



# Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and staff,

On behalf of all the Governors, I would like to wish you all a very happy, peaceful, healthy and holy Christmas season. It is such a special time of the year, and it is lovely to see all the children getting so excited. The governors have enjoyed watching some of the wonderful carol concerts and nativity productions, produced with energy, enthusiasm and dedication by staff and performed with obvious enjoyment by the children.

I would also like to mention, Janet McInerney, one of our lunchtime supervisors who is retiring at the end of term after 45 years at Cardinal Newman. Children past and present will know her, she will be missed and we all wish her a happy and fun filled retirement.

Having been in school a few times this term, we know that the children have been working hard and I would like to thank Mrs Burnham, Mr Flower and all the staff for their dedication and energy as always. School staff have been working hard to achieve the best for our children throughout the term, in classrooms and behind the scenes. Looking at the galleries of photographs on the school website for this term, we can see some of the many different activities the children have been doing.

We would like to thank those of you who have set up regular donations to our Governors Fund through CAF Donate. Your support helps us to provide important school enhancements which benefit the children and their learning. Having developed some of the school playground areas last year, our current focus is to support the school in purchasing 30 new 10th generation iPads (together with anti-shock cases for protection). This will enable a whole class to work, communicate and collaborate through digital means with an iPad each, and will be something available for all year groups to use. If any families wish to donate, the online CAF donate link is [here](#) and also in the weekly school newsletter.

The PA continues to arrange fundraising events, most recently the Christmas Fair last Sunday, and we'd like to thank you for supporting these activities which allow the school to continue providing many new resources. The new bike shed has been provided by the PA. Everything the PA does benefits the whole school community, and the governors would like to thank all the PA event organisers for the time and energy they give to our school.

The governors would also like to thank you as parents and carers for all the time you give to the school through helping your children with school activities and supporting school events. Your support is highly valued and important in making our school such a happy and productive community – a community of Learners, Believers and Friends as our mission statement says.

A Happy Christmas to you all.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Rice  
Chair of Governors