



## St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery Newsletter – Issue 9 – 10/12/2021



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**This term's Christian Value is Compassion:**

**Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**

**Colossians 3.12**

### **Calendar events:**



December

11/12<sup>th</sup>

PTA - Sparkle Trail

14<sup>th</sup>

2:30 Nativity Songs outside - Little Acorns, Little Oaks, Year 1 + Year 2

17<sup>th</sup>

Last day of term. School finishes at 2.30

January

Tues. 4<sup>th</sup>

INSET 3

Weds. 5<sup>th</sup>

Pupils return

### **St Mary's Stars**

**Little Acorns: Brodee for completing 12 piece puzzles independently. Great concentrating**

**Little Oaks: Layla for being star of the week. Lexie for amazing reading**

**Class 1: Lola for becoming so independent and always putting her hand up and giving great responses.**

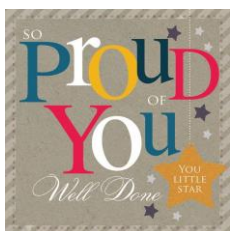
**Class 2: Willow for making amazing progress in her phonics**

**Class 3: Kizzy for her outstanding Christmas tree decoration**

**Class 4: Evie for using a map to locate mountains and hills.**

**Class 5: Elsa for persevering in maths and writing a beautiful piece of descriptive writing**

**Class 6: Layla for her amazing piece of persuasive writing**



### **DON'T FORGET**

The office will need to preorder meals from the caterers before the end of term for the first week back in January.

**Please order meals for the first week back by midnight on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.**

(Should you fail to order meals for January Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> your child will need to bring a packed-lunch).

### **End of Term Arrangements - A reminder**

Traditionally at the end of every 'big term' (Christmas, Easter and in the Summer) school finishes at 2:30 for children.



## Nativity

### The Magical Christmas Journey

Following an increase in positive COVID cases at school and following advice from UKHSA we are having to move to filming the nativity to share with parents, carers, brothers and sisters, grandparents and friends at home. Kindly a grandparent from Little Oaks has offered to record the production and this will be shared securely with parents next week. Additionally, the children will sing a small 20 minute concert with songs from the Nativity for parents and carers outside at 2:30 pm on Tuesday. We will ensure photos of classes are shared with parents and carers too.

It may be disappointing to have to change the way we watch the Nativity but necessary to ensure all are kept as safe as possible this Christmas time.

### Sparkle Trail

#### Maps available from the School Office

Enjoy a festive, outdoor walk around  
Writhlington with your friends and family.  
Visit all 6 'star stops' to find the letters and spell  
out a Christmas related word.



A few weeks ago children from Year 5 and 6 attended a football competition at Somervale school. They played with passion and determination showing resilience when play was hard. We are very proud of them.





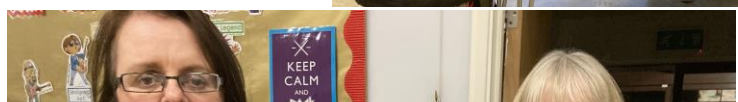
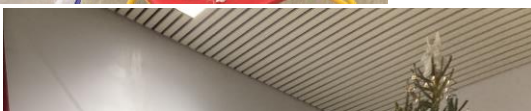
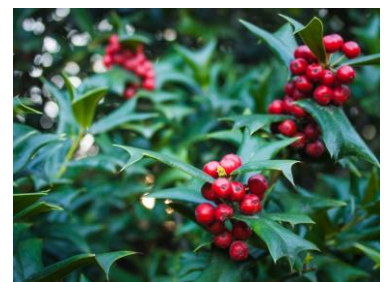
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### Christmas Bonanza

What a busy few weeks we have had at St Mary's. Huge thanks to the PTA who have 'dressed the school' and for their tireless commitment in organising fundraising and community events for all.

The wreath making was a huge success with over 30 wreaths being created last week. Thank you Lucy for teaching, helping, and encouraging us in our creations. It was lovely to see Santa at school. Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to visit St Mary's, ably helped by the glitter fairy and her elf helpers. All enjoyed Christmas dinner. I think the photos speak a thousand words!







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## COMMUNITY NEWS.....

# Brownies

For girls  
aged 7 to  
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Brownies offers girls the opportunity to try new things, make new friends and discover more about the world around them and themselves.

Find out more about Radstock Brownie Unit at  
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