



'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Matthew 22.37

Love Friendship Courage Hope

### A message from Mrs Kitts

Once again, this is a busy term in which I have enjoyed taking children out and welcomed visitors in for various sporting events and those linked to the church. Thank you for supporting your children to participate whether through encouragement and providing warm clothing or by providing transport. Christmas events are coming up so please look at the 'Dates for the diary' below as well as keeping an eye on emails sent out between now and the end of term.

### Our Christian School

*SIAMS Inspection:* We look forward to receiving the report following our SIAMS inspection last Wednesday. Thank you to the parents who spoke with our SIAMS inspector, Father Jeremy who, as he left, said;

Your children are lovely!

We are looking forward to our Christmas trail in the church and chapel.

### Author visits



Years 1-4 enjoyed a virtual author visit with John Dougherty, through Wiltshire Learning Resources. He read some of his stories and shared some songs whilst also encouraging questions about his life as an author. We have purchased some of his books for the library including *There's a pig up my nose* and *Zeus on the loose*.

Years 5 and 6 had a session with S F Said who wrote *Varjak Paw* and *Tyger*. He talked about how long it had taken him to write his books and described his journey as an author. The children learnt about the importance of editing work and not giving up.

### Children in Need



It was lovely to see so many home-spun outfits to mark Children in Need, raising £91. We talked about what the money raised goes towards and our SIAMS inspector heard that our children do understand that loving our neighbour can include people we don't ever meet.

## KS1 Cricket skills workshop

The whole of Years 1 and 2 visited the Sports Dome in Chippenham for a skills workshop provided by Wiltshire Cricket. The children learnt about bowling and batting and experienced a new sports environment.



## Girls' Football Festival



Mrs Kitts and some parents took our mixed year girls' football team to Kingsbury Green Academy for a football festival. The team did really well, winning most of their matches. They gained confidence and gelled as a team with Neve naturally rising into the position of captain and Ezmay showing some courageous play. Well done Team St Nich's.



## Pre-loved book sales

The recent book sales raised £60 which will go straight into buying new stock for our library.

Thank you to the PTA members who helped set up and to our younger customers. We hope to hold another in the new year.

## Remembrance



All the children worked on a project to create poppies to decorate some crosses made specially for us. The crosses commemorate those men from Bromham who lost their lives in the first and second world wars. Two of the wreaths were laid at the Remembrance Service along with those of the Royal British Legion. Our two school ambassadors, Megan and Ethan, represented the school respectfully and with pride – well done to them.



## Parent Governor

Our Governing Body has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you would be interested, please read the information being sent out via Parentmail or speak to Ross Phillips, Chair of Governors, or any of our current governors.

## Multi Skills and Sports Leaders

We were lucky to have a Youth Sports Trust funded day of training for all our Year 5s and 6s and then these children provided a fun multi-sports session for the Year 1 and 2 children. The older children did a great job and some really shone including Oscar and Ava.



## Pudding Run

We would like to extend huge thanks to everyone involved with the organising, on the day volunteering and to the runners for everything done to make this an enjoyable, safe and successful event. Particular thanks to Chris Warren for leading his team for the first time.



## Dates for the diary

*Nativity play:*

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9:30

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2:00

*Last day of term 2:*

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas jumpers, lunch and church service at 1:15 – all welcome to the church.

*First day of term 3:*

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024