



Season's Greetings from GMSJ Primary School

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Friends of GMSJ,

We have sung, acted, danced, played pass the parcel, made Christmas cards, been to the pantomime, worn our fancy clothes, eaten Christmas lunch, partied, delivered cards, eaten mince pies, made Christmas crafts and , of course, celebrated the birth of the baby Jesus! This term has been a whirlwind of activity, filled with learning, laughter, and growth. Our children have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and curiosity, and we are incredibly proud of their achievements. The Christmas spirit has truly permeated every corner of our school.

Christmas can be a difficult time for some, and it is important to be mindful of those in our community who may be struggling. The festive season can highlight feelings of loneliness, isolation, or financial strain for many individuals and families. As we celebrate with our loved ones, let's also remember those who may need extra support and kindness during this time.

Miss Gallagher is due to have her baby at the end of January and, although she hopes to return for a few days in the new year, this may be her last day in school. Babies are unpredictable things! The children in Year 3 have met, on many occasions, the lady who will be teaching them until Miss Gallagher's return. She is called Miss Travis. A thorough handover has been completed and , as I said, Miss Travis has been into school many times in the run up to her becoming the class teacher.

Miss McEnnerney will be with us in the new year teaching Year 1, as she has this half term.

Mrs Latif, Mrs Ruane and Mrs Hollas are still away from us at the moment. We send them our love and pray for their return to our school family when they are ready.

And finally some thank- yous. To everyone who has so graciously bought the staff a Christmas gift - the staff room has been adorned with sweet treats. Also, to the family who have donated a selection box for EVERY child in school - THANK YOU. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you to you all for your continued support throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming our children back in January for another exciting term of learning and adventure.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

From Mrs Underwood and all the staff at GMSJ



Good News Page



Jasmine in year 6 winning a medal and a trophy at a dancing competition.



We were very lucky to receive a grant from the Neighbourly Charity to help us arrange some essential food hampers for our school families. These are some of the parcels we were able to put together.



A few pictures from the KS1 Nativity 'Baubles'. Both performances went well and we were happy to see so many parents turn up to see their children on the stage.



Medal winners

Sam	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing about William Shakespeare
Abdul	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing
Emily	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing
Noah	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing
Amelia	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing
Penelope	Year 6	for brilliant biography writing
Zayan	Year 5	for perfect persuasive writing
Umara	Year 4	for super sentences
Sara	Year 4	for super sentences
Leo	Year 2	for fantastic writing about a troublesome fairytale

