



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we dive headfirst into the excitement of Black Friday deals, I'd like to take a moment to extend warm Thanksgiving wishes to our American families. Happy Turkey Day, yesterday!

### **EYFS Nativity - Monday 2nd December**

Reception and Preschool parents and grandparents are invited to watch the Reception Nativity at 2.15pm in Sunnylands Hall on Monday. We can't wait to kickstart the festive season.

### **Healthy Snacks Reminder**

A gentle reminder to please send in healthy snacks for children in Reception to Year 6 to enjoy during their break time. Snacks should be simple and nutritious, such as fruit, vegetable sticks, or other healthy options - please avoid chocolate bars, crisps, or large quantities of food, as this is just a quick snack to keep children going until their hot lunch at midday. Additionally, please remember that we are a nut-free school to ensure the safety of all our children. Thank you for your support in promoting healthy habits and keeping everyone safe.

### **The Green Patch**

Our Eco Committee were invited to the Green Patch in Kettering this week to explore the wonderful grounds. The children loved it and have come back with lots of ideas. I've seen a request for a polly tunnel come in today!

### **KLV Indoor Athletics**

Year 3 to Year 6 went to the KSSP Indoor Athletics at KLV this week. This is always a vibrant event with hundreds of children from across Kettering taking part. Our pupils did really well and we had some great results, which is brilliant considering we're the smallest school at the event.

### **Getting Festive**

The tree arrived this week and all of the children LOVED decorating it. It is a thing to behold and a sight of beauty. There's lots of exciting Christmas events over the next few weeks culminating in the amazing Christmas Carol Service, and this year, everyone is going. Please make sure Friday 13th at 10.30m is in your diary; we'd love to see you all there (and friends and family) at St Peter and Paul's Church. We've also sent out information regarding the Rotary Club's Books4Homes campaigns and our School Council think Christmas is a wonderful time to give the gift of a book to those without.

### **Getting in Touch**

All enquiries should be sent to the School Office, [STPSOffice@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:STPSOffice@st-peters.org.uk). This email address is monitored all day by our Office Manager who also has access to all of the calendars. If you wish to contact me with a private matter then please use [STPSSafeguarding@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:STPSSafeguarding@st-peters.org.uk). As the name suggests, this email is for safeguarding, child protection or confidential matters and I aim to respond ASAP. All general enquiries should go via the School Office - we receive over 100 emails a day and it's important we process them all effectively and in a timely manner. We also have staff with specific responsibilities and you're able to contact them:

- Financial - [STPSBursar@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:STPSBursar@st-peters.org.uk)
- Pastoral - [g.glaves@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:g.glaves@st-peters.org.uk)
- Curriculum - [t.butler@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:t.butler@st-peters.org.uk)
- SEND - [s.ward@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:s.ward@st-peters.org.uk)
- Preschool - [j.jones@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:j.jones@st-peters.org.uk)
- Music - [c.palmer@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:c.palmer@st-peters.org.uk)
- Sport - [j.ray@st-peters.org.uk](mailto:j.ray@st-peters.org.uk)

If your concern or question can be answered by a Class Teacher, please get in touch with them first, but please remember they're teaching and may not be able to respond during school hours.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Choir Perform at Lights to Remember - Sunday 1st December
- Year 6 Rockingham Castle Trip - Monday 2nd December
- Community Choir - Friday 6th December
- Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 6th December
- Year 3 to Year 6 Carol Singing in Care Homes - Monday 9th December
- Reception to Year 6 Panto Trip - Tuesday 10th December
- Winter House Games (Y3-Y6) - Wednesday 11th December from 1.30pm
- Carol Service Rehearsal - Thursday 12th December
- Christmas Carol Service at St P & P - Friday 13th December, 10.30am

### **Staff News**

I am delighted to share some happy news with you. Bobbi (Mrs T) and I are expecting our first baby, due Easter 2025! I'm told that due dates can sometimes change, but at the moment, it's lined up perfectly with the Easter holidays! This is an incredibly exciting time for us, and we can't wait to introduce Baby T to the school community.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone; I'm looking forward to our Choir's performance at the Toller Church on Sunday evening for their Lights to Remember Service - this is always a beautiful event. Have a wonderful start to Advent; the countdown has started!

Regards,

**Mr Thomas**

*Headteacher*

Here is the link to next week's menu:

<https://www.st-peters.org.uk/menu>