



**Thurlaston CE (Aided) Primary School**  
Teaching and Living the Christian Way of Life  
Building Our Lives on Jesus

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As I write, we have just the Carol Service in the church left. I really look forward to ending the term remembering the reason for Christmas in church. "For to you is born this day a saviour who is Christ the Lord". May I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year on behalf of the school and myself.

I think everyone found the ice-skating on Monday very enjoyable. It was great to see so many of the children push themselves out of their comfort zone and try to skate. Some were really good at it!

We have had a donation to the school to assist the PTFA in their target of buying more I-pads for the school. The Pavers Foundation has donated £500 towards the fund. This came about because one of our parents put our name forward to the company that they work for. Many medium and large businesses give money to charity. Perhaps the company you work for may donate, or may want to sponsor a football kit etc.

The Christmas Dinner went well yesterday. Thanks go to Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Bevins for serving it up so efficiently. Class 4 helped by waiting on the tables for the younger children. Thank you.

Some children in class 4 performed "A Christmas Carol" to the whole school today. They wrote and practised this in their breaks and lunch times. Well Done.

Staff will have emergency first aid training during the Christmas break. I am pleased to say that Miss Richards will be back after Christmas. Thank you to Mrs Martin for being able and willing to stand in whilst she has been off.

School opens to the children after the break on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 8:45am as normal.

### **Local Notices**

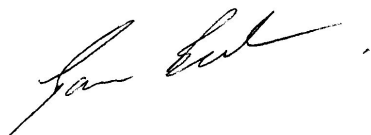
**All Saints Church Notices:** The Christmas Tree Festival is open from 4-6pm on selected dates in December (19, 20, 21, 24). The Christmas Eve communion will be at 10pm on 24th December.

**Thurlaston Chapel Notices:** The Candlelit Carol Service is on 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm and their Christmas Day service is on 25<sup>th</sup> December at 10:30am.

All our welcome to any of the events run by the church or chapel.

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew chapter 7 verse 24, NIV)
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Yours sincerely



Gavin Beetham

#### Provisional Dates for your Diary

Christmas Holiday – 20<sup>th</sup>  
December to 4<sup>th</sup> January  
05-01-26 – First Day of Term  
Half Term – 14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>  
February 2026  
23-02-26 – Parents Eve  
26-02-26 – Parents Eve  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March – Book Week

27-03-26 – Easter Service  
Easter Holiday – 28<sup>th</sup> March to  
12<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
04-05-26 – Bank Holiday  
11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs  
Half Term – 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May  
18-12-26 – KS2 Trips  
23-06-26 – KS2 Production

24-06-26 – KS2 Production  
26-06-26 – Sports Day  
29-06-26 – KS1 Trips  
30-06-26 – Leavers Assembly  
and Tea  
Summer Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> July to  
23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026