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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 5th 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 21st at 5:30pm and their Christmas Day service is on 25th 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)

Yours sincerely



Gavin Beetham

Provisional Dates for your Diary

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

27-03-26 – Easter Service
Easter Holiday – 28th March to
12th April 2026
04-05-26 – Bank Holiday
11th to 14th May – KS2 SATs
Half Term – 23rd to 31st 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 – 8th July to
23rd August 2026