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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well the end of term is approaching and we are looking forward to going to St Mary's church at Lydiard Park for our annual Carol Service. As usual, we are holding two services. Reception, Year 6, 2 and 4 will be taking part during the service at 1pm and Years 1, 3 and 5 plus the Year 6 readers will be taking part in the 2pm service. We always walk down to the church and leave about half an hour before each service. If you are able to walk down with us then please come to the school office. As in previous years the children are able to leave school early once they have walked back to school as a class and been registered. Any questions then do please come in and ask. I hope to see many of you there.

St Mary's church in Lydiard Park has its Nativity festival on at the moment where the church will be open to view the scenes. Each class from Tregoze has been invited to attend and Mrs Ambrose has worked hard to timetable each visit in during this busy time of year.

Young Carers

At Tregoze we are committed to caring for the children in our school. We are pleased to announce that we have taken on the Young Carers Award this year to ensure that any young carers within our school are supported. Young carers are children who look after someone in their family. This may be a parent, brother, sister or other family member who has an illness, a physical or learning disability, a mental health problem or misuses of drugs or alcohol. A young carer usually takes on practical and/or emotional caring responsibilities that would normally be expected of an adult. They may do a variety of different tasks at home such as helping some get up and dressed or to take medication, doing house work or shopping, caring for younger siblings or cheering them up when they are feeling low. At Tregoze we recognise the important role that young carers have and would like them to feel understood and supported within school. If you feel that your child may be a young carer please speak to Miss Trout or Miss Beach, who will be able to give you more information. We will be keen to hear from you!

Snappers photography

I hope that you are all enjoying the school photos that were recently taken by Snappers. I was delighted today to receive a commission cheque to the school for £277.19. This will go into our general school budget and goes towards supporting teaching and learning opportunities at Tregoze.

Erasmus +

Below are extracts from the diaries that Lucy, Eirinn and Harriet produced about their time away in Italy. From speaking with the girls they had a fabulous time away and they have hopefully made friends in Italy that they will keep in contact with.

20/11/17

At the school we made comics about Batman and wrote what they were saying in English. When we got home we had lasagne for lunch. In the evening my host went to a club and I went along too. The people who worked at the club did not speak any English. When we got home we watched a movie and had chips for tea.

21/11/17

This morning we woke up and had to be at school by 8.00am. We had a really fun day and



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finished at 1.00! Then I spent a really nice time with my host family getting to know them better.

Day 4 in Italy

We woke up and got ready, had breakfast and then got ready to go to school today. We were going to a museum. We made pottery and looked at some prehistoric stuff. We then went back home with our hosts and did some drawing, ate tea and then went to bed.

Mrs Adkin is busy typing them up to go off to our partner schools to form part of the evidence for the British Council to finish off the mobility to Italy. Already staff are busy planning the work that needs to go on the Mobility to Poland in March and we are busy sorting out which staff and children will have the opportunity to go. This is the final mobility of our three year project before all teachers from our partner schools come to the UK for the final meeting in June.

News from the school council

Next term we are continuing our CrAzy week as the pupils in our school have enjoyed bringing in their toys. For people who don't know, CrAzy week is where you have a week to bring in toys to play with during playtimes, lunch times and golden time.

Crazy week

January 8th - Small Teddy bear

January 15th - Action figures

January 22nd - Cards (Top trumps, trading cards)

January 29th - Lego (Friends, Play Mobile)

February 5th - Jigsaw (puzzle)

We hope you enjoy the CrAzy weeks this term and have a lot of fun. Be careful with your toys, please don't bring toys if you don't want them to break. They are your responsibility

**Thank You,
School Council.**

Headteachers Awards

Congratulations to: Charlie R, Ryanna, Candace, Zach R, Charlie M, Sheena and Katie F for receiving a headteachers award for fantastic work. I have been really impressed with the number of 100 Dojo certificates awarded and now also I have started to give out 200 Dojo certificates. Keep up the hard work.

Attendance

Good attendance is classed as 95% or above. Please can you try and ensure that your children

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are in school as missed learning opportunities are hard to catch up on. If your child's attendance is at 95% this means they will have missed 10 school days. If your child's attendance is lower than this then they are at risk of not being successful in school and it makes it harder for your child to progress. You will get information about your child's attendance on their report cards which are going out on Friday 15th December.

We have been tracking the attendance of each class and this currently sits at:

Year Group	Average attendance to date (%)
Reception	96.2
Year 1	95.7
Year 2	98.1
Year 3	96.2
Year 4	97.6
Year 5	98.1
Year 6	95.9

Next academic year I have decided to add the three TD days to the October half term dates to give you two weeks off. We will be returning to school on Wednesday 5th September 2018.

TD DAYS next year: 4/9/18, 22/10/18, 23/10/18, 24/10/18 and 8/7/19.

Year 3

For term 3 Mr Preen is going to be teaching Year 1 at St Mary's school in Marlborough and we will have Mr Atherson Taylor joining us from St Mary's school in Marlborough and I know that Mrs Collins and year 3 are looking forward to welcoming him to our lovely school for this short term. Mr Preen we hope you will enjoy teaching Year 1 and we look forward to welcoming you back in Term 4.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope that you have a lovely holiday celebrating with family and friends.

Regards

Mrs Tudor

Key Dates for your diaries:

Date	Event
Friday 8 th December	FOTS XMAS FAYRE
Monday 11 th December	Grandparents Nativity
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1 Nativity 1.30pm and 6pm
Friday 15 th December	Report Cards out
Tuesday 19 th December	School Carol Service at 1pm and 2pm
Wednesday 20 th December	End of term 2
Thursday 4 th January	Start of term 3
Tuesday 9 th January	Open morning 9-10am



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