

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 2024

Dear Parents,

We have been preparing our hearts and minds for Jesus's coming during this special season of Advent. The children have been working very hard to showcase their many gifts and talents during our celebrations.

Advent Celebration – KS2

Thank you for joining us to share the **Key Stage 2 Advent Celebration** last week. I spoke with many parents and families who said how impressed they were with the confident way in which our children performed, sang and read the Word of God. They impressed us with their independence and dedication in sharing these important messages.

Anti-Bullying Week – November 2024

We held our House Meetings with the theme of Anti-Bullying in November. House Captains spent time with their House Teams 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 revisit this theme throughout the year to ensure the children have a good understanding and know how to seek support if necessary.

Christmas Nativity Celebrations

Foundation Stage, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 have worked incredibly hard this term to prepare and perform wonderful interpretations of the Nativity story. Their audiences were mesmerised by their enthusiastic and confident performances on stage. Thank you to our parents for your support with learning the lines, songs and dances. The children were wonderful!

Year 4 and 5 Carol Service

Year 4 and 5 were lucky enough to visit St Barnabas Cathedral to perform in a special carol service last week. Mr Davies 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 sang beautifully, and it was a very special evening indeed.

DATES - 2025

Monday 6th January 2025

First Day back at school

Monday 13th January

Individual and family
photographs

WC 27th January

Talent Show Auditions

4th – 10th February

Book Fair

12th February

KS2 Talent Show

13th February

KS1 Talent Show

Friday 14th February

INSET DAY

Opal Play

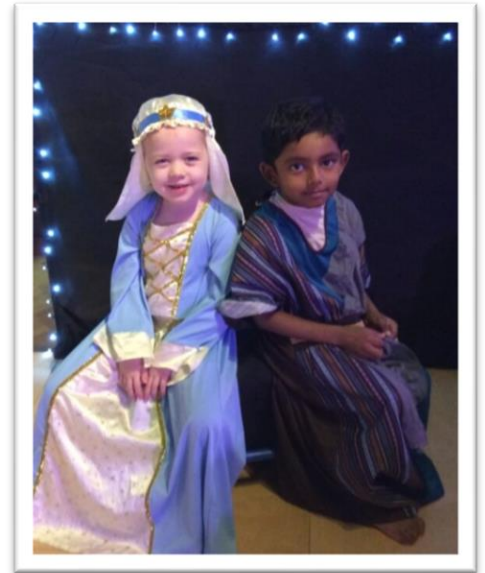
Our Opal Play Provision project has started well. The children have been enjoying lunchtime play with a range of resources and areas. We are still in need of donations to supplement this provision and improve each area.

Things required include:

- Large loose parts: tyres, tree stumps, cable spools
- Pipes: cardboard, plastic, corrugated and PVC pipes
- Wooden planks
- Tarpaulin

Mrs Cross

We will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Cross at the end of this term. Mrs Cross will be missed by all at Blessed Robert Widmerpool where she has had a positive and lasting impact during the nine years she has worked here as a class teacher and Acting Deputy Head Teacher. I would like to thank her for the way she has been committed to teaching and supporting our children and families at Blessed Robert Widmerpool. 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 Deputy Head Teacher at St Edmund Campion and we keep her in our prayers as she starts the new term. Thank you, Mrs Cross!



Year 6 – Briars Visit

The Year 6 team had a great time at The Briars in Crich this week. We have been updating parents with pictures of their residential adventures and I am sure we will be hearing all about their visit on their return to school today.

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.

We have one week in school left before we break up for the Christmas holiday. I wish you a joyful Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year when we return on **Monday 6th January**.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Maylard-Mason
Head Teacher



