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Dear Parents / Carers,

Wow we are nearly there ...Christmas is only just around the corner and the children have had a fabulous few days. We are SO proud of our EYFS and Year 1 children with their wonderful Christmas Production of 'Everyone loves a baby'. The singing, dancing, narrators and actors were brilliant!

We will get together next week as key stages and enjoy a Christmas film as a treat for them all. We are saddened that we will not gather in the Church this year, but Rev Sweeting will lead a Christmas service for us in school and in the New Year, we have meetings planned to try to find some resolve for future services at Church. Thank you for your understanding and support with this.

Our Key Stage 2 children have been incredibly generous and taken on the true meaning of Christmas, by bringing in a food donation for AGAPE, our local food bank. Instead of taking an advent gift, they have been giving one. Thank you.



Attendance:

We are delighted that our attendance figures remain above average, which is a good indicator that the majority of our children are receiving the regular and consistent education that they are entitled to. We will be rewarding those children with 100% attendance since September, with a badge that they can wear with pride on their uniform. Unfortunately, we still have some issues around lateness; we have been advised that from January those children arriving after the register has closed will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. If this continues on a regular basis, a Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued, which may incur a fine. We hope that you will work with us to ensure that we do not have to follow this given guidance, by ensuring that all children arrive in school by 8:55am before the gates close.



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Bible Garden

We had our 'Bible Garden' officially opened and blessed by Rev Sweeting yesterday and we are looking forward to the spring, when the many plants with their biblical origins will begin to flower.



Open Door Policy

We all work hard to maintain our open door policy, where any issues that arise are discussed face to face. It is always a pleasure to hear the positives, as well as the negatives, which many of you take the time to share with me and I thank you for that. Sadly, there have been grievances aired over social media recently, which has meant that we have been unable to resolve anything, but it does cause distress when unpleasant comments are made. Please can we urge you to come into school to speak to us, so that together we can resolve any issues that arise.

Midday Supervisor vacancy

We are currently looking for relief Midday Supervisor staff, if you or anyone you know is interested, please see the school website for details.

We would like to wish you all a happy and fun filled Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all again on **Monday 6th January 2020**

With warm wishes for a happy Christmas and healthy New Year,

Mrs T L Vayro

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