



THE BATT C.E. SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

Infant Nativity

The Infant classes have been busy practising their parts of the Nativity within their bubbles for the last couple of weeks and this week they were recorded. We will be making it available as a whole on DVD in the next week or so. Further information will be given out about how you will be able to purchase a copy.

BSA Christmas Crafts

A big Thank you to Rachel Pollard for organising the BSA Christmas Crafts event yesterday evening. I hope those of you who joined her online had a fun and creative time!

Rev'd Ross Meikle

Many of you will know Rev'd Ross and all our children will know him well from Collective Worship, either in person or via Zoom. Ross will be leaving Witney in the new year to begin a new role as a vicar in Reading. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all he has done to support our school, not only in leading our Collective Worship, but also as a governor for the last three years. I am sure you would like to join me in wishing him all the very best in the future.

Christmas Lunch

We are looking forward to our Christmas Lunch, with a difference, next Wednesday. It will be lovely to see the children in their Christmas jumpers on that day.

Christmas Message from the Church

The Witney Benefice would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas! We are sorry not to be able to welcome you to our churches for our usual carol and crib services, but we will have carol and crib services available for access via the internet. Our carol service will hopefully be available from Sunday 20th December and our crib service will be available from Christmas Eve. We will also have a live service on Christmas Day, accessible via Zoom. For details of where to find links for the services, please visit the 'Christmas Services' section of our website: www.witneyparish.org.uk.

We also have a Christmas tree and handmade stable/crib outside St Mary's Church, so do come to visit if you are in town – both have lights, so are best seen after dark!

Witney Churches have organised a Christmas story walk with eight places to visit in Witney as you explore the Christmas story and photo clues to help you find each one. For more information, please visit: www.witneychristmas.org.

Once again, a very happy Christmas to you and your families!



Buying Uniform on ParentPay

From January all our school uniform items will be available to purchase via ParentPay. This will replace the current system of paying by Bank Transfer. A ParentMail with more information about how to order and pay for uniform on ParentPay will be sent out at the beginning of January.

Finishing Times Next Friday

Please be reminded that the departure times at the end of the day will be an hour earlier next Friday, the end of term. For example, if your child normally leaves school at 2.30pm, their departure time will be 1.30pm instead. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

As we reach the final week of term, I would like to thank you again for your support during this most challenging time. I sincerely hope we will be able to return to some normality in the new year in terms of restrictions etc, but we may of course have to be patient with this. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Chris Payne
Headteacher

