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St. Mary's Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy Handsworth

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Dear Parents/Carers

'An angel of the Lord appeared and the glory of the Lord shone around them.'
Luke 2:9

Christmas Church Service

Our annual Christmas service was held this morning at St Mary's Church. A huge thank you to Father Bob for this morning's service and for all he does for our school. The children read bible verses and the choir sang Christmas Carols. They all performed beautifully. Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended.

Message from Father Bob - St Mary's Church

Special Services for Children and Families at Handsworth, St Mary's over Christmas

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday 18 December 2015	7:00pm	Carols in Handsworth Park with the Salvation Army Band - bring a lantern or a torch for this 30 minute service.
Christmas Eve	5:00pm	Crib Service - children are invited to attend this 30 minute telling of the Christmas Story dressed as one of the characters from the story. (There will also be the traditional Midnight Mass by candlelight at 11.00pm)
Christmas Day	10:00am	All-Age Worship for Christmas Day

Smiley/Star Chart Winners

The following children have had the most smiley faces/stars for good work or behaviour over the last term. Each child received a gift voucher and certificate.

RW Raman	RB Niamh	1L Kiaragh
1S Lereisha	2C Kairo	2N Kamron
3J Ali	3/4S Musaab	4B Dalmar
5S Hassain	5/6W Adeeb	6B Chance-Sontine

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on Tuesday 5 January 2016. All Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. If Parents/Carers do attend could I please ask them to stay until the assembly finishes. This demonstrates to all the children that the entire assembly is valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

Caion Nursery For making good progress throughout the Autumn Term	Nathan RW For designing and making a finger puppet	Janice RB For an excellent start at St Mary's and being able to take part in the Nativity
Laila 1L For working hard to improve her reading and spelling	Noah 1S For a great improvement in his work and listening skills	Nevaeh 2C For improvement in all areas
Ramandeep 2N For writing a marvellous story	Mahum 3J For making a lovely start at St Mary's	Mahesh 3/4S For working hard at his textile design and prototype analysis
Gwen 4B For independently producing a fabric handbag	Takiyree 5S For fantastic leadership in Design Technology	Ella 5/6W For working with determination to make a shelter for baby Jesus
	Zainab 6B For working hard all term	

Kind and Thoughtful Person

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly teddy bear. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Tuesday 5 January 2016. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office and swing on her chair.

KS1	KS2
Elizabeth For helping another child with their buttons	Kyra For handing in a £2 coin she found in the playground

Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	5S
Spick and Span	1L
Movement Bird	3J
Attendance	2N & 3/4S
Dinnertime	Yummy Bear goes to 2N Runner Up 1L

Parking in the Rectory Car Park

Can I please remind parents/carers that parking in the rectory car park is not allowed. It is private property therefore should not be used by parents/carer. Thank you for your continued support.

Mobile Phones reminder

For Health and Safety reasons can I please ask all parents/carers not to use their mobile phone within the school building. Thank you for your support.

Safety online reminder

Could parents please, please supervise children when using the internet at home either on the computer, mobile phone or any other electronic device that can access the internet. We are doing everything that we can in school to ensure that our children are safe and constantly remind the children about e-safety. Following the tips listed below will help your child stay safe online.

- Have family rules about how the internet will be used at home and be clear about what information is safe to share online
- Discuss rules about communicating online with friends
- Make sure you know what your children are doing online, much like you would in 'real' life and use parental controls (on computers, mobile phones and game consoles) to help you. Remember that these cannot always be 100% effective
- Make sure that your children are aware that people or websites can lie online
- Make sure your child understands that online actions can have offline consequences
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Term Dates

End of Term	Children break up on Friday 18 December 2015 and return to school on Tuesday 5 January 2016
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I hope you all have a lovely Christmas break and a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely

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