



Dear Parents and Carers,

November has already been a very busy month, with some lovely firework night experiences in school, as well as our Diwali celebrations and Poppy Day to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the ending of World War 1.

This term has so many festivals and celebrations in that the children seem to learning different things each day, particularly linked to our values of tolerance and respect. They have also thinking about others and how we can help one another to feel happier with the life that we lead. In line with this we have a few charities that we have decided to help over the Christmas period, including Noah and Luton Food Bank.

I would like to take this opportunity to say that we have changed our contractor for the gardens and I we can already see some lovely changes, particularly down the drive and the allotment. We have a plan that will deliver change and update the grounds over the coming months, particularly the new entrance way to make it more inviting and more importantly safe and I thank you for your patience with this ongoing works.

Kind Regards
Katey Thompson
Headteacher

	<p>Bedtime Stories Come back to school dressed in your pyjamas and listen to a story in the dark with your keyworker. Tuesday 20th November 5pm-5:45pm We will also share a hot chocolate after the stories, so you are ready to home to bed!</p>
<p>Christmas Dinner Christmas Dinner will be supplied by St Matthews Primary School on Thursday 13th December 2018. If you wish your child to attend this special event, please contact the school office to book a place. No bookings will take place after Friday 30th October.</p>	
	<p>Nativity Play Blue Class Nativity – 11:30am and 2:30pm – 12th December 2018 Red Class Nativity – 11:30am and 2:30pm – 14th December 2018 Please note the change of day for this performance, due to the Christmas Dinner on the previous date set. 30 hour children please attend the 2:30 performance if possible.</p>
<p>Christmas Bazaar Christmas Bazaar is a new event this year! We have been very lucky to be in contact with Father Christmas, who will be attending! Lots of other stalls too. Come along Tuesday 4th December 3-5pm. 50p entry per family (entrance via Haddon Road – Double Gates)</p>	



Adverse Weather

We are coming into the months where the weather can be unpredictable. Please ensure you have signed up to **Parentmail, Facebook** and our school **website**, as this is where school closures and updates will be published.
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Coats and Warm Clothing

As the seasons and weather changes, it is very important for the children to experience this and talk about what they see occurring. To support this we ask that you remember to send a coat in every day, as we will be outside in all weathers.



Sickness Policy

As I am sure you are aware we have had a large number of children who have been suffering from sickness and diarrhoea. We are asking that you do follow our policy of 48 hours after the last occurrence. This prevents from passing it on to other children and will help us to clear it from the nursery much more efficiently.

NOAH

To support NOAH this year, over the very cold winter months, we are creating shoeboxes in the classrooms with the children, which will be given as gifts to the homeless on Christmas Day. Please send in any empty shoe boxes that we will be able to use and donate. More details will follow with regards to items that we would like help with to fill them.



Luton Food Bank

We are asking that the children bring in one item each that we could donate to the Food Bank this Christmas. This will help people who are struggling at this time of year to have a more enjoyable festive period.

- Blue Room – Tinned Fruit
- Red Room – Tinned Vegetable
- Little Harts – Tinned Soup
- Staff – UHT Milk

Christmas Dates for Diary

Christmas Bazaar - 3pm-5pm - 4th December 2018 – A chance for your child to meet Father Christmas and to take part in lots of fun stalls and games.
Blue Class Nativity – 11:30am and 2:30pm – 12th December 2018
Red Class Nativity – 11:30am and 2:30pm – 14th December 2018
Christingle Service at St Anne’s – 10:30 and 1:30pm – 18th December 2018 – Volunteers needed – Please speak to staff
Christmas Workshop – 19th December 2018 – Craft session from the first hour of the session, both morning and afternoon, across the whole school
Christmas Party – All children 9am-1pm – Friday 21st December – School Closes at 1pm



Term Dates For 2018-2019

Autumn Term	Tuesday 30/10/2018 – Friday 21/12/2018	
	Friday 21 st December All children invited in AM for school party 9am-1pm. School closes at 1pm (no after school club on this day)	
Spring Term	Tuesday 08/01/2019 – Friday 09/02/2018	
	07/01/2019	Staff Training– Nursery Closed
	08/01/2019	Green Room and Little Harts Closed – Home Visits Blue and Red Class Children Return