



# Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School

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*"And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7*

03 December 2021

Dear Parents,

We have truly entered the Christmas season! The children made their Christingles on Wednesday. Each child had a bag provided by the Church with the resources so that they could make and carry their own Christingle to the services yesterday. The children thoroughly enjoyed making the Christingles.

The services, led by Reverend Sally, went well and helped us focus on preparing for Christmas. The children handled their Christingles sensibly and stood to sing *Away in a Manger* very well. They all looked beautiful. Thank you for the generous donations to the Children's Society. The present total is £288. Several more donation boxes have come into the school office since the service. If anyone would still like to contribute, please do send your contributions into school.

The services were well attended. I hope the parents and carers at the service enjoyed it. There is a news item on the school website with some photographs for you to enjoy.

This week Year 1 began their week with a trip to Windsor Castle. They are learning about castles and took the opportunity to go and find out about our local area. The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit and Miss Horth has prepared a news item which is now up on the website. Thank you to the parent volunteers who supported this trip and to Miss Horth and the Year 1 team for organising the day.

The school has suffered this week with a steep rise in Covid numbers across the whole school. In some areas this has also impacted on staff numbers. Thank you to the many of you who have responded to the request to the heightened measures we are adopting. As you will have seen from the letter that went out earlier this week from *Achieving for Children*, numbers of cases among the school population is two to three times higher than that of the general population of the borough. We are working hard to keep the school open and keep our environment as safe as possible for staff and children.

The Covid situation is changing daily. I will be assessing the situation on Monday and making a final decision on whether our Christmas events will be able to go ahead. If we are going ahead, tickets for the Nativity will be going home on Tuesday. The Key Stage 2 event on Thursday 09 December is not ticketed and all parents and carers from Year 3 and 4 are welcome to attend.

On Friday 03 December, again all being well, TSSSA will be hosting the Christmas outdoor market. There are several information leaflets coming home tonight concerning the event.



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One final note, we are pleased to be able to announce that our Before School Care option is now available, from January 2022, Monday through to Thursday. A separate booking form will be sent out on Monday.

Kind regards,

*Louise Lovegrove*

03 December 2021	TSSSA Outdoor Christmas Market	
08 December 2021	Nativity – Reception, Year 1 & 2	1.30pm & 6.00pm
09 December 2021	Christmas Service – Year 3 & 4	2.30pm
17 December 2021	End of Term	3.15pm
04 January 2022	In Service Training Day	
05 January 2022	Pupil Term Starts	



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