



'A Caring Christian Community Committed to Achievement'

Newsletter 20th December 2019

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COMPASSION COMMUNITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of yet another term with so much to celebrate, both in school and the wider community. It was lovely in Celebration Collective Worship today to reflect on all the learning that our children do outside of school – what busy lives they have!

We are thrilled that Key Stage Two children have represented St Mary's at North Somerset Sporting events this year and we have much more to come in the terms ahead! I am also very proud of our Key Stage One and Two choirs who have worked really hard to perform at two concerts. I hope the experience of singing in one of the country's best music venues made an impression on them. Of course there is so much more to mention including the wonderful 'share my learning' session that Conygar led last week where the children shared their learning with such pride and enthusiasm. I was particularly touched seeing some of our parents being the audience for children whose parents couldn't attend the event. Thank you. We have also seen some wonderful creativity across school as children have been busy making craft for the Christmas Fair. I am sure you will be impressed with the quality of the goods on sale.

As a Christmas gift to the children and staff, I have bought a goat from the Oxfam unwrapped scheme. So, if your child comes home saying that they have been given a goat – you will know what they mean! I hope the children feel really proud that they are helping people in a different part of our world who have so little. The children were particularly amazed when I explained that the goat's poo can be used as fertiliser and will help communities grow their own vegetables.

We are very much looking forward to 2020 and all the exciting plans that we have. Until then, on behalf of myself, our governors and the St Mary's team, we wish you all a very happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.



Dates for your diary:

Friday 20th December – Christmas Fair 5-7.30pm

Friday 20th December – END OF TERM

Monday 6th January – Start of Term 3



PE Kits

Please can all the children bring their PE kits back to school on Monday 6th January.

*A book is a gift you can
open again and again.*
—Garrison Keillor

The following reading champions celebrated with another tea party this week:

Max J, Honey, Summer, Jacob T, Zac H, Charlie, Lola-Rose, Amelia B, Sampson, Ned, William, Ellie B, Bella C and Isla S

We had so much fun sharing healthy (and a little less healthy) snacks and even toasted the amazing world of books!

After School Clubs with Jack:

Monday

Multi Sports

Tuesday

Arts & Crafts

Wednesday

Basketball

Thursday

Football

Friday

Gymnastics

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Meet another talented author.....

The Miracle of Jesus

The sun shone on the earth below,
Where not a single bit of wind was able to blow.

As Joseph led a donkey along,
The wind whistled a beautiful song.

Mary and Joseph looked for a room in Bethlehem that faithful night,
But soon they found that not a single room was in sight.

The only offer they could find was a lovely stable,
With nothing inside, not even a table.

In a manger Jesus was born,
Whilst the night slowly began to become morn.

3 Kings came soon enough with gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh,
They were soon followed by some shepherds who gave a lamb with the softest fur.

Eventually, people from far and wide came bearing gifts from the heart,
Mary was so pleased with all the people who took part.

So in a stable all forlorn,
Jesus the Saviour was finally born.

By Cerys (Year 6)

READING WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

We will be holding another reading workshop early in term 3 at a time which is hopefully more convenient for you.