

Dear Parents/Carers,

December 2018

Well it is definitely feeling a lot like Christmas in Tregoze. The decorations are up, the Reception class had their elf day on Monday and the whole of KS1 are busy preparing for their nativity next week. Miss Sylvester has been singing carols ready for the Christmas fete on Friday and all the children are getting very excited.

Thank you to those parents that joined in with the learning in our open morning session this week. We hope that you found it useful. I would welcome any feedback on these sessions e.g. if you would like them to continue; what you would like to see.

Christmas Carol Service

Every year we are fortunate enough to round off our Christmas celebrations with our Carol Service at St Mary's church in Lydiard Park. This year this is being held on **Wednesday 19th December**. We have two services in the afternoon, one at 1pm and the other at 2pm. I am delighted that Mrs Bullimore has again been in this year helping our children to learn the carols.

Wednesday 19th December 1pm: Reception, Year 2, Year 5, Year 6 readers and the choir.

Wednesday 19th December 2pm: Year 1, Year 3, Year 4, Year 6 and the choir.

If you are able to support with walking to the church for either of these services then please can you let your child's class teacher know. You will be able to take your children after the service once they have been walked back to the school and been registered with their teacher. We hope you will be able to join us for this.

FOTs

I would like to say a huge thank you to the FOTs team who have raised **£2500** towards IPADs at the school and also have given the school **£2040** towards the £10 contribution for each child towards a trip. We are very grateful for this money and teachers are very excited about having more IPADs to use in school.

Please do come and support the FOTs team at the Christmas fete this Friday from 4:15 to 6:15pm. Thank you to those of you who are allowing your child to join in with the Christmas Capers in the afternoon. You will probably be aware of how tight schools budgets are at the moment and every penny that is raised goes towards providing the little extras.

Clubs next term – unfortunately due to financial reasons I am no longer able to provide some of the after school clubs on offer at Tregoze. This decision wasn't taken lightly but I am unable to afford the staffing costs to cover these clubs. From January there will no longer be a sewing, colouring or fun food and fitness. Please do remember that there is always our after school club 'Toucans' that you can book your child into. If we start to increase the numbers for Toucans then I might be able to offer a reduced rate for the first hour.

Congratulations

A belated congratulations goes to Millie in Year 6 who applied to trial for the Swindon Town Football Club. She attended two different trial processes and has now been accepted to play for the STFC Girls Centre of Excellence for the under 11's squad. She has been training with them since September. Well done Millie.

I am delighted to say that Mrs Hodge has been awarded her Foundation Degree in Education and is now working towards her final year to complete her BA Honours degree in Education. Well done Mrs Hodge, all your hard work is paying off.

Report Cards

Report cards will be coming home next Friday 14th December. These will tell you where your child is currently working and highlight some areas for you to support us to support them at home.

Attendance

It is really important that you get your child to school on time. We are finding more and more children are having a late mark on the register and this affects your child's overall attendance. Every school day really does count and my teachers are telling me that it impacts on the whole class if a child is late as they have already started the learning for the day. Please can we try really hard to get them in on time.

Here's to a fun, festive end of term. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Term 3 starts on Monday 7th January 2019.

Kind regards

Mrs Tudor