



St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Friday 15th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy week at St John's. In every classroom I visited, the children were focused and working hard despite coming to the end of the term. I can see children and adults feeling end-of-term tiredness!

A huge thank you to Christ Church for your generous donation to our school.

Reception and KS1 Nativity

I am sure KS1 and Reception parents would agree with me that the nativity show was fantastic. The children made it look effortless. I felt especially proud to be part of the STJHV family this week. I want to thank the parents for helping their children learn their lines and the songs. A big thank you to the KS1 and Reception team for the work they put in to make the show so wonderful for us to enjoy.

Christmas lunch

Beverly, Janett, Tracey and Bella made a wonderful Christmas lunch for all the children and staff. It was delicious. Thank you to all who helped transform the dining room into a Michelin-star restaurant. We really do have a wonderful team who work incredibly hard to ensure our children receive the best!

Music concert

On Thursday, Emma, our music teacher, put on a concert to showcase what the children in KS2 were learning this term. The concert was fantastic - we have such great musicians in this school. It was wonderful to see the confidence and the passion in our children.

Packed lunch

I have noticed a number of children bringing in packed lunches that contain chocolates, crisps, and sugary drinks. Please send a healthy balanced meal. The children can bring a small treat (flapjack, small slice of cake). Please let me know if you have any questions.

School uniform

I would like your support in ensuring the children wear the correct uniform to school every day. A lot of children are wearing trainers and logo tracksuit bottoms. The children are allowed to wear black trainers on PE days. We have a huge amount of almost new uniforms in school. If you would like some, please ask the office.





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Final week

Next week is the final week of term, and a lot is going on at school. Each class will have their Christmas party. KS1 and Reception will be on Monday, the 18th, and KS2 will be on Tuesday, the 19th. The children can come to school wearing party clothes on their days.

Contribution to Christmas party food

Please remember to contribute to the children's Christmas party food. We request a £3 donation per child, payable on the school gateway app. Please come and speak to me or an office staff member if you have any questions.

The message of Christmas

Some of our wonderful parents have spent the day with the children from every class, showing them the real meaning of Christmas through the medium of art. Please look at the newsletter to see the beautiful light jars the children have made. Thank you for your generosity with time and resources to show our children the meaning of Christmas - Jesus is the light of the world.

Don't forget that school finishes at 1.30 on Thursday for all children.

We return on Monday, 8th January 2024

Key dates for next week

Monday 18th December – KS1 Christmas Party Afternoon (R, Y1 and Y2)

Tuesday 19th December – KS2 Christmas Party Afternoon (Y3 to Y6)

Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Service at St Augustine's Church 2.00pm (R to Y6)

Thursday 21st December - Carols around the tree 9.15am (R to Y6)

Thursday 21st December - Report Cards out (R to Y6)

Thursday 21st December - End of term 1.30 pm (R to Y6)

As always, thank you for your support. I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Ms H Khan
Head of School

