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## **"Starting children off through God's love and Jesus' teachings"**

**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023**

**Christian Value:** Hope  
**British Value:** Tolerance

### **Living out the School Vision this Week: (Y1)**

**Curiosity:** "I enjoyed finding out how fish can breathe under water, in Science," reported Sloane.

**Compassion:** "I helped my friend when they had fallen over," shared Archer.

**Resilience:** "I used counters to help with my maths work, I didn't give up," said Gianna.

**Worship quote:** "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful," *Colossians 3:15*

**Remember in our prayers:** those for whom Christmas is a difficult time.

### **Looking Back Over This Term**

This has been a productive and momentous term. We began with our Ofsted and SIAMS (Church School) inspections. I am so proud of the staff and the children for our outstanding outcomes. We have not, however, rested on our laurels, we continue to provide the very best for our children, every single day.

### **Gifts and Cards for Staff**

We have received lots of lovely cards and gifts. On behalf of the whole staff team, we thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity. It is never expected but always very much appreciated.

### **Christmas Events in the Last Week**

We have had a lovely, festive week, beginning with the Christmas tree trails and Y3, 4, 5 Carols/Christmas songs. Thank you for supporting these events. The children always love to show off their work, and afterwards we hoped you enjoyed the varied musical programme. It was lovely to see signing and hear the children singing in French and Spanish. The string players also performed very well. Thank you to all involved.

The children have enjoyed their parties. Thank you for your contributions to the party food and party drinks. Santa visited on Tuesday, leaving sacks of gifts for all classes.

Santa sends special thanks to his PTA elves for the children's Christmas gifts!

Due to the extremely windy weather, we held our Y6 Christingle at school, rather than Church, this

year. Rev'd Lisa joined us. It was good to learn about the origins and importance of this charitable, Christmas event.

### **Choir at St Paul's Church Carol Service**

Thank you to our school choir and Mrs Wilkinson for their performance at the Parish Carol Service. Their presence made the carol service extra special.

### **Breakfast/ Planet Play Bookings**

Bookings will be open at approx 4.00pm for 2024. Balances need to be cleared before new bookings can be made.

### **Uniform**

Please be reminded that it is new logo uniform only, from January. We still have a few swap shop items, please email the school office.

If families are experiencing financial difficulties, we can arrange staged payments for 2x jumpers or cardigans and 2x polo shirts, per child. Please speak to the school office. Old logo uniform will be sent for fabric recycling. Please bring it into the office.

### **Football & Fitness Sports Clubs**

These sports clubs will recommence on the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

### **School Diary**

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024: children return
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6, parents from those age groups welcome
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2.40pm: Golden Worship R, Y1&2, parents from those age groups welcome
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6, parents from those age groups welcome
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2.40pm: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2.40pm: Golden Worship R, Y1&2, parents from those age groups welcome
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb: parents evening
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb: parents evening
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb: Open classrooms and pancake races, 9.05am for R, Y1&2 and 2pm for Y3-6
- Mon 19<sup>th</sup>- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb: half term holiday.

Happy  
Christmas,  
Mrs Gilchrist

