



St. George's CEP Newsletter

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'Bringing faith and education together'



Our value this term is **COURAGE**

Be strong, be courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the lord your God will be with you wherever you go - Joshua 1:9

It has been a long and challenging journey for us to get to the end of term but here we are. Now we hope and pray that we all stay safe and well and spend some time with our families in what will no doubt be a very different Christmas for us all.

Guidelines for working safely in schools has provided us with some challenges to try and ensure we had some festive 'Christmassy' times. But I'm always amazed by how creative teachers are and quickly learn new skills to try and do what we can in the best interests of the children. We have still managed a delicious Christmas lunch, Christmas jumper day, festive hats, class Christmas parties, get Dragon Post deliveries and there's been much more in individual classes.

Of course the biggest change this year was us not being able to put on any live Christmas performances for you to attend this year. By now I hope you've been able to see the Oak Class nativity – filmed in different school locations with real fires for the shepherds, an outdoor stable scene in 'Bethlehem' and it even snowed for the dancing angels! Or maybe your child is in Key Stage 1 where the children shared the joy and meaning of Christingle or even in Key Stage 2 where each class contributed to a Christmas Carol service.

It may be different for us but the children thrive in the modern technological world and were not daunted by being in front of the camera and giving something back to you.

Don't worry if you missed them, or maybe you want a longer treasured keepsake as they will all be able to be purchased in the new year!

All in all it has been an exhilarating and 'of course' exhausting couple of weeks for all concerned in our school family but fun too. Now we can look forward to the Christmas holidays with our own families! On behalf of the children and staff at St George's, I would like to wish you all, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Rye



Here are a selection of photos from our Christmas School festivities...



Don't forget!

- We return on **Monday 4th January 2021**- gates open 8.30am for our first drop off
- PE days will remain the same day of the week in term 3 with Sycamore joining in with PE days being on a Wednesday and Hazel Class starting Forest Schools at school on Friday 8th January (weather permitting!) – this will be in place of PE
- Oak Class revised Flu Nasal Spray date is Wednesday 6th January
- Chris Spring will be back the first week of term to resume his individual guitar lessons

Respect

Courage

Kindness

Forgiveness

Hope

Honesty

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