



Dear Parent/Carer,

We wanted to let you know that we are committed to making Christmas feel as 'normal' and special for our school community as possible, whilst keeping everyone safe. We know that things have looked a bit different this year and we appreciate all of your support, patience and understanding.

#### **Christmas Performance**

Our P1 pupils and our upper school pupils will be recording a Nativity show for us this session – Rock the Baby. Those of you who have been with us for a while will recognise this as the Nativity our current P7s performed when they were P1 pupils. In place of our community performances, we will be sharing the recording with our school community online instead. The rest of our pupils will feature in a special Christmas Themed video also. We will send you details of this nearer the time – if you haven't already returned the photo consent for your child, please do so as soon as possible so that we can get them on screen.

#### **Care Home Christmas Cards**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> December, we will be putting up our school Christmas Tree. We have liaised with local care homes and have reached an agreement to send them quarantined Christmas cards from our pupils to remind them that as a community, we are thinking of them. We will ask pupils to design a card for them at home as part of December's Home Shared Learning (we will provide the card and envelope) When they have finished their card, they can bring it in to school, pop it in the post-box and we will quarantine it before sending it on. Please return cards no later than Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

We know it is disappointing, but we ask that **pupils do not bring Christmas Cards** to school this session for each other as due to the volume, we would not be able to quarantine and process these safely throughout the school. We appreciate your co-operation with this.

#### **Christmas Lunch**

We are just finalising our Christmas Lunch arrangements with our catering staff and are delighted that we will be able to make this work this year – we will confirm the date and options as soon as possible but it will be during the week commencing Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

On this date, we invite everyone in our school to come dressed in their Christmas Jumper, Santa hat, reindeer antlers, tinsel or whatever makes you feel festive! We hope that with everyone in St David's being on the nice list this year, Santa himself may make a special virtual appearance to our classes today. Santa and his elves are working on some Home Shared Learning bags for pupils to take home and enjoy with their family - these will include some of the type of activities that we started to introduce at our Christmas Fayre last session. We really hope you enjoy them and share these with us on Seesaw. We also have a special treat for all of our pupils. Usually our wonderful Parent Council organise a special treat and take us to the theatre for a Christmas Panto but unfortunately that can't go ahead due to the ongoing restrictions. Instead, we have booked an online Panto for our pupils to enjoy from the safety of their own classrooms. We will also provide juice, crisps and a sweet treat for them all to enjoy.

Please remember that on the 18<sup>th</sup> December, school will close at the slightly earlier time of 2.30pm.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Linda Berry  
Head Teacher