



## STONE ST MARY'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

### 'Caring Growing Shining Together'

Dear Parents/Carers

This term is galloping away but children have all been incredible around school with their learning and progress. It has been great to share so much positivity with so many children.

The next two weeks are always crazy in school with so much going on but it is a privilege for us all to share this ADVENTure towards the special celebration together as a community.

Here we go!!

#### PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you to all parents who came along to hear about their children's learning at the recent Parent Consultation evenings – it was great to see so many delighted and happy parents. The staff really enjoy sharing the children's learning and progress with you. Thank you to those parents who considered having questions ready for the class teacher as this definitely helps the conversation to be more beneficial to both school and home. We know that this positive relationship between home and school helps all children to learn more effectively.

#### CHRISTMAS TROLLEY

The Christmas trolley will be out on the playground next week for donations to boost the Christmas stocks at Mary's Child for families who need a little support at this time.

#### NEW CURRICULUM WORKSHOP

Many thanks to the parents who attended the recent workshop to find out more about the new revived curriculum that we are now delivering across school.

Lots of positive feedback from parents who attended said that the information will help them to support their children at home.

In the New Year we will be launching a new website which will have all the details of the new curriculum on it.

Watch this space!!

In January 2024 there will be a number of dates for different year groups to come to an online safety workshop. This will be very informative around social media etc.... so please try and attend. More information will come out in the first few days of the New Year.

#### CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you to everyone who supported this charity. Stone St. Mary's raised around £450 which is a great achievement!



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Please donate the following items toileteries, tinned meat & fish, custard, rice pudding, Jelly, Angel Delight, cereals, rice that would be great.



### ATTENDANCE

**PLEASE** ensure that you telephone school before 9.00am each day of your child's absence so that we can record carefully the reasons why your child is not in school. If families do not call school with the reason for a child's absence then the absence will be logged as 'unauthorised' so make sure that we have a reason for absence on the system.

The attendance service may be notified if unauthorised absence is high and can lead to penalty notice.

### LATENESS

**PLEASE** also ensure that your child is in school before **9am**. We are concerned that a number of our children are consistently late, this means they are missing over time, a lot of important learning.

Many thanks for your continued support with this.



### CHRISTMAS FILM NIGHT

This event will take place on Monday 11th December from 3.30pm – 6pm. The children will get a chance to choose a film to watch and they will also be provided with a 'tea-time' snack.

Your child can be booked on to this event via Arbor – Trips – Christmas film night.



### SCHOOL NETBALL

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November our netball squad took part in their first match in the Dartford League. They lost 3-1 but they played well and showed excellent sportsmanship & passion. Roll on game 2!



### SCHOOL FOOTBALL

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 after school, some of our year 5 and 6's took part in the FA Cup matches. They all played with passion and determination. The girls had possession of the ball through the majority of the match. They showed great teamwork throughout their match. They managed to score 5 goals!!!



Following the girls' success, the boys had a challenge on their hands. They played as a team with great communication and perseverance on the pitch. Unfortunately, the boys lost 3 - 1.

A huge well done to all those that took part.



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## CHRISTMAS DATES etc...



Please find attached a list of all of the dates and events over the next week or so – make sure you have them all in your diaries so that no children miss out on anything.

We are all looking forward to our Christmas celebrations and hope that we can enjoy all of them together over the next two weeks.

Yours sincerely  
Mrs Jane Rolfe  
Headteacher



## Back to School

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January  
2024**

## Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Fayre last Friday. It was great to see so many families attending and enjoying the festivities whilst raising money for our church and school.

A special thank you to Father Christmas who spent time with us at our school and to the school choir who sang some great Christmas favourite songs!



## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

### & CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Don't forget to pay for your Christmas lunches on Arbor under meals so that your children do not miss out.

PLEASE wear your Christmas jumpers on this day too – donation of £1.00 to Save the Children charity as well please – Buckets will be on the playground.

Here's to a fantastic day with lots of happy smiles!

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