



**St Nicholas**<sup>CE</sup>  
**First School**

learning and believing, growing and achieving

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Friday 7th December 2018

Dear Parents

The official count down to Christmas has begun! Christmas has certainly been the topic of conversation around school this week, classrooms have been decorated, early years children have seen the return of Santa's Workshop and there may have been some of Santa's elves up to mischief as well. Many children have also been talking about their daily Advent Calendars. On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December we saw the official start of the Christian celebration of Advent. We remind the children and ourselves that Christmas is an exciting time however, it is important that we do not lose site that Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. This week the children have learnt about Advent meaning 'coming', the period before Christmas where Christians prepare and remember the birth of Jesus Christ. During the advent period which ends on 24<sup>th</sup> December, the children will be reminded to be thankful and to enjoy the special celebrations with their friends and families.



This week Reception children have performed 'A little Bird Told Me'. Thank you to all of our families and visitors who came along to clap and will the children on! Also an enormous well done to all of our Reception pupils who performed to their grown-ups! It takes a lot of rehearsing in short bursts with our little ones and I think you will agree that the children were wonderful! A big thank you to all of the grown-ups at home and at school for supporting!

Tonight I hope to see some of our families at the Carols Around the Tree event in the village at 7pm. Our St Nics Vocal Club have been invited to come along and sing the songs that they have been learning in school with Mrs Carey. All children and their families are most welcome to attend and spur their peers on. Please do wrap up and keep your children close by you at the event which is always cold and very busy! The St Nics Vocal Club will be meeting at the Christmas tree at 6.50pm.



Finally, a reminder that next week is our Christmas Church service on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, Reception and KS1 will be at 9.30am and KS2 at 11.15am.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Miss Pugh  
Acting Head Teacher

#### Codsall Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

A reminder that Christmas Shoe Boxes will be collected on Friday 14th December, we ask that shoe boxes are not brought into school until Wednesday 12th December.

#### School Crossing Patrol Service Review

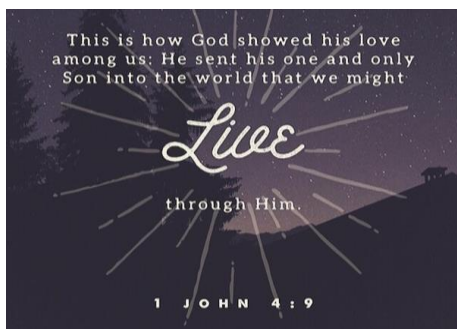
You may be aware that there is a review in process as to the future of the school crossing patrol service. For more information about please [click here](#).

A consultation is being held on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

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# Superstars of the Week!

Class/Award	Name	Reason
Nursery	Summer G	For always engaging in carpet time activities and doing super listening.
	Skye J	For always following Nursery rules and being a kind friend.
RB	Isabelle R	Excellent acting in the Christmas production.
RBP	Joshua R	Getting into character as a king in the nativity.
1M	Rosie H	For always being kind and helping everyone.
1R	Mia T	Excellent following instructions in literacy.
2W	Poppy W	Super work on Advent in her RE lesson.
2S	Sofia B	Working hard on her letter about the rainforest.
3SH	Jack R	A really positive attitude to learning.
3P	Joe H	Super science using shadows and a fantastically written newspaper report.
4H	Erin P	Amazing focus in exploring a story in the past.
4G	Samuel H	Excellent use of adverbials to modify powerful verbs.



## Nursery Christmas Sing-A-Long

Remember to book and pay for your tickets via Parent Pay.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am and 2.30pm



## Year 1 Nativity in a Shoebox

Year 1 welcome you to their annual Shoebox Nativity.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
1M at 9.30am-10.30am  
1R at 1.45pm-2.45pm

Don't forget your shoebox!

## Change to Dinners on 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

There will be no turkey dinner on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, options will be beef lasagna instead.

## Christmas Dinner Day on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December, children can enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. Christmas dinners must have been pre-ordered with Mrs Cooper in the kitchen.

**You are warmly invited  
to our Christmas Services...**

**St Nicholas' Parish Church (C of E)**

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	4pm	Christingle Service
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Christmas Tree Festival
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30pm	Carol Service
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	3pm & 5pm	Crib Service with DIY Nativity
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass
<b>Christmas Day</b>	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Christmas Family Communion

**St Peter's Church (C of E)**

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6pm	Carol Service
<b>Christmas Day</b>	9am	All-age Communion

**Holy Cross Church (C of E)**

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	10.45am	Christingle Praise Service
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4pm	Carols around the Tree
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	4pm	Family Crib Service
	11pm	Midnight Mass
<b>Christmas Day</b>	9am	Eucharist
	10.45am	Celebration Eucharist

**St Christopher's Catholic Church, Codsall**

Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	5.30pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	9.15am	Mass for Sunday
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	5.30pm	Family Mass for Christmas
	11.30pm	Carols and Christmas Midnight Mass
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11am	Feast of St Stephen Mass

**St Thomas of Canterbury, Tettenhall (RC)**

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6pm	Carol Service
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	11.15am	Mass for Sunday
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	3pm	Family Mass for Christmas
<b>Christmas Day</b>	10am	Christmas Day Mass

**Trinity Methodist Church**

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	Café Style Worship
	11am	Morning Worship
	6.15pm	Carol Service
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	11am	Morning Worship
<b>Christmas Eve</b>	11.30pm	Christmas Eve Service
<b>Christmas Day</b>	10.30am	Christmas Day Family Service