



We come to the end of a very busy term, with lots of events and achievements for the children to celebrate. Well done children! I would like to thank you parents, for your continuing support this year.

### Attendance

I would like to congratulate the children on good attendance achievements for this term. Attendance for our school is in line with schools nationally. Well done children and a huge thank you parents for supporting the attendance of our children and understanding how important attendance is. We aim to continue with good attendance in 2017.

### Safeguarding

As a school we have a duty of care to all our children and ensure we are safeguarding all pupils. If you have any concerns or worries, then please come and speak to myself who is the Safeguarding Lead Officer or Mrs Holden who is the Deputy Safeguarding lead. Other wise, Mr Padaton, our Learning Mentor is available for you to talk with. Please be assured that as a school we will do our up most best to support you and your family in the best way we can .

### Safety

Please do not park on the Zig Zag lines on Messenger Road, the signs guide us when we are able to park on the Zig Zag lines, please check them. We do not want the traffic wardens giving fines. Please ensure that you do not park in front of residents drives. There has been a number of times where residents have tried to leave their property and cars have blocked their drives. Please ensure also that when you dropping your children off that they enter the school safely.



### Christmas Productions

The Christmas productions this year have been marvellous! Well done to all the children and a thank you to all the staff for organising the various plays and concert. The children have thoroughly enjoyed being involved in the productions and I know you agree, the singing has been spectacular! Well done children.

### The School Choir

A huge well done to the school choir who were involved in visiting Asda and the home for the elderly. The children sang beautiful carols and were complimented by so many people for their lovely singing. In the next term the children will be preparing for The Young Voices competition. Well done children.

### Christmas Jumper Day

We are inviting the children to join us wearing a Christmas jumper, hat or any items of seasonal clothing for our Christmas dress up day. This will be on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.



**Dates for your Diary**

Friday 16th December 2016— Children break up for Christmas holiday.

Tuesday 3rd January 2017- Teacher training day. School is closed to children.

Wednesday 4th January 2017—School opens for the new term and children return to school.

Monday 9th January 2017— Swimming commences for Y4



**Term dates for 2017– 2018 Autumn Term 2017**

Monday 4th September 2017: School reopens to children

Wednesday 18th October 2017: Children break up for Half Term

Thursday 19th and Friday 20th October 2017 : Teacher training day.

Monday 30th October 2017: School reopens to children

Tuesday 19th December 2017: Children break up for Christmas Holidays

Wednesday 20th December 2017 : Teacher training day.

**Spring Term 2018**

Tuesday 2nd January and Wednesday 3rd January 2018 : Teacher training days

Thursday 4th January 2018: School reopens to children

Friday 16th February 2018: School closes for Half Term

Monday 26th February 2018: School reopens to children

Thursday 29th March 2018: School closes for Easter Holidays

**Summer Term 2018**

Monday 16th April 2018: School reopens to children

Monday 7th May: School Closed: May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 25th May 2018: School closes for Half Term

Monday 4th June 2018: School reopens to children

Friday 20th July 2018: Children break up for Summer Holidays

On behalf of all the staff and governors of St Philip's Catholic Primary School, I wish you a very happy Christmas and new year.



Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. Please keep it in a safe place for future reference.

*Mrs Hinton*