



STONE ST MARY'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank you all for attending all the Christmas events, nativities, etc, the children have loved being part of all the lovely celebrations.

I hope you agree that the staff at Stone St Mary's are amazing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff for everything they do – here's to a great 2025!

Many, Many thanks to all our Parents for your support and commitment, it is greatly appreciated and helps us to ensure the best outcomes for all our pupils.

We would like to wish all our families a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to welcoming the children back into school on Tuesday 7th January 2025.

Mrs Rolfe



PAST EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Fayre on Friday 29th November. 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!



The children all decorated the school Christmas tree on Friday 29th November, they all had a wonderful time, and the tree is looking fantastic.



Tuesday 26th November some of our children took part in a Boccia and Kurling event at Cobham Hall. The children learnt the rules of both games and then played a games after! Lots of fun was had throughout the morning! Well done to all of those that went!





On Wednesday 27th November saw 12 of our year 5 and 6 boys represent the school in the FA Cup (organised by Dartford FC) against Manor Primary. The boys were determined and excited for the match. By half time the score was 3 - 0 to Stone - this created lots of excitement not just for the boys but for the crowd that had formed. During the second half, the boys continued to push on and scored several more goals! The end result 8 - 1 to Stone! Well done to the boys who represented the school!





CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Pantomine

 On Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd December we had a theatre company come into school and the children enjoyed interactive shows of Aladdin, lots of fun was had by all.





Christmas film night

On Monday 9th December children enjoyed our Christmas film night; the children enjoy a movie and a festive snack. The children were all in the festive spirit and they all had a great time.





Christingle

On Friday 6th December Year 2 kicked off the Christmas celebrations at Stone St Mary's with their Christingle service. They visited the church, decorated a Christmas tree with baubles linked to the school values and the children sang our hearts out. They had so much fun making the Christingles and lighting up the church.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Year R & Year 1 Christmas productions

During their Christmas productions Year R and Year 1 sang and performed amazingly they all had a lovely time performing for all of their parents / family members.

Well done to them all!

At the end of the performances we held collections for the Baptist Model School Serrao Leone approximately £580.00 was raised we would like to thank you for your generosity.





Church services

On Thursday 19th December Year 3 & 4 in the morning and Year's 5 & 6 in the afternoon visited St Mary's the virgin church, Stone the children sung their Christmas songs and enjoyed all the festivities. Thank you to all parents who attended to support their children it really means a lot.







ATTENDANCE

Best class termly attendance

KS1's winner is Elmer Class.



KS2's winner is Eagles class.



Termly attendance winners are:

- Hollie M (Eagles class)
- Brandon Crowley (Meerkats class)

They won a cuddly toy each.

- Termly shiny tickets winners are:
- Zac D (Beetles Class)
- Sarah S (Foxes class)

They both won a scooter!

Well done to all the winners!





PARKING OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

Important notice - Emergency Exit area for Bluewater.

We have been advised by the Bluewater shopping Centre they will soon be issuing penalty notices to anyone parking in this Emergency exit area (pictured), the penalty notices will be issued automatically and will be sent to your home address (No yellow notice will be issued).

<u>NO VEHICLES</u> should be parked in this area at any time it needs to be clear should there be an emergency in Bluewater shopping Centre this area would allow access for emergency vehicles, and is in the interest of our community safety should there be the need to use

Other reminders about parking and driving protocols that we like all of our parents to adopt when dropping off and collecting your children in order to keep all of the children safe!

- 1) Please park in a legal bay and not where you should not park particularly across a crossing place!
- 2) Try to park further away from the school and walk in to reduce the traffic around school there are plenty of safe places to park a little walk from school.
- 3) Try to observe the unwritten rule of a one-way system in that we drive from St. James Road end and keep going that way up into Louvain Road so that cars are not needing to pass each other as much this helps the flow of traffic and is much safer.









Date	Event	Time	Who / Where
06/01/2025	Inset day (Children do not attend)		
07/01/2025	First day of Term 3		
13/01/2025	After – School clubs beginning		Whole School
15/01/2025	Turtles class	9.15am	
15/01/2025	Messy Church	3.15pm – 5.15pm	Please register via email.
16/01/2025	Parent workshop – Maths KS1 (YR, 1 & 2) – Further details to follow	9.00am – 10.00am 6.00 -7.00pm (online)	School hall Online

