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Governors' News

Salway Ash achieves OUTSTANDING grade

Following our **Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS)** at the end on November, we were thrilled to receive an overall **Outstanding** rating and be graded as Outstanding in all four areas of scrutiny. Staff, parents and governors all contributed to the success. Special mention must also go to the children, who the inspector was hugely impressed with, Rev Jo Neary, who has made such a valued input to the Christian ethos of the school and our Head Teacher, Mrs Crew, who has worked tirelessly for over a year to ensure that the school was ready for the inspection. Very well done to all!



School Games Mark PLATINUM Award



The **School Games Mark** is a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress. An application is submitted by the school each year and is graded against that year's criteria, which determines your level of achievement: bronze, silver or gold. The **Platinum Award** was launched earlier this year as an extension of the School Games Mark to reward schools who have maintained **consistently high standards** with their school sport provision. As part of the extended application, the eligible candidates, who had achieved five successive gold awards, were asked to submit a detailed case study along with a supporting paragraph from their School Games Organiser (SGO). Salway Ash is thrilled to have achieved the Platinum Award as one of only 104 schools in the country to do so. Many congratulations to the school and especially to **Miss Christopher**, our PE Co-ordinator.

School Nativity and Carol Service

Our KS1 Nativity this year was themed 'Children of the World'. It featured the traditional nativity story the children are so familiar with and, in addition, incorporated the culture and traditions of other countries around the world and how each celebrate Christmas. The children were amazing performers, speaking and singing out clearly and loudly for all to hear. Thank you to all who put in so much effort helping the children to learn lines, providing costumes and of course turning up on the day to enjoy their production.



This was followed by our KS2 Carol Service in Holy Trinity Church., Salway Ash. Always a wonderful way to end the term, this year's service included three instrumental solos, a beautiful selection of choir performances lead by Rev Jo Neary and wonderful reading and singing from all the children. The retiring collection was held for Julia's House, raising £100.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR