

"She will give birth to a son. You will name him Jesus. Give him that name because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew 1: 21

Next week the Christmas theme continues with parties, our Christingle Service, our Christmas lunch and then finally, on the last day, carols round the Christmas tree. We hope you enjoyed the children's Christmas Productions – thank you for your help in supplying costumes and encouragement, but a big 'thank you' to the staff for all their directing, choreographing and producing skills. The children have worked so hard this term – please look out for the end of term class videos! We will text you when they are on the website.

Key dates for the term

17th December – Reception and KS1 Christmas Party
18th December – **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE at St Stephen's Church for KS2 - 6.30pm**
18th December - Reception trip to the theatre to see 'The Gingerbread man.'
19th December – Christmas lunch
20th December – BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS
7th January 2019 – Back to school
10th January – **Year 6 Tudor Banquet**
11th January – Year 5 and 3 start swimming
15th – 18th January – **Epiphany Prayer Spaces in school**
16th January – **Cornwall Music Hub showcase concerts 6.30pm and 7.30pm**
15th February – School closed for Parent Consultation Day
18th – 22nd February – Half term
7th March – KS2 trip to see the Birmingham Royal Ballet perform Beauty and the Beast at the Theatre Royal
15th – 20th March – Scholastic Book Fayre. If you think you may be able to help please see Mrs Dunbar
***WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL** – **KS2 PASSION PLAY AT ST NICHOLAS AND ST FAITH CHURCH at 6.30pm**
21st May – M and M Theatre production for KS2 – The Hobbit
6th June – **ROYAL CORNWALL SHOW FOR KS2**
24th – 28th June – Year 5 trip to Heatree
3rd July – Provisional class move-up day (subject to Year 6 transition day)
10th July – Meet your child's new teacher presentation from 3.20pm
24th July – End of summer term

The Christingle is taking place at 6.30p.m. on Tuesday, 18th December at St. Stephen's Church. All the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 take part in this service. It is one of the most popular events in our school calendar. All parents, grandparents, friends, etc. are warmly invited to attend. KS1 children are invited to attend the Christingle and sit with their parents. We will be going to church to practise on Tuesday morning and, as the weather is so unpredictable, all children will need to have a waterproof coat in school every day. The children will need to arrive at the church, in their school uniforms, for 6.15pm so they can get to their seats.



Here are a few photographs of the children during the dress rehearsal on Tuesday. The children really enjoyed watching each other's performances.



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

We know that a number of families have been enjoying the new **Family Services** being held at **St Stephen's Church** on the first Sunday of the month at **10.00am**. The next Family service will be on the **6th January** with a theme of **Epiphany**. We would like to invite the children to bring a present they have received (not too big!) to show everyone during and after the service. Mrs Green will be at the service and will need some volunteers to help her! We hope you will be able to come along. ☺



With the Christmas Productions over we would like to thank everyone for the wonderful comments about the children. We are incredibly proud of them, as we know you are. Only four days of the autumn term left and we still have lots to do before we break up!

Do you know people who may be on their own this Christmas, or families for whom Christmas may be a lonely time? If so there is an opportunity for anyone who may be lonely this Christmas to join a traditional Christmas Day meal at the Saltash Baptist Church. It starts at 12 noon and finishes around 2.30pm. Please email info@saltashbaptist.co.uk for further details or if you know someone who could be invited. Thank you.

Please note that from 7th January school dinners will increase to £2.36. This still represents excellent value for money. This increase will be applied to ParentPay accounts. Thank you.

