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Dear Families,

As you can imagine it has been quite a week here at St Mary's. I want to thank all of our families who wished us well and shared such positivity with us at a challenging time. I would also like to thank all the staff for their hard work and commitment to St Mary's, but the biggest thank you goes to our incredible children. The children's talents, kindness and positivity shone brightly for all to see. Hopefully, I will have the final report to share with you before the Christmas holidays.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house, in the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven".

Matthew 5:14-16

Advent and the celebration of the birth of Jesus is fast approaching. I hope you are all keeping well with the darker mornings and shorter days. It has been a bitterly cold few days but our incredible children ensure the light of Jesus burns brightly inside St Mary's.

Plans are well underway for our Christmas performances. A letter will be sent out on Monday to request tickets for the school nativity on Thursday 5th December (Reception – year 2), these numbers are limited due to hall space however, each family will have an allocation for both performances at 9.30 and 5pm. This year there will be a small charge for tickets and we will be selling raffle tickets at each performance.

Early in the Spring term there will be a Parents evening, offering both remote and face to face options. However, if you have any concerns or questions at any point please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher either directly with them or via admin@st-marys-reddish.stockport.sch.uk

Mrs Beer updates our calendar on the school website so please check this for key dates for the remainder of this term. Years 3-6 alongside the St Mary's choir are performing their Christmas Concert at St Marys Church on Thursday December 12th at 2pm, tickets are not required for this.

Christmas dinner and jumper day is Friday 13th December and Mrs Beer will let you know about ordering a Christmas lunch for children who are not normally on school dinners.

Families are welcomed into school for our, 'Christmas Craft morning' on Tuesday 17th December 9-10am.

We finish for the Christmas holidays on Thursday 19th December at 3.20pm. Usual clubs will still run on this date until 4.15pm.

I have managed to rearrange the parents drop in session with a Family Support Worker for Friday 6th December 9.30 – 12.30. This is to discuss any issues or concerns you may have regarding any aspect of family life. Please let me or the office know if you would like an appointment.

Finally, as you all know I am a regular feature on the school gate, if you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak to me. For any other general queries please direct them to: admin@st-marys-reddish.stockport.sch.uk

Have a wonderful weekend with the warmest wishes,

Mrs Faryniarz