

Bolton on Swale St Mary's Church of England Aided Primary School

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'To love, live and learn together'

Newsletter Friday 2nd December 2022 Our Christian value this half term is 'Peace'

Preparing for our Christmas Celebrations Well done to Class 1 and 2 who shared a wonderful Nativity Dress rehearsal on Wednesday with the whole school and our special invited guests from our local nurseries; Scorton Pre School, Little Learners and High Greenbury Nursery. We captured some highlights below. We will be performing to our parents and carers on Monday 5th December and Tuesday 6th December at 2pm.





Class 1 and Christmas Nativity Performances

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers (2 per family) to our performances on either Monday 5th December or Tuesday 6th December at 2pm in the school hall. Please enter through the playground gate. There are no physical tickets issued. Class 1 parents/carers are invited on Monday and Class 2 on Tuesday. If you need to come on a different afternoon please email Mrs Newton in the office (if you have not already done so) and she will organise seating for this. Friends of School will be organising refreshments and selling raffle tickets for our Christmas hampers.

Arrangements for the end of our Nativity Once your child has changed their costume you may collect them from their classroom door on the days you attend the performance. KS2 siblings may be collected then also. Children may stay in school until 3.30pm as normal if you prefer.

Last Day Carol Service in St Mary's Church on Friday 16th December at 2pm led by Class 3 and Class 4 and attended by the whole school

All welcome, no tickets or booking required.

Early finish for Christmas at 3pm On the last day, following our whole school Carol Service in St. Mary's Church, the children return to school for an early finish at 3pm.

Class 3 Parent Teacher Consultation reminder

A reminder that Mrs Hall and Mrs Dobson will meet with Class 3 parents on either Tuesday 6th or Wednesday 7th December after school. There will also be an opportunity to see your child's books. Please ensure you have booked your appointment by signing up in the office entrance area or emailing the office.

Well done to Class 4 on an excellent Parental Assembly sharing their learning this term with parents, carers and the whole school, including songs and highlights from their 2nd World War History topic.

Well done to Class 3 for a wonderful Class

Assembly Parents, carers and the whole school enjoyed sharing your learning across the curriculum including great work on The Stone, Bronze and Iron Age and some great French work.

Support for Children in Need Charity raises £261

Many thanks to everyone who supported this.

Friends of the School Auction of Promises raises

£1,011 to support new books in school.

A huge thank you to everyone who both organised, donated and supported our Auction of Promises. A fantastic effort, very well done!

Friends of the School Christmas Hamper Raffle

Donations FoS have sent home Christmas hamper raffle tickets in book bags. They will also be selling tickets at our Christmas events. **Please send any suitable Christmas themed hamper donations into the office by the end of Friday 9th December.** Bottles, chocolates, Christmas themed gifts.

Christmas Party Arrangements (see dates below)

On these days children are asked to bring party clothes to school to change into after lunch. We request donations of party food to be brought into school on the morning of the party. Class 1 and 2 teachers will put out party food request lists at their classroom doors from Thursday 8th December; please sign up. For Class 3 and 4 we request, savoury food from boys and sweet food from girls (small quantities). No nuts please due to allergies. Class teachers will discuss individual dietary needs with parents.

Diary Dates reminders to the end of term

A full list of term dates for the year are on our website.

Class 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity Performances

Monday 5th December and Tuesday 6th December at 2pm in the School Hall

Class 3 Parent Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 6th or Wednesday 7th December 3.50-6pm

Class 1 and 2 Christmas Party and visit to school

from **Father Christmas** Tuesday 13th December pm

Class 3 and 4 Christmas Party Wednesday 14th December pm.

Whole School Christmas Lunch Thursday 15th December.

Whole School Christmas Carol Service led by

Class 3 and 4 in St Mary's Church Friday 16th December 2pm. All welcome.

Early finish for Christmas on last day at 3pm.

Return to school Wednesday 4th January 2023

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

With my best wishes,

Nicola Dobson