



26th November 2025

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Monday 24th November: Week 2

Wednesday 26th November: No Pens Wednesday!

Friday 28th November: Non-uniform day in exchange for hamper items for our Christmas raffle.

Monday 1st December: Week 1

Monday 1st December: 8.45am- Year 5's Advent Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome. Year 5's class charity day

Monday 1st December: Years 5 and 6 Inspire Dodgeball tournament at Woodhey

Tuesday 2nd December: Flu Vaccinations in school. Christmas Quiz Night at 6.00pm

Friday 5th December: Christingle Services- children to bring in a Christingle (instructions at end of newsletter)

Monday 8th December: Week 2

Monday 8th December: 8.45am- Year 4's Advent Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

Tuesday 9th December: 2.00pm- EYFS Nativity

Wednesday 10th December: 8.45am- EYFS Nativity

Thursday 11th December: 8.45am and 2.00pm- Key Stage 1 Carol Concert

Friday 12th December: Reindeer Dash to raise money for Bury Hospice

Monday 15th December: Week 1

Monday 15th December: 8.45am- Year 6's Advent Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

Monday 15th December: Christmas discos after school

Tuesday 16th December: 6pm- Joint Federation Advent Service in Church for Year 3 and the choir- all welcome

Wednesday 17th December: 9.30am Mass in Church- all welcome.

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas dinner day- children to wear Christmas jumpers

Friday 19th December: Break up for Christmas at 1.15pm.

Message from Mrs Sly

It is hard to believe December is almost here and that Advent begins this Sunday. We started the week with an assembly led by Edwina from CAFOD, who spoke to the children about spreading hope, peace, joy and love during Advent, and about supporting our global family through CAFOD World Gifts. We are very grateful to Edwina for visiting and sharing her message.

Last night, we celebrated the Feast of St. Clement at Guardian Angels' Church. It was a beautiful Mass led by Bishop John and a wonderful way to mark the parish's first feast day. It was lovely to see families and representatives from our parish schools coming together for the occasion.

As we enter the busy season of Advent, please refer to the information above for all key dates relating to our upcoming Christmas events.

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No Pens Wednesday

Today we are marking 'No Pens Wednesday', focusing on oracy and the development of communication skills across all lessons. It has been wonderful to see children engaging in their learning through role play, speaking and listening activities, discussion, use of practical equipment, and plenty of opportunities for 'show and tell'. We will be sharing photographs of the children celebrating today on Seesaw so don't forget to take a look at their learning.

Year 5 and 6 Excel Dodgeball Competition

On Monday, we took the first team of Year 5 and 6 children to the Bury School Games dodgeball competition. The children worked extremely hard as a team and came second in their round, just missing out on the semi-final by 3 points. Their sportsmanship was excellent and they thanked every team they played- well done team! We look forward to taking the second team next week.



Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Hamper Items

This Friday, 28th November, we invite the children to come to school wearing their own clothes in exchange of hamper items for our Christmas Quiz Night and raffle. Please could the children bring in the following items:

Nursery - Chocolate (bars or boxes)

Reception - Selection boxes

Year 1 - Savoury Crackers or Nibbles

Year 2 - Biscuits

Year 3 - Tea, Coffee or Hot Chocolate

Year 4 - Jams, Spreads or Chutneys

Year 5 - Christmas Cakes, Pies or Tarts

Year 6 - Bottles (adult and child friendly)



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Christmas Quiz Night

Do you know the names of Santa's reindeer? Do you know what happened on the ninth day of Christmas? If so, you could be in with a chance of winning a fantastic hamper if you can join us on our Christmas Quiz Night. On **Tuesday 2nd December at 6pm**, we will be hosting a very festive quiz and we would love for you and your family to join us in the school hall. Families are welcome to join together to form a larger team or work together as one family. Tickets cost £3 per person and can be purchased via School Money. Rounds will include Christmas movies, songs, chocolate and trivia. On the evening we will be selling refreshments, raffle tickets and playing some extra child-friendly games. We are looking forward to welcoming families in for this exciting evening.



Christmas Discos

On Monday 15th December, we will be having our Christmas Discos in the school hall after school. Classes will have a different time slot depending on their class as follows:

EYFS – 3:00pm-4:00pm

Years 1, 2 and 3 – 4:15pm-5:15pm

Years 4, 5 and 6 – 5:30pm-6:30pm

Tickets for the disco are £4 and children will receive a drink and a treat during the disco and will go home with a selection box. You can purchase a ticket via School Money. Your child can bring party clothes to get changed into on the day if they nursery or reception or attending Little Angels.

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EYFS Nativity and Carol Concerts

The EYFS Nativity and KS1 Carol Concert will take place on the below dates and times. Each child will be sent home with 2 tickets for each performance they are in. Please can we ask that any tickets you do not need, be sent back to school so we allocate to those families who would like an extra ticket for another member and we do not end up with empty seats. We will be serving refreshments before each performance so please join us in the school hall.

Show	Date	Tea and coffee served in the hall from	Show start time
EYFS Nativity (Nursery and reception)	Tuesday 9 th December	1.40pm	2.00pm
	Wednesday 10 th December	8.30am	8.45am
KS1 Carol Concert (Years 1 and 2)	Thursday 11 th December	8.30am	8.45am
	Thursday 11 th December	1.40pm	2.00pm

Travelling Nativity

As we begin our journey through Advent, children will be bringing home a travelling Nativity to share the Christmas story with their families. We ask that families read through the leaflet included and hold a short reflection at home. Each child can add something to the class Nativity book to share at school the next day.



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Year 6's Robinwood Trip

Year 6 had a brilliant weekend at Robinwood. They showed fantastic resilience, communication and team work during all activities which included rock climbing, canoeing, zip lining, completing an obstacle course blindfolded and the dreaded piranha pool. We thank Miss Mulkeen, Mrs Dalton, Mrs Hodgson and Mr Kemp for giving up their weekend to take them.



Rock Steady Band Lessons

Our Rock Steady band lessons started last week and the children who signed up had a fantastic first session. There are still places available for children to sing, play the keyboard, guitar and drums. Please follow the link below for more information and to sign your child up. We are very excited about the thought of having a school band and a termly concert!

[Rock Steady Sign-Up](#)

Flu Immunisations

The vaccinations will take place in school on **2nd December 2025**. The link to sign your child up is now closed.

Wednesday Word

If any of our families do not have access to the Wednesday Word leaflet and would like to see a copy and share it with your children, please use the link below:-

[Wednesday Word](#)

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News from your child's class - Please see Seesaw for this week's messages

Take a look at our class pages from the website here

[Class Pages | Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Primary School, Bury](#)

This Newsletter is also available on our School website www.guardianangels.bury.sch.uk. Our website is full of lots of important information so please take a look and learn lots of things about our wonderful school. Please note that paper copies of the Newsletter or anything on our website is available from the School Office.

Attendance

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School firmly believes that Great Achievement can only happen if we have Great Attendance. Below you will see this week's attendance figure for each class.

Reception	96%
Year 1	95.87%
Year 2	96.34%
Year 3	97.84%
Year 4	97.41%
Year 5	97.17%
Year 6	95.54%

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GREATER MANCHESTER
POLICE

ONLINE SHOPPING FRAUD WARNING

A MESSAGE FROM GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE

In the run up to Christmas we know that some of you maybe turning to online shopping to purchase presents.

WARNING – We are aware that fraudsters are targeting this area and want to ensure our community is protected. We are working hard to bring to justice those responsible. Please see our tips for staying safe online.

Have you been offered a highly discounted or considerably cheaper product compared to the original items worth?

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

The website you are purchasing from was only launched day / weeks ago?

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

You're asked to pay by bank transfer instead of using the online platform's secure payment options.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

A sense of urgency is placed on ordering the product or service so that you don't miss the price / deal.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

You receive a fake email receipt / invoice that appears to be from the website you've purchased from or the payment service used to make your purchase. The email address domain doesn't match that of the genuine senders.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

ActionFraud
Report Fraud & Internet Crime
actionfraud.police.uk



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Hello, my name is Rachel Gibson

Who are Early Break Mental Health Support Team (MHST)?

We are a service that works with Bury/HMR schools and colleges to support children and young people experiencing mental health difficulties.

We offer low level early intervention/preventative support for low mood, anxiety, worry and behaviour difficulties.



I am an Early Break MHST Practitioner

How can I help?

I'm trained to help children and young people experiencing mental health symptoms such as:

Anxiety, Worry or Low Mood

Who to ask for support?

For Parents/Staff:

- Teacher/Staff Members
- Mental Health Lead

For Children:

- Parents
- Teachers
- Mental Health Lead
- Any trusted adult

What do I do?

- Support children, young people or parents on a 1:1 basis or in a group for 6-8 sessions.
- Work with teachers to make school an emotionally friendly and supportive place for all.
- Support schools/colleges with their mental health offer, e.g. advice, signposting, staff training, parent/carer workshops.

A bit about me:



I am a qualified children's and young people's wellbeing practitioner.

I have a cat called Banana



In my spare time, I love playing video games and board games

I love travelling and have been to Japan twice



My allocated half day is



I work all year round so I can support you during the holidays too.

For any further questions please email

info@earlybreak.co.uk



YOU ARE INVITED TO A
'FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY'

Christmas



GAMES

EXTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY 13TH
DECEMBER 2025

BACON BUTTIES
HOTDOGS

GUARDIAN
ANGELS' PARISH
CENTRE

TOMBOLAS

12 NOON - 4PM



BAILEYS
HOT CHOCOLATE

BOOK IN TO SEE
FR CHRISTMAS
(£2 PER CHILD)
BY CONTACTING

PARISHSOCIALEVENTS@HOTMAIL.COM



RAFFLE

CRAFT
AND GIFT STALLS



St. Clement
Guardian Angels' & St Hilda's

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Christingle Service

Please make a Christingle for Friday 5th December

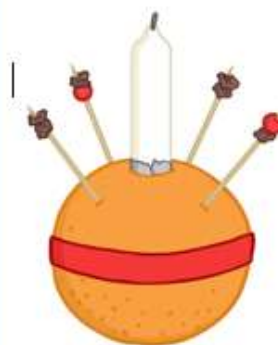
What is a Christingle?

A Christingle is a joyful celebration; celebrated during Advent. It brings the school community together to share the light of Jesus and spread a message of hope.

How do I make a Christingle?

What you will need:

- 1 orange (not tangerine)
- 2cm by 2cm criss-cross slit in the top **NB: School will provide the candles.**
- 1 small piece of foil measuring 6cm by 6cm to catch the dripping wax (poke into the hole you have made)
- Enough red ribbon or red tape to go all around the middle of the orange.
- 4 cocktail sticks (adults to cut off the pointed ends)
- Soft sweets or dried fruit (please only use twelve pieces per Christingle)
- **Tip: slicing a thin layer of peel from the bottom of the orange or placing in a foil dish helps to steady it on the table.**



The symbolic meaning:

Christingle

ORANGE
the world

RED TAPE
God's love for the world



CANDLE
Jesus - he shows us what God is like

4 COCKTAIL STICKS
4 corners of the world

SWEETS
the good gifts God gives us

Please bring in your Christingle on the morning of Friday 5th December for your class celebration.

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