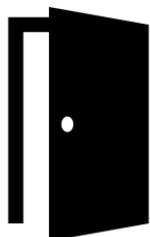




St Alban's Newsletter

16th December, 4th Sunday of Advent



Wednesday Word – MARY

Opening of Kate Gross School in Kpondu - See attached

We received some fantastic news about Kate's school (Isaac and Oscar's mum) this week. Please read this fascinating account of the opening of the new school. Next term the school council has decided to think about what we can do to further develop the link with them.

Application to build a new school in Cambridge and Cambourne

Please be aware of any media coverage regarding the diocesan bid during the holidays. Also, please share the good news with others, especially in the Cherry Hinton and Cambourne areas, so we can build support and interest in the coming months.

Sing for your School

The song written by our year 5 children is climbing steadily up the "Sing for Your School Chart" on the Cambridge Evening News website. Please do continue to listen to it at home so we get as many plays as possible. You can vote on their [website](#) by clicking on the name of our song "Urban Achievers".

St Bede's newsletter

See [attached](#) the recent newsletter.

Choir at Cambridge railway station

You may remember that our school choir sang at Cambridge railway station on 1st December, raising over £100 in just an hour for the charity Health Poverty Action. We have just been emailed by the charity to thank us for our part in raising over £7000 in total from all the choirs across the country who sang to support them. There is a lovely picture of our children on their website <https://www.healthpovertyaction.org/news/carolsinging1/>, about half way down. Well done once again to all those children who took part and their parents and friends who supported us.

Christmas candle

Today the children are bringing home a small candle to light on Christmas day. The intention of this is to spiritually bring the school community together. The children have been preparing all through Advent, and as we cannot come together for this important and joyous time of the year we can celebrate the birth of Jesus by lighting a candle at the dinner table. Therefore, once all the hustle and bustle of the opening of presents has finished and before you start your Christmas meal, please invite your child to lead the family in prayer by lighting the tea light and saying the school candle prayer. This will allow us all to pause and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Happy birthday Jesus!

Thank you

Thank you to everyone, for your continued support at the school. We really appreciate your cooperation and the partnership we have. Special thanks to all those who have volunteered this term and to those who regularly help out in the school with reading, clubs etc.

We hope you all have a very happy and safe holiday, and we look forward to seeing you back on Wednesday 4 January. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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