

DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY
OUR LADY OF PITY ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your generous contributions to Children in Need. It is heartening to see just how much our young children are thinking of others even as Christmas approaches. We don't have a total yet as some amounts are still coming in but will keep you posted...

Foodbank Appeal

We are now launching an Advent Foodbank appeal. We are asking that every child brings three gifts, in honour of the Epiphany.

Please could we ask you for:

Tinned fish

Tinned fruit

(Both tinned items to have a sell-by-date as far into the future as possible please,)

and

Deodorant

Please send these in, any time before the end of term.

It will mean the world to families who find themselves utterly desperate over the Christmas period. We know it is a lot to ask when you are already so busy with your own preparations, but we know you will move heaven and earth to help our neighbours in such dire need. THANK YOU.

Nativities

There are only two tickets per child for our Christmas plays. Space prevents us from offering extra tickets this year. Please check the website for dates and times.

Safety

Please help us to keep your children safe.

Park safely - always leave the turning circle for the buses. We have large numbers of young children in the bus area and cars put these children in danger.

Never allow the children to ride bikes or scooters on the paths or the playground.

Thank you.

Christmas Reflections

We have started to send the 'travelling cribs' home. Please enjoy sharing the Christmas story as a family. We want every child to be able to take the crib home, so please remember to send it back the next day.

We are very grateful to our PTA for funding these lovely cribs. We thank them also for their sterling work in preparation for and holding of the Christmas Fair, which is just about to start!

THANK YOU to all who support this event, generating the money to further enrich the experience of all of the children at Our Lady of Pity School.

Uniform

Please label everything and keep uniform as simple as possible. We have a MOUNTAIN of unlabelled jumpers, hats, coats, bags and more...

Christmas Jumper day is on Friday 14th December... have fun!

Parent Pay

Please check your balance and clear any debts! We thank you for supporting our cash free systems.

Fruit and more...

Our KS2 fruit shop now sells chopped vegetables and hummus dips. Everything is beautifully prepared and the children are loving the new options. All options cost 30p.

Are you reading?

Just a reminder, in your busy lives, of the power of reading to, as well as with, your children.

The number of words your child knows and understands now is vastly increased by *being read to* and is **directly proportional to future income!**

Even in a world awash with technologies, everything is underpinned by being able to read, and to read well.

Your children need to read, **every single day**. Please help your children to access this vital key to independence in the world.

And so we pray...

We ponder the words of St Paul:

***Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation,
by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving,
present your requests to God.***

We bring our worries, our wishes, our fervent hopes to God as we say:

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it is now
and ever shall be,
world without end.**

Amen.

Warm weekend wishes to you,

OLOP Team