

5th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the month of November (the month of the Holy Souls) we remember all our family and friends that have gone before us. We keep them all in our prayers.

Wednesday Word Link

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/gift?pid=MTA101634&v=42.6>

SHOE BOX APPEAL We are looking to support, with our cluster Catholic schools, the local **Manchester shoe box appeal**.

We could do boxes for children (0-3years) (4-8years) (9-12years) these could include: hats/scarves/gloves/toiletries/toys/paper/pencils /colouring pens/selection etc

Or a box for the elderly these could include:

Gift sets/books/puzzle books/pencils/adult colouring books/chocolate biscuits/sweets etc

No alcohol or gift tokens/money to be put in the boxes.

The boxes should be wrapped (lid and base separately) so they can be checked and added to when the charity receives them. They should also have a pound coin taped to the lid (for distribution costs) and the age range for the box and contain a Christmas card wishing the person a Merry Christmas (your child's first name only and no personal details)

If you are able to do this then make sure any boxes are in school from 15th – 19th November. Many thanks for your support and apologies for the short notice.

The classrooms will continue to be well ventilated this Winter so children are allowed to have extra layers if required.

Public Health have also asked me to remind you all about trying to keep as safe as we can as Winter approaches. Please help us by wearing masks on site and keeping to our one way systems so as to support us all in keeping our school as safe as we can.

First Holy Communion – our children will make their First Holy Communion tomorrow at Saint Hilda's. We wish them all a lovely day as they receive the sacrament for the first time.

Y5 Assembly has moved to Friday 17th December (it was on the Thursday).

Deputy Head Teacher The governors have appointed Mrs Anna Richardson to the post. Mrs Richardson will join us after Christmas. I am sure that you will all make her feel very welcome as she joins our family here at Saint Aidan's.

Training Day– School Closed Friday 26th November

With prayers,

Sarah Yates Head Teacher