



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **Choir at Goldfield**

Choir delivered a fantastic first performance of the year at Goldfield on Tuesday. We had a wonderful turnout, with almost all members taking part, and their beautiful singing truly brought everyone into the Christmas spirit. They were a real credit to Bishop Wood and should be incredibly proud of themselves. We're already looking forward to performing again at the Tring Christmas Festival on Saturday!

Mrs Smart

### **Safeguarding Visit**

This week, Father Huw visited the school to carry out a safeguarding pupil voice session. Together, we spoke with a group of children from across the year groups and explored a range of questions about feeling safe, trusted adults, bullying and kindness, and online safety. The children shared thoughtful and honest responses, and one clear theme emerged: while our Anti-Bullying Week is valued, pupils felt that work around bullying and kindness should continue throughout the year rather than be limited to a single themed week. This helpful feedback will guide our future planning to ensure that safeguarding and positive relationships remain a consistent focus in our school.

### **Advent - Hope**

We have begun our series of collective worships for Advent. Mr Patten led Monday's worship on the theme of Hope. We were also delighted to welcome Father Huw on Wednesday, who spoke about how the Tring community has brought hope to a couple who recently relocated here from Mariupol.

### **Board Games**

Mrs Herd has sent a plea for donations for our indoor lunchtime zone. If you have any board games, chess sets or card games that are in good working order and age appropriate (7-11), we would be very grateful to receive them. Thank you.

### **Christmas Service Timings**

Our whole-school Christmas services will take place at St Peter and St Paul on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December. There will be two services: an afternoon service at 2.00pm and an evening service at 7.00pm. Each service is expected to last between 60 and 90 minutes. Further information, including how to book tickets, will be shared soon.

### **Thank you, Mrs Weaver!**

We would all like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Weaver who has decorated our Advent crown. It looks absolutely fantastic. Head over to our Instagram page to see it for yourselves!

### **Christmas Post Box**

Our school post box will be put out for Christmas cards on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Cards will be sorted and delivered by some helpful Year 6 elves. Please make sure that children write the name and class of the recipient clearly on the envelope.

### **Celebration**

Congratulations to the following pupils who were celebrated in school this week for being the best version of themselves:

3PS – Eden KW and Barnaby K

3S – Alexander P and Marcus H

4A – Arwen K and Seren S



He came so that we can 'be the best version of ourselves, enjoying life in all its fullness.'



4C – Max B and Esme FB  
5DR – Louis B and Darcey E  
5M – Tess NS and Samuel S  
6I – Isabelle HW and Riley E  
6H – Harvey R and Ella H

*Other Honours*

Pom Poms: 6H

**Around School**

It has been another great week in school. Here is a taste of what the children have been doing this week.

*This Week*

Year 3 have enjoyed starting their new topic in Computing. Year 4 have enjoyed invasion games in PE. Year 5 have enjoyed their reading activities on 'Holes'. Year 6 have enjoyed writing Christmas letters to their friends in France.

*Next Week*

Year 3 will be doing 'fitness' in PE sessions. Year 4 will be learning about the London Eye in Geography. Year 5 are looking forward to going to church to practise for the Christmas service. Year 6 are excited about Victorian Day.

**Diary Dates**

Please find below a list of key dates for the Autumn Term. We will add to this as we progress through the school year.

New dates will be highlighted.

Date	Event
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Reverse Advent Calendar Begins
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Year 6 Victorian Day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Buddies Christmas Fayre
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Afternoon and Evening Christmas Services at St P and P
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Pupil Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term Service at St P and P 11.30am
15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Week
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Golden Time
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes at 1.30pm

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley