



“Starting children off through God’s love and Jesus’ teachings”

Christian Value: Hope

British Value: Tolerance & mutual respect

Living out the School Vision this Week (Y1):

Curiosity: “The kings and the shepherds wondered where the baby Jesus was,” shared Rory.

Compassion: “The innkeeper let Mary and Joseph have the stable,” said Dulcie.

Resilience: “I kept going with my Christmas art work,” reported Reuben.

Worship quote: “Rejoice in hope, be patient in your troubles, be constant in prayer.” *Romans 12:12.*

Remember in our prayers: children and families who do not have a permanent home.

Nativity and Concerts

What lovely concerts and nativities we had this week! Thank you to parents for providing costumes and props, practising words and songs and coming to watch. Thank you also to the staff who have got the children performance-ready!

Carols & Coffee (or tea) Y3-6

This event is taking place on Monday 15th at 9.15am. There will be carols and instruments, from our children in Y3-6, as well as enjoying tea, coffee and mince pies, in the school hall. A maximum of **2x adults per family** only, because of hall capacity. Please bring cash for donations. Please enter via the hall door, from the playground.

Christmas Crafts R, Y1 & Y2

Come and support your child as they make decorations, on Monday 15th, at 2.30pm. A maximum of **1x adult per family** because of classroom capacity thank you. Parents are able to take their children home, if they wish, after this event. Please enter via the usual playground gates and class doors.

Christingle Service

Y5s are leading this service on Thursday 18th December. Children will be asked to bring a donation for The Children’s Society. Envelopes will be provided for Y2-6 and boxes (which can be made up in the shape of candles) will be provided for R and Y1. These should be in book bags. Parents of Y5 children are warmly invited to attend.

Christmas Parties

The R, Y1 & Y2 party is on Tuesday afternoon and Y3-6 is on Wednesday. Letters about party food

have been sent home this week. If you are able to make a food or drink donation, please send enough for 5 or 6 children. Children may come to school in their party clothes but please be aware of the weather conditions on the day.

PTA Christmas Raffle

5 fabulous Christmas hampers remain and will be drawn on the days prior to the Christmas holiday. An adult should collect from the office if you have the winning tickets. Today’s was 1300.

Opening of New Woodhouse Eaves Playground

The official opening will be on Sunday 14th December at 11am. The ribbon will be cut by a local benefactor (a surprise on the day). All families are warmly invited, and free refreshments will be available and there will also be a free goodie bag for each child.

St Paul’s Church Carol Service

This is taking place on Sunday 21st December, at 6pm. All families are very welcome. We are hoping that children who attend will form a choir to sing the first verse of ‘Away in a Manger’.

Changes to Breakfast Club and Planet Play

As per previous newsletters, due to on-going recruitment issues there are changes from January.

- Timings will be 3.30- **5.30pm** (not 6pm), Mon-Thurs. 4.30pm pick up still available.
- Planet Play will not operate on Fridays.
- Football & Fitness will operate a ‘Stay and Play’ session, until 5pm, on Fridays. No PE kit necessary.
- 50p increase in cost for Breakfast Club and 3.30-4.30pm Planet Play session.

Parents should be mindful that collection should at 4.30pm or **before or at 5.30pm** (Mon-Thurs).

School Diary

- Mon 15th Dec 9.15am: Y3-6 Carols & Coffees
- Mon 15th Dec 2.30pm: crafts (R, Y1, Y2)
- Tues 16th Dec: Christmas party R, Y1 & Y2
- Wed 17th Dec: Christmas party Y3-6
- Thurs 18th Dec 2.15pm: Christingle (Y5)
- Fri 19th Dec: break up for Christmas!

*Have a festive
weekend,
Mrs Gilchrist*

