



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Friday 9th December 2016

### Theme Days

Theme days are a key aspect of the curriculum at St Mary's. The children often dress up, and they immerse themselves in another time or place for a whole day. They love it! Two classes have had theme days recently: Y2 Florence Nightingale Day and Y3 Stone Age Day.



### Year 6 Art Workshop

Year 6 went to the art studio of one of our parents this week to explore a portrait project all about how we see ourselves and others. Mr Knight was extremely impressed with the children's questioning and with their thoughtful artwork. We will be displaying their work in the new year, so do look out for it.



### TERM DATES

School finishes at 1.15 on **Wednesday 21st December** (non-uniform day). Term begins on **Wednesday 4th January** at 9.00.

We won't authorise any additional holiday except in EXCEPTIONAL circumstances. Please make sure your holidays match with Father Christmas!



### Christmas Dates

**11th December**—Christingle Service at St Mary's church, including St Mary's school choir. The choir are sounding fantastic, so do come along and hear them.

**14th December** at 2.00—Carol Service in church\*

**15th December** at 1.45—EYFS Nativity

**19th December** at 1.45—KS1 Christmas Play

**20th December** at 1.45—KS2 Christmas Play

**21st December**—last day of term. We will be giving out awards and prizes for 100% attendance, and most improved attendance, so make sure you are here!

### \*Wednesday Collection Arrangements

On Wednesday, please collect ALL children from St Mary's Church.

- Children in F1 and F2 can be collected from 3.00
- Year 1 and Year 2 can be collected from 3.05
- Years 3—6 can be collected from 3.10

After school club will continue as usual.

Parents are all invited to the carol service at 2.00 and are welcome to stay afterwards for refreshments.

### Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone for all your help with the Book Fair and the Christmas Fair. All you do to support our school is hugely appreciated and part of what makes St Mary's so special.

Thank you too, for all your encouragements with our school promo video. It is looking great so far 😊

### Coffee Morning— Wednesday

All welcome this week for an end of term thank you.

This week, we will be continuing to think about LOVE in the Christmas story, especially how exciting love can be. We are all looking forward to the children's performances, which are already sounding and looking amazing. Please invite your friends and family to join us for these special events.

**Have a wonderful weekend-**  
Emily Norman, Headteacher

