



# Canon Burrows Friday News



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Thank you for all the hard work you have put into creating angels for your windows. It has been lovely to see all the pictures of the angels and we hope they will bring joy to all those who spot them.

Thank you so much for to all those who have sent in gifts for our Christmas Appeal. Our display is overflowing with gifts and continues to grow daily.

This year we are collecting new unwrapped toys, books & gifts for children aged 0-14 years old, to send to the Wood Street Mission in Manchester, who will help struggling families provide their children with a gift this Christmas.

Details of the type of gifts needed can be found on the website: <https://www.woodstreetmission.org.uk/our-projects/christmas/> Please send in your donations by Thursday December 10th.



Our Posadas have begun their journeys this week. Posada is a Spanish word that means 'inn', and is a Mexican tradition during Advent. Today, we use nativity figures and these will be passed between children within the school community (after quarantining) during Advent and return on the last day of term ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas Day. Mary and Joseph's journey to the homes of children in our school reminds us that we need to make room for Jesus in our lives, homes and communities. The figures can sit on the sofa to listen to a story, sit up at the table during meal times, and even be put to bed in the spare room. They travel with a box with suggestions for prayers and activities, a candle and also a journal for diary entries and pictures about their activities to be slotted in.

## This week we have shown our Christian value of **perseverance**.

Jesus frequently encouraged his disciples to "endure patiently" the difficulties and obstacles they encountered and to persevere in the face of adversity. He himself trusted in God even when his enemies tried to stop his word and plotted his death.

This week, our school Twitter has been flooded with photographs of angels that have been made as part of our whole school homework task and placed in windows; we have also been making some in school. Some of these angels look incredibly intricate and will have taken a lot of patience and perseverance to complete. Thank you for all of your efforts; the local area is full of love and joy radiating from the angels in your windows.



## Attendance Award

Mr. Richardson & Mr.. Horne's Classes

## Tidy Cloakroom Award

Mrs Thompson's Class

Citizen of the week  
Darcie, Year 6  
For being a reading superstar.

# From the Office

Please could all parents/carers make sure that notifications are turned on on their SchoolComms App.

## Party Lunches

Today (Friday 27th November) is the last day to order your child a party lunch. Parents/carers of children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 should email the school office: [admin@canonburrows](mailto:admin@canonburrows) if they would like their child to receive a party lunch. Parents/carers of children in Years 3-6 will need to pay online directly to Tameside Council. [www.tameside.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.tameside.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

## Nursery Admissions January 2021

We have Nursery places available for children who turned 3 years old between September 1st 2020 and December 31st 2020, to begin in January 2021. Please contact the school office for an application form.

## Reception Admissions September 2021

Application forms for Reception places for September 2021 are being posted out today.

Contact details for the school office:  
[admin@canonburrows.co.uk](mailto:admin@canonburrows.co.uk)  
0161 330 4755

School have received a number of complaints from local residents about dangerous and unlawful parking around school at drop off and collection times. School would ask that you support the health and safety of our families and local residents by parking responsibly and walking to school where possible to prevent congestion.



Please can parents/carers ensure that their children are coming to school in suitable outerwear for the weather, especially now the weather is getting colder. All children will be outside every day, whatever the weather, so please make sure they have a warm, waterproof coat with a hood and sensible shoes.



During the first period of lockdown earlier this year, we provided the children with reading books, library books and often stationery sets. Please can all parents/carers have a really good look around at home and return any old school library books, school reading books that are not your child's current reading book and any school scissors that you may find, as soon as possible.

Thank you.



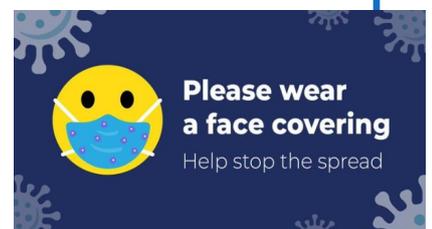
Reading reminder! Please remember to keep reading! This half term we will be looking out for children who are reading 5 times per week with parents – you can record this in your child's reading diary with a short comment. These children will receive a certificate at the end of the half term.

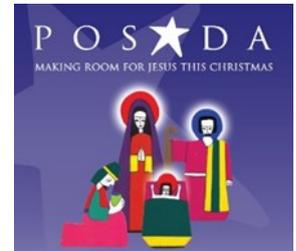


## School drop off & pick up

Thank you for your continued patience & support with regards to dropping off & collecting children from school. Please can you ensure you are following the guidance below.

- Please adhere strictly to your drop off & collection times & do not loiter outside the school gates.
- Maintain social distancing at all times during drop off & pick up.
- We kindly ask parents/carers to wear face coverings when they drop off & pick up their children.
- Please can parents/carers avoid waiting on the vets car park, as this is where their consultations are currently taking place.





Dear Parents/Carers,

In 2016, the Manchester Diocese joined forces with the Mothers' Union, who knitted a series of nativity sets for schools to use as part of their Posada. Over 80 schools asked to take part. This year Canon Burrows are celebrating this special time of Advent with a Posada

Posada is a Spanish word that means 'inn', and is a Mexican tradition during Advent. The tradition used to be that two young people, dressed as Mary and Joseph, travelled from house to house in their village to proclaim the imminent arrival of Jesus and request that they be given a room. Today we use nativity figures and these can be passed from family to family within the school community, during Advent and returning before the last day of term ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas Day.

Our Posada's journey begins with a discussion about the journey that Joseph and Mary would have had to make to Bethlehem from Nazareth, how they would have had to stay with friends/relatives/strangers each night, and so on, with pupils discussing if they would have been made to feel welcome, fed, where they would have slept, etc.?

Following this, Mary and Joseph will journey to the homes of children in our school. If they visit your home, the figures can sit on the sofa to listen to a story, sit up at the table during meal times, and even be put to bed in the spare room. They travel with a box with suggestions for prayers and activities, a candle and also a journal for diary entries, photos and pictures about their activities to be slotted in. Please add to this journal and return the Posada the following day. If you are unable to print your photos, you can email them to your year group address, e.g [Year6.20@canonburrows.co.uk](mailto:Year6.20@canonburrows.co.uk) for children in Year 6. You can also post your photos on Twitter, tagging @canon\_burrows and using the #Posada

As we are all aware, the circumstances this year are very different to what we are used to. Because of this, the Posada will not have the opportunity to visit as many homes. This will enable us to quarantine the Posada between its visits to homes and ensure everyone's safety.

The Posada reminds us that we need to make room for Jesus in our lives, homes and communities, somethings that feels even more important this year. Many thanks in anticipation of you offering your home as a host to remind us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and to remember those in the world who have no permanent home.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Thompson

Year 6 class teacher and RE Co-ordinator