



# Saltaire Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We close for Christmas on **Friday 16th December**. The last day of term will be a non-uniform day and we are asking for donations of 50p from those who choose to be involved. In recent years we have supported the Childhood Eye Cancer Trust (CHECT), a charity very dear to us as they have done so much to support the younger sibling of two children in our school. Thank you for your kindness in Supporting our Children in Need Day on November 18<sup>th</sup> we raised a very impressive £417.

At the end of this term our school community will be saying a very sad 'Farewell' to Mr Collins. He has taught at our school since 2002 and has been a hugely valued member of our team. As well as teaching throughout Key Stage Two, he has coordinated PE for many years and developed very productive sporting partnerships with local secondary schools and has coached many of our teams. I know you will join me in wishing him the very best in the future. He will still be a part of our school community as he is a parent of a child in school.



I have some lovely news to bring you about Mrs Shillaker. She gave birth to a baby girl on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December weighing 7lb 7oz. Mother and baby are both doing well.

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Christmas Fair on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December and a huge thankyou to the Friends of Saltaire Primary School (FOSPS) who organised the event. We had a Harry Potter theme and the evening proved a real success, raising nearly £1,000. Thank you to the FOSPS for all their hard work over the year, organising the summer fair, discos and bun sales amongst others.

Billy Bantam was in school today. He was distributing medals and footballs following our penalty shoot out at the beginning of November. We raised £1,800 for our school with an equal amount going to supporting Bradford City in the Community. Our half of the money raised will be used to fund sporting enrichment opportunities for the children. I will bring you further news about this in the spring and summer terms.



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Last week, the children delighted us with their performances in our Christmas concerts. Well done to the children and staff who worked so hard to produce such enjoyable events. An enormous thank you to Mr Whitehead who produced and directed both concerts. Our Harry Potter themed 'Festival of the Champions' ensured three magical concerts. Foundation and Key Stage One performed 'The Sleepy Shepherd' and delighted us with their beautiful singing and wonderful storytelling. A huge thank you to all the year group teams who produced their very own special contributions for the concert. A thank you must go to Mr

Burnett who played for all five of our concerts.

During our assembly on the last day of term we will be celebrating Christmas achievement. We hope you will be able to join us for this Saltaire Primary School traditional event which marks the end of term. I hope you are in good voice as we ask parents and carers to take a collective part in singing the Twelve Days of Christmas as well as each year group.



It is my privilege to be Headteacher of such a wonderful school with such dedicated, enthusiastic, and caring staff and such wonderful children. I would like to thank them for all their hard work and commitment over the last term. Thanks also to parents, carers, governors and all the people who have helped in school and supported us.

On behalf of the staff and governors I wish you a Happy Christmas and hope you have an enjoyable break. School begins again on **Wednesday 4th January** and I look forward to seeing you then.

Kind Regards

*Sally Stoker*

Mrs Sally Stoker