

Parent Update Tuesday 7th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's great to be back in school! We're really busy as usual, so please read on for the latest news.

PTA Meeting Thursday 9th November at 3pm – PTA Meeting to plan the Christmas Fair; all are welcome. Our Christmas Fair is a wonderful community event and we need as much help as possible! If you work for a business which may be able to donate a raffle prize, it would be much appreciated.

Instagram not Twitter We have recently opened a school Instagram account which we will be using to share news, pictures and information about life in school. Please follow us [@stjohnboscom9](https://www.instagram.com/stjohnboscom9) and note we will not be using our Twitter account after this week.

Dates for your diary:

Wed 8th November – Y6 Crucial Crew Trip

Wed 8th November – Own clothes for housepoint winners: St Maximilian (yellow)

Fri 17th November– Own clothes day for those who bring donations of chocolate for the **Parish** Christmas Fair

Sat 18th November - Parish Christmas Fair 1pm in the Parish Hall.

Fri 24th November – Own clothes day for those who bring donations of chocolate for the **School** Christmas Fair

Fri 1st December– Own clothes day for those who bring donations of bottles (full ones) for the **School** Christmas Fair

Thurs 7th December– EYFS Nativity 9.30am for parents of children in Reception and Nursery

Fri 8th December– Own clothes day for those who bring donations of toiletries for the **School** Christmas Fair

Fri 8th December – **School Christmas Fair 3.15 to 5pm in the school hall.**

Fri 15th December - KS1 Christmas play for parents of Y1 & Y2

Fri 15th December– Christmas Jumper day

Tues 19th December – KS2 Carol Service in church 2pm, everyone welcome

Weds 20th December – Santa Dash & Children’s Christmas lunch (more details to follow)

Thurs 21st December – Pantomime in school for all children

Fri 22nd December – End of term, school closes at 1.30pm for staff and pupils. Please make arrangements to collect your children on time.

School Leadership Changes - After Christmas, I will no longer be working here in our lovely school. As you know, I have put my heart and soul into being the head teacher of St John Bosco and I have absolutely loved working with you all. The school has moved on so much in the last 4 years but I am now moving away from being a headteacher (so that I am able to spend the time I need supporting my elderly parents) and need to pass the baton on to someone else. From January, Mrs Pearson will be Acting Headteacher, an Acting Deputy Head will be appointed to support her. Mrs Pearson, as you all know, is a lovely and highly capable person, please join the staff in supporting her in this new role.

Although we are in the Christmas Term, which is exciting and very busy, we haven’t forgotten our **core business is learning!** Please continue to support your children by listening to them read at least 3 times a week and supporting them with homework if possible.

Please contact the school office (please note the school office hours are 8.15am-4pm) via our email contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk.

With love and prayers,

Mrs Johnson