



**St Joseph's**  
CATHOLIC ACADEMY



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## Dear Families,

The Christmas season is in full swing, and today has been filled with joy as we celebrated Rudolf's Pyjama Party! The children loved wearing their cosy PJs and enjoyed a movie with their favourite snugglies. A huge well done to our fantastic Year 1 and Year 2 classes for their wonderful Nativity Play. The children sang beautifully, delivered their lines with pride, and brought the story of Christmas to life in such a heart-warming way. We are extremely proud of every one of them. We are also very proud of the beautiful stars that our children created for the Christmas tree in Market Harborough—have you spotted any of the children's designs yet? We look forward to the week ahead and our final week of the school term, it is jam-packed with even more festive activities and meaningful moments to reflect on this special season **Thank you for your continued support! Mrs Dabbs**



**Friday 12th December 2025**

## Spotlight in school

### Menphys Carol Concert



We are incredibly proud of our school choir, who performed so beautifully at the Menphys Carol Concert last Friday. Their hard work and love of singing truly shone through and they represented our school with such confidence and joy. A special thank you goes to Mrs Thompson for her wonderful dedication in leading and supporting the choir—your commitment makes these moments possible. Well done to all of our talented singers for helping to make the event so special.

### Choir Christmas Events

This **Sunday, the 14th December**, our School Choir will be joining our Parish for our annual Carol Concert. All our families are warmly welcome to join us in **our Church from 3pm**. We hope to see many of you there. Our Choir will also be singing outside the indoor Market on **Tuesday 16th December** at approximately **1:30pm**. Please pop down to support our choir if you are in town.

### Attendance and Punctuality

A gentle reminder that our school day begins promptly at 8:50 a.m. We kindly ask that children arrive at their classes between 8:40 and 8:50 a.m. Please note that if children arrive after 9:10 a.m. we may not be able to guarantee their preferred meal choice. Thank you for your support in helping everyone to start the day on time.

## Save the date...

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

**Adoration and Benediction in Church at 11:30am**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Dinner in school**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**Music Concert in school - our musicians and choir will be preforming for their family and friends**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**Christmas Liturgy in Church at 9:30am followed by mince pies and refreshments in the Octagonal Hall**

### Christmas Dinner in School

A little reminder that our Christmas Lunch will be taking place in school on

**Wednesday 17th December.** To help

make the day even more festive,

we invite all children to wear their

**Christmas jumpers** to school on this day,

if they would like to. We're looking forward to a wonderful day filled with festive cheer!



## Catholic Life

### Advent Prayer

Loving God,

As we journey through this season of Advent, help us to pause and prepare our hearts for the joy of Christmas.

Fill our days with kindness, hope, and peace, and remind us to share these gifts with others.

Guide us to notice the small, special moments that bring light into our lives, and help us to walk with patience as we wait for the celebration of Jesus' birth.

Amen.



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