

## All Saints Primary School Newsletter December 2013 (2)

19<sup>th</sup> December 2013

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children that braved the howling wind and rain last night were amazing at our annual Carol Service held this year at Folke Church. The singing was beautiful and the chance to reflect on that first Christmas and its messages to us today, delivered through the readings was presented by the children clearly and confidently. Community members who attended were very impressed and I was once again very proud to be the Headteacher at All Saints.

I realise it was not the best night to turn out for parents! Thank you so much to those who supported our efforts to give the children a reflective and even spiritual experience at Christmas alongside the parties and other fun filled events. I am also very grateful for the support of our wonderful community who also gave their time for our school. Reverend Budgell and Reverend Ridding, Ann Hyland for organising our use of the lovely church at Folke, Non Davies for her work with the Sapphires children's singing along with Matt the pianist and Liz Lyon for teaching the children the lovely 'It's Christmastime' song. The two unsung heroes of the evening were Adrian Harding and Paul Tomlin, school governors who volunteered to organise car parking. What a night for a job like that – thank you so much!

It has been a long and busy term and despite the challenges of staff illness the All Saints team spirit has ensured that everything planned for the children has managed to go ahead. Mrs Regan has survived her first term with us and has brought so much to our school – not least the brilliant 'Hey Ewe!' nativity this year. I would like to thank all the members of the All Saints team for everything they have given to the school in time and energy this term and especially mention Mrs Hyslop who has been a lovely teacher for Diamonds Class since half term. We all wish her well in her future career.

Our PTA members have been in school all morning preparing for the children's Christmas Party lunch today. Thank you all so much for your support all year round but especially at this really busy time. Just to confirm there will be NO afterschool café this Friday.

<u>Music Tuition</u> Mrs Irvine has one space available for piano tuition (Key Stage 2) in the New Year. We can also provide violin tuition if anyone is interested. Please speak to Lou in the office.

**Congratulations** Nikki Warwick has been volunteering in school every afternoon this term whilst completing a course on supporting learning in school. Phil Beasley used to be our school cleaner. The whole school community sends many congratulations to Nikki and Phil as they are getting married in Bishops Caundle on Saturday. We all wish them a very happy day and a wonderful future.

Finally we all wish you a special family and fun filled Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year – term begins for children on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

Kind regards,

Anne Crumpler