



# Stoke Gabriel Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for bearing with us in Lisa's absence. She will be back with us after half-term. In the meantime we have borrowed Abbie from the Academy finance team to help us out for some of the time. Lisa is the only one of us who knows how to set up the newsletter so there will be no newsletter until her return. We have no office cover today so are a bit stretched across the school. There are a few important reminders for you:

- All Christmas card orders need to be handed in to the office by Monday the 14 of October.
- Your child should have brought home a new menu for after half-term
- Next Wednesday afternoon is our first Community Cafe of the year starting at 2.30pm
- Next Friday is our Harvest Festival at the church, starting at 2pm. After the festival we would like to invite you all back to your child's class for a slice of cake and a chance to see their learning before the half-term break.
- Spiders will be starting their swimming lessons after half-term on a Tuesday morning. We have reviewed the swimming sessions and have decided to use more of the school budget to pay for the swimming. This means that we will be asking for a contribution of £20 pounds from parents for five swimming sessions, which is much cheaper than last year. We hope to get the paperwork out to Spiders next week. Butterflies will be swimming after Christmas.

I hope you and your families have a restful weekend.

Mr Medd

*I have also been asked to pass on the following message:*

*Stoke Gabriel Parish Council met last night and the crumbling wall between Church Walk and the playground was discussed.*

*It appears that some children continue to climb over the wall - and some parents lift children - mainly to save a few paces walk to use the gate!*

*The Council is by no means blaming any child / parent - but wondered whether you could maybe get help to the message across, in any communication / newsletter that the wall is fragile and should not be used in that way. Any help you can give us would be greatly appreciated*

*Many thanks*

*Karen*

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