



# Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School

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*For unto us a Child is born,  
Unto us a Son is given;*

20 December 2024

Dear Parents,

Last week ended with the wonderful TSSSA and Year 4 Christmas Fair. This was a great event. Year 4 children did a fantastic job at managing stalls and many parents worked hard to set the fair up and keep it running for the afternoon. Everyone enjoyed getting together, drinking mulled wine and enjoying the very Christmassy atmosphere. Huge thanks go to the team of people who set everything up, helped during the afternoon and stayed behind to make sure everything was back in order for Monday morning. In particular I would like to thank Becky Evans who led the team of Elaine, Susie, Sonia, Kristen, Karen and Abby. Alongside help in school Katy and Kim also put together a fantastic raffle and silent auction. I am thrilled to say that the amount raised £1,826.81. This figure might go up slightly after the Eldridge's sale which took place before school today.

I have also heard this week that the Wreath Making Workshop led by Posan raised a huge £658 this year.

Many thanks to all those who continue to help organise and put on events as well as to those who support them. The money will make a huge difference to being able to continue giving the children excellent learning opportunities.

The Talent Shows this week gave all the children the opportunity to share their skills. There were some lovely highlights including children playing the piano or flute, children singing and some magic.

This week PC David Bullock read his beautiful book, *'PC Ben and the Christmas Gift'* to the whole school. He gave the children a short talk on the work of the police in ensuring the vulnerable are protected and supported during this busy and potentially difficult time for some. He has promised to come back in the new year to share his newest book, *'The Way Home'* which focusses on homelessness.

On Wednesday children in Year 3 and Year 4 led us in a celebration of Christmastime in St Stephen and St Agnes Church. Both year groups gave excellent performances of poems they had learnt, as well as singing, music instrumental performances and readings.



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The Nativity and the Year 3 and 4 Christmas Celebration gave all the children the opportunity to be a part of something very special. The confidence and maturity of the children performing was incredible. We are very proud of all our pupils.

On Thursday Year 2 and the Year 4 Choir visited Viscount Court. The children sang some of the Christmas songs from their various performances and met the residents. The staff and residents were very appreciative and the children enjoyed sharing some of their Christmas pieces and meeting new people. We hope that our relationship with Viscount Court can continue to grow over the year.

All the staff thank you all for the generous gifts you have sent to us. Many, many thanks for your kindness.

Finally, in preparation for next term, please help your child start the year with the correct uniform and stationary. All items should be clearly named. The uniform policy can be found on the website <https://tssfirs.co.uk/parents/school-uniform>

The school bag and pencil case requirements are for children in Year 1 to Year 4.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have a red school reading bag which fits beautifully into the child's drawer or hangs on a peg easily. In Year 3 and Year 4 we would encourage you to either continue with reading bags or buy a small, plain back pack that will hold a pencil case, a reading book and any home learning. Please send in a plain, simple pencil case which fits into the school tray. The contents of the pencil case should be as follows:

- HB pencils
- A small set of coloured pencils
- A glue stick (Pritt sticks are recommended- in our experience they are more effective)
- A black whiteboard pen
- A rubber
- A sharpener
- Please, where possible, name or mark items. We appreciate your cooperation in this. Thank you. The school office will keep a small stock of glue sticks and whiteboard pens for purchase throughout the year if required. The cost will be as follows:
- Glue sticks: £1
- Whiteboard pens: 50p

We say farewell to Mrs Poppy Hodgson this term. We would like to thank her for all that she has done for Trinity and wish her the very best for the future.

All that is left is for me to wish all our families a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope you get the chance to relax and unwind over the Christmas break. To remind you, the children return to school on Tuesday 07 January 2025 and we warmly invite you to come to our Family Worship on 09 January 2025.



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Kind regards,

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## Dates:

06 January 2025	<i>In Service Day - no school for pupils</i>
07 January 2025	Pupil term starts
09 January 2025	Family Worship at St Stephen and St Agnes Church, starting at 9am
13 February 2025	Pupil term finishes
14 February 2025	<i>In Service Training Day - no school for pupils</i>
03 March 2025	Shakespeare Workshop led by The Young Shakespeare Company for Year 3 and 4
18 and 20 March 2025	Parents Evenings
03 April 2025	Family Worship at St Stephen and St Agnes Church, starting at 9am
04 April 2025	Term finishes
24 April 2025	Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church at 9.30am



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