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In our worship we continue to talk about Advent with the children. The second candle is lit on our Advent ring and we have asked the children to think about how the Good News was announced by God to Kings and Shepherds alike. What good news can the children share with you this week?

14th December 2018

Sad goodbyes and happy hellos

As this year comes to an end, we are saying goodbye to Mrs Bach and Miss Jackman who leave us for pastures new. We wish them good luck and thank them for all the hard work they have done with the children of Saltwood School. I am happy to welcome Mrs Linda Housden back to the school. She will be re-joining our teaching assistant team and will be working mainly in Key Stage 1 this year. We are also saying goodbye at the end of next week to Mrs Fakley in the School Office who will be sailing off into a happy retirement and hello to Mrs Ali Heydon who is already training to take over her role.

School Dinner Payments

School dinners should always be purchased in advance to avoid the build-up of debt. Term 3 starts on 7th January and is 30 school days. At £2.05 per day this would mean meals for the whole term would come to £61.50. Caterlink have provided a full breakdown of next term's prices which is attached to this newsletter.

Term Dates for 2019-20 School Year Now Published

Parents who are good at planning ahead may be interested to know that the term dates and day closures for the next school year are now available on our website www.saltwood.kent.sch.uk/parents/term-dates

The Nit Before Christmas

I'm sorry to have to say that we have had further reports of headlice in the school. As we approach the Christmas holiday would **all** parents check hair as it gives us a good chance to eradicate them before we return to school next year!



Please notify us of these illnesses

As we have a member of staff who is pregnant, we need to be made aware of any cases of the following illnesses: Chicken pox, cytomegalovirus (CMV), Slapped Cheek (Parvovirus), and German Measles (Rubella). If your doctor diagnoses your child with any of these diseases, please let the School Office know.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Some final reminders to round off the year:

- 🍷 Class parties are on Monday afternoon – please note the sign-up sheets for food donations outside each classroom.
- 🍷 Our Christmas Service is at St Peters and St Pauls Church on Wednesday. The service starts at 9:30am and parents are invited back to school for coffee and mince pies afterwards!
- 🍷 The whole school will be enjoying a Panto in the hall on Tuesday thanks to FOSS!
- 🍷 We have an unclaimed raffle prize from Saturday's Bazaar – please can J. Salter contact the Office!
- 🍷 Term ends at 3.20pm on Wednesday. The new term starts for children on **Monday 7th January**

I wish you all a peaceful holiday and look forward to seeing you all again in 2019!

Paul Newton
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