Assembly for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2—children only. Swimming Lessons—Year 5: 9.30am—10am and Year 4: 10am—10.30am. 12pm—Christmas Dinner for children in school. 1.30pm—KS2 Christmas Party—children are invited to come dressed in their party clothes.
Wednesday 14th December	9.15am—End of Term Achievement Assembly for children in KS2 —children only. 11am—Advent Assembly—children only. Reception and KS1 Christmas Party—children are invited to come dressed in their party clothes.
Thursday 15th December	9.15am—Whole School Pantomime visit to watch the performance of ‘Beauty and the Beast’ at the Civic Hall in Ellesmere Port. 3.30pm—4.30pm—Christmas Disco for children in Reception, Years 1 and 2. 4.45pm—6.15pm—Christmas Disco for children in KS2.
Friday 16th December	9.30am—Whole School Mass at St Winefride’s Church. 3pm—Advent Assembly—children only.



Information about the Christmas Disco.

There will be a disco for Reception and KS1—3.30pm—4.30pm. The cost of the disco is £2.00 which includes a drink. We ask parents and carers to collect their child promptly as there is a KS2 disco straight afterwards.

The disco for children in KS2 will be 4.45pm—6.15pm and the cost is £2.00. This includes a drink. There will be a tuck shop at the KS2 disco if children would like to purchase refreshments.

We do not expect to change any of the above but, in the event that we have to, we will notify you. Thank you for your support and understanding .



Nativities - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1 and Year 2 will be performing a nativity together and Reception children will be performing their own nativity. We are able to invite two adults per child to watch each nativity performance.

Monday 5th December at 2pm —Year 1 and 2 Nativity— ‘Honky, Tonky, Donkey.’

Wednesday 7th December at 2pm—Reception Nativity— ‘The First Christmas Story.’

Thursday 8th December at 2pm—Year 1 and 2 Nativity— ‘Honky, Tonky, Donkey.’

Carol Service—Monday 12th December 2022

Children and staff in KS2 will be sharing their Carol Service on **Monday 12th December** at St Winefride’s Church and, due to the number restrictions in church, there will be two opportunities to enjoy watching your child perform in the service.

Monday 12th December at 1.45pm. (This will be a dress rehearsal for the whole school also).

Monday 12th December at 6pm.

I know that previously we have held one service, in the evening, but given the space in church, we are unable to accommodate all families in one service, so I would appreciate it, if you are able to attend the service in the afternoon, that you do so. To book a space, at the service, please fill out the proforma, which will be sent home next week, with your child. A copy of this will also be emailed through ScoPay email.



Christmas Parties

This year, we will be celebrating Christmas parties. On their party day, children are invited to come into school dressed in their party clothes (please remember that children will still enjoy playtimes so they will need warm clothing, a coat and sensible footwear). We ask for a contribution of £1.00 towards the cost of the party food.

Tuesday 13th December—KS2 Christmas party.

Wednesday 14th December—Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas party.

Beauty and the Beast —Thursday 15th December (we will be leaving school at 9.15am prompt).

The whole school will be visiting the Civic Hall in Ellesmere Port to watch the pantomime ‘Beauty and the Beast.’ A separate letter has been sent about this trip.



Thank you to our PTFA for funding all of the coaches.



PTFA Events



Christmas Fair:

Winnie's Winter Wonderland is BACK!

Friday 9th December 3.30pm—5pm

We will be holding our Christmas fair in the school grounds. As last year was a great success, we will be continuing to utilise areas outside as well as indoors, so please bring your woollies and a warm coat!

Father Christmas will be visiting St Winefride's and tickets will be available to purchase when you arrive. There will be stalls and food and drink served and it will be a great opportunity for us all to share some festive cheer!

Look out for our special visitor!

Christmas Wrap

Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd December

Thursday 1st December—KS2 children

Friday 2nd December Reception and KS1 children.

Our children, staff and community love the Christmas Wrap. It is an opportunity for children to purchase gifts for family members. Members of the PTFA help the children carefully select their gifts and wrap them too! We have asked that children bring no more than £20.00 to the Christmas Wrap.

Children in Reception and Key Stage One are asked to bring their money in an envelope with their name and the amount written on the envelope as well as a list of who they are buying for (e.g. mum, dad, gran, dog etc).

Christmas Raffle

The PTFA will be selling tickets for the raffle at the Christmas Fair. There will be a variety of wonderful prizes. If you are able to donate a prize, or you know someone that can, please speak to a member of the PTFA or someone in the school office. Booklets will also be sent home with your child. They need to be returned by Friday 9th December.



Children's Raffle

There will be a raffle specifically for our children and a member of each class will have opportunity to win a chocolate prize. Tickets will be on sale from the 1st December. Tickets are £1.00 and this includes a fidget bracelet for every ticket purchased. The draws will take place in the end of term achievement assemblies (please see dates above).

We would like to thank our PTFA for all of the events that they organise for the children and community of St Winefride's. Thank you for funding the transport to and from the Pantomime and for funding the 'B Tales' who come into school and share the Christmas story with us all in a fun and meaningful way.



walking in a winter wonderland