

Blessed Robert Widmerpool Catholic Voluntary Academy

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School Mission Statement

'We walk kindly in the footsteps of Jesus Christ as we live and learn'

December 2022

Dear Parents,

I am writing with our end of term news
and updates as we near the end the Autumn Term.

Anti-Bullying Week

This term we held our House Meetings with the theme of Anti-Bullying.
The House Captains led them confidently and spent time with their houses
discussing what bullying is, the different types of bullying and re-enforced our
school mantra of:

- **STOP** – Bullying is: **Several Times On Purpose** and
- **STOP** – What to do: **Start Telling Other People**.

We will review this important area again next term to ensure all children across
the school understand what they need to do if them or someone they know is
being bullied.

Advent Celebration – KS2

KS2 wowed us all with their singing talents in our Advent Liturgy. We were lucky
enough to have Mr Wheat accompany us on the piano for the service. The Liturgy
Team led us in prayer with confidence as we prepared our hearts during Advent. It
was a pleasure to hear some of our most favourite Advent songs once again.

Christmas Celebrations

All of the children should be congratulated on their magnificent performances in their
Christmas Nativity celebrations. It was so good to see them perform on stage with such enthusiasm. Thank you for all
of your support with learning the lines, songs and dances. The children performed with confidence and joy. I know we
had lots of proud audience members for these special celebrations this year.

Year 4 Carol Service

Year 4 were lucky enough to visit St Barnabas Cathedral to perform in a special Carol Service. Mr Trelour from the
Cathedral Choir has been working with the children in school which has been a great opportunity to develop the
children's singing skills further. The children sung their hearts out and it was a very special evening indeed.

DATES - 2023

Wednesday 4th January

First Day back at school

Friday 6th January

Epiphany Mass in school

Monday 9th January

Individual and Family
photographs

Thurs 19th Jan and Fri 20th Jan

Talent Show Auditions

Thursday 2nd February

KS2 Talent Show

Friday 3rd February

FS/KS1 Talent Show

Christmas Card Competition Winners

This Year Lilian Greenwood, our local MP asked us to take part in her annual Christmas Card design competition. I would like to say well done to our special prize winners:

- Katie in Year 3 who won best in school.
- Claudia in Year 2 and Agata in FS2 who won the highly commended award.

The children will be awarded their certificates in our assembly this week.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoe Box Appeal.

Thank you so much for the Christmas Shoe boxes donated this year for the Operation Shoe Box Appeal. These simple shoebox gifts packed with love and fueled by prayer can have a huge impact and bring great joy to children around the world. Mrs Cook has already delivered them in time for Christmas.

Miss Ferrara

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Ferrara at the end of this term. Miss Ferrara has had an incredibly positive impact on the life and running of Blessed Robert Widmerpool and her dedication has been unwavering throughout the 17 years she has worked here. I would like to thank her for the way she has been committed wholeheartedly to teaching our children and staff; she has had a positive impact on so many people in our school community. We wish her the very best of luck as she moves on to be the Head Teacher at St Patrick's and we keep her in our prayers as she starts the new term. Thank you, Miss Ferrara!

Governor Update

Mrs Paterson will be sadly leaving our Governing Body at the end of the term. She has dedicated many years to supporting and serving the school as a governor and I know you will join me in saying a huge thank you for her time, energy and efforts.

Carols Around the Tree

Last Thursday we welcomed back Carols Around the Tree! It was a joyous event full of good cheer and Christmas spirit. Every class led us in a Christmas song with Year 6 ending the event with an upbeat rendition of the Twelve Days of Christmas, complete with action and an extra speedy version at the end.

Please visit our school website to read about other exciting events at www.brwacademy.com . To access individual class pages, please click on the 'News' Tab.

I wish you a peaceful Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year when we return on Wednesday 4th January.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Maylard-Mason
Head Teacher