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Merry Christmas!



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for your support this term – especially with your vigilance around illness. Let's hope we have a much healthier term in the new year.

We had a wonderful Candlelight service yesterday in church. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us – it made it very special to have such a full church. We were so proud of all the children who sang beautifully and spoke so well.

On behalf of all our staff I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

A Message from Philip

Dear School Family

CHRISTMAS EVE CRIB SERVICE

It has been lovely to have a normal term of popping in to school for worship with no lockdowns to interrupt things. The children have all engaged wonderfully.

On Christmas Eve at 4pm we have a Crib/Nativity Service in St John's. You are warmly invited to join us. The service lasts a bit under an hour. Children are invited to dress up as one of the characters from the nativity - Mary, Joseph, Shepherd, King, Angel, etc. - and we will all join in together as best we can. It's a lovely way to focus on the amazing story of the birth of Jesus the day before Christmas.

Whether I see you or not, I wish you the very best for Christmas and the new year.

Philip

Christmas Lunch

We said a huge thank you to Lisa and Gemma for cooking us such a delicious Christmas lunch yesterday – the roast potatoes were second to none!

One child in Year 1 declared, 'This is like real Christmas but in school!'

WARM WELCOME SPACE

Children and Family
Wellbeing
Service

Duke Street Neighbourhood Centre
Thursday 29th December

Highfield Neighbourhood Centre
Friday 30th December

Join us for light refreshments and a warm welcome.
Arts & Crafts available

10am - 3pm

No need to book.
Just turn up

Open to families

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Rainbow Hub will collect & recycle your
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Collecting Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th January 2023

To book your tree collection, fill out the online form at rainbowhub.org before 11th January 2023

We will be collecting trees in the following postcode areas:

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On **Monday 9th January** we will be holding a January Jumble. Please bring any unwanted toys, games, books or children's clothes to school – drop them in at the office, or in your child's class, any time after the Christmas holiday.

JUMBLE SALE

 Games

 Toys

 Books

 Children's Clothes



Tea & Coffee will be available



Items priced from 50p

Straight after School, then at 5:30pm
it's the PTA Meeting – All Welcome



Water Safety

Please click the link below to access resources around water safety in winter:
www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety by the Royal Life Saving Society (RLSS).

Dates For Your Diary

December	
Friday 16 th	Close <u>at normal time</u> for Christmas holiday. No Care Club this evening.
January	
Tuesday 3 rd	<u>School re-opens</u>
Monday 9 th	January Jumble – See poster above for details
Monday 9 th	PTFA Meeting – all welcome 5.30pm
Wednesday 11 th	Year 1 screening check
Thursday 19 th	Year 3 and 4 Athletics event – a team to attend from school – more details to follow
February	
Friday 10 th	School closes at normal time for the half term break
Monday 20 th	<u>School re-opens</u>
Thursday 23 rd	Year 5 start weekly swimming lessons
March	
Wednesday 1st	Wellbeing Wednesday – PTFA event for parents/carers.

And now, just as you accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.'



COLOSSIANS 2:6,7

Advent Worship



We lit the third candle for 'joy' and the fourth candle for 'love' this week. We thought about Mary and why God may have chosen her for the special role of being Jesus' mum. Today we lit the Christmas day candle as we decided no-one wanted to come into school on Christmas morning! We celebrated Jesus being 'the light of the world' and thought of ways we can shine our own light for others.

Our Vision

Together we inspire one another to live life to all its fullness, rooted and built up in Christ, so that every member of our school community can learn, develop and flourish, to live in the world as the unique individuals God created us to be.