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As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, may His light illuminate your path and His peace fill your heart. Wishing you a Christmas filled with heavenly blessings.

Dear Families,

As you already know we finish for the Christmas break on Friday at 3.20pm with Mr Stephenson's club running as usual until 5pm.

I wanted to take this further opportunity to wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you to all the families who joined us today for our festive craft morning, the turnout was tremendous and your support is greatly appreciated.

All of the children will receive a Christmas gift from school. This is a book we have purchased for every child and we hope you enjoy sharing this over the holidays. As a special treat, I have booked not one, but two, Pantomimes, 'Cinderella' and 'Snow White' to visit St Mary's on Friday 10th January and Tuesday 20th January. To subsidise the cost, we are asking each child to contribute £3, payable on school money. This was a wonderful enjoyable experience last year that we are really looking forward to, therefore, we have doubled the fun!

As part of our commitment to sustainable travel we completed a bid through TFGM to fund a covered cycle rack here at St Mary's. This bid was successful and work should begin in January. This will allow cycles to be protected from the elements throughout the day. You may have seen, we are also beginning our next phase of playground development so please ensure children stay away from this area until the end of term. In January the children will have a fabulous new piece of equipment to develop their free play.

You will receive your banded attendance letter tomorrow. 58 children achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn term which is a wonderful achievement. Thank you once again to all the families who support us with an ongoing commitment to attendance and punctuality, we really do appreciate it and it makes a huge difference to your child. Our first PTA event the 'Christmas Fair' was extremely well attended and supported by our families. We raised £1654.38 which is a truly outstanding amount, we will be able to let you know next term how the money will be used to benefit St Mary's.

The PTA would love to expand their membership, so if you'd like to be involved next year, please email stmarysreddishpta@gmail.com

As an additional reminder all wrap around care, must be booked and payment made in advance on SchoolMoney from January. This change is an essential part of improvements to our current financial systems and will ensure systems are more robust and time efficient.

Save the date:

Parent consultations, Tuesday 10th February 3.30pm until 6pm.

Our next parent's morning (when parents are warmly welcomed into school) will be Friday 13th February 9-10 am. There will be no celebration assembly on this date.

School reopens on Tuesday 6th January at 8.40am and I look forward to welcoming you all back then.

With the warmest wishes,
Mrs Faryniarz

May God bless this Christmas and always. May you be comforted by His presence in your life, and always follow His guiding light. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful year to come.