

ST REGIS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

15th Dec 2023



- YEAR 7 – ELENA
- YEAR 8 – ANSANA
- YEAR 9 – GURSHAN
- YEAR 10 – JAIMEE
- YEAR 11 – ELIJAH
- YEAR 12 – DILPREET
- YEAR 13 – VICTORY

It has been a thoroughly enjoyable week here at St Regis as we edge closer to Christmas. Our "12 days of Christmas" Rewards continues each day, on Wednesday we enjoyed a Christmas dinner together at lunch time, on Thursday we had a wonderful day of Roller Disco as our Autumn Term Rewards and on the evening had a very special Christmas Celebration Concert involving many of our students organised by the Creative faculty. Today we end the week with Christmas jumper Day so it has been a festive and colourful way to round off the week.

CHESTER – ANSANA
LICHFIELD – FINLEY
WORCESTER – NAUNIHAL
HOUSE OF THE WEEK
IS CHESTER!

A reminder that next week is our school Christmas service at St Michaels during the day and then a 12pm finish on Thursday to start the Christmas holidays. Friday 22nd is staff inset day so no students will be in school on this day.

Have a wonderful weekend.



Mr E Parry
Principal

AN EXCITING WEEK AT ST REGIS!



Rewards Roller Disco



School Christmas Dinner



Christmas artwork done by Miss Ball in Ms Bird's office!

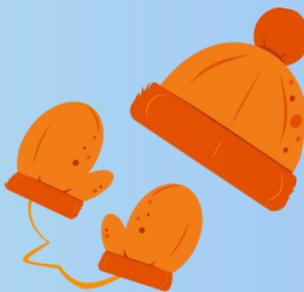


WINTER COAT PROJECT

The ROC is now accepting donations of coats, gloves, hats and scarves (adults or children's) for their second annual Winter Coat Project!

Please drop off your coats, Monday-Friday 10am-4pm to the Graiseley Families Hub, Pool Street, WV2 4NE.

If you know someone who would benefit from receiving a free coat please let them know they can collect a coat on Dec 16th 10am-5pm.



CITY OF
WOLVERHAMPTON
COUNCIL

PARENT GOVERNOR

St Regis is looking for a Parent Governor to join its Governing Body!

Please download the application form from our website.

**GOVERNANCE
AT ST REGIS**

SPORT AT ST REGIS



Our first game for the Year 7 basketball team on Tuesday night started off fantastic! Our pupils had a lot of possession of the ball and were dominating the game. As the match went on, they found their feet and were drawing at half time. Our pupils were showing great defense to ensure they kept on top and continued to build as a team. In the last quarter, down to the last minute, Aldersley score 2 baskets. Fantastic effort from our Y7's in their first match! Well done to all involved!

The Year 9 girls took part in a futsal competition at Aldersley stadium on Monday 11th December!

Teams from all the local schools were there with our girls taking part in 5 fixtures. Excellent participation from all five young ladies! Well Done!

From the Chaplain...

Two thousand years ago a young couple living ordinary lives in a small middle eastern country, looking forward with hope to married life together, were suddenly entrusted with a huge responsibility and thrust into a situation which would challenge their faith, putting them at odds with both their family and their community.

Mary would likely have been a teenager when her life took this unexpected turn. "Don't be afraid, Mary" announced the angel Gabriel, "The Lord has greatly blessed you!" And we have been considering this week the roller-coaster of emotions that Mary must have felt on hearing the news of her pregnancy and God's plans through her. I can't imagine that every day in the next nine months would have felt like a blessing. And yet, we are familiar with Mary's response and can only wonder at the great courage and trust she showed as she accepted the role given to her; "I am the Lord's servant, may it happen to me as you have said."

When we think of the challenges the young couple faced as they trusted in God and in one another: social exclusion, questioning and disappointment from their loved ones, a long journey whilst heavily pregnant, giving birth in a cattle shed, becoming refugees and having to flee the country with a new born child... it certainly puts the challenges we face in our lives into perspective, doesn't it!

I wonder if Mary and Joseph too had moments of asking, as we sometimes do, "Why would God allow this to happen to us? Where is he in all of this chaos in our lives?" In fact it can be very hard to step back from our day to day worries and see the bigger picture in our lives, and it is quite natural for us to ask "What is God doing right now in my story?"

With the hindsight we can see that God was very much at work not only in the lives of Mary and Joseph, but through them in the lives of the people of Israel, Palestine and humanity as a whole. God's plan was to bring unity, peace, hope, reconciliation and fullness of life to all who chose to accept it, and the young Mary and Joseph played a pivotal role in his plan.

That's all very well, but where are the peace, unity and reconciliation now? It is clear that God's plan has not yet come to full fruition. As we reflect on the story of Mary and Joseph and the roles they played, let us listen out for God's call to us too. A plan not just for a small nation of people who lived hundreds of years ago whose history is recorded in the pages of the Bible. Our God is alive now in the lives of people across the world: can you hear him calling you? Perhaps (and hopefully) not to give up your home and family and to bring up a child whose life will regularly be at risk; but nonetheless a plan for the blessing and well-being of humankind. Are you ready to listen, to trust him and to accept the role he has for you? I pray that we are!

