







Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! What a great end to the term. Our children made us so proud with their amazing performing skills. All children worked so hard to entertain us. Reception performed 'It's a Baby' and told the Nativity story with some poor inn keepers who had a very restless night. Year 1 children performed 'Shine, Star, Shine', another lovely nativity story about a star that had lost its sparkle. Year 2 and Year 3 joined together for 'Eddie the Penguin Saves the World'. They sent us a very important message of small steps that we can make to protect our planet. All of the staff were so impressed with the confidence and team work that the children demonstrated in the plays. We are very proud of them!

Year 1 children really enjoyed their visit to the Cathedral where they took part in the 'Christmas Through the Keyhole' workshop. This workshop was a multi-sensory, interactive re-telling of the Christmas story. It enabled all children to understand the real lives of the nativity characters and to immerse themselves in the story. The children really enjoyed this visit.

The Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed their visit to the theatre to watch 'Little Tim and the Brave Sea Captain'. This was an engaging story with lots of audience participation. The Year 1 children sang the song walking all the way back to school! We are looking forward to finishing off the term with Year 3 going to the Tobacco Factory to see 'Cinderella'. We really are so lucky to be so close to wonderful theatres for these trips.

Yesterday the children had a fun packed day. The children looked very festive in their jumpers. All staff really enjoyed the Christmas lunch. The children had class Christmas parties and a special visitor arrived to deliver some presents. As always our younger children asked our visitor some very good questions. Our

favourite question was 'do you really have a reindeer called Rudolf?'

Once again you have been very generous with gifts this Christmas. We are well stocked up with some lovely treats. Many thanks from all the staff. We would also like to thank you for your continued support this term with homework, spelling and reading activities. Please remember that it is really important to keep up with regular reading over the Christmas break.

Finally, we would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and we look forward to working with you in the New Year.

# Best Wishes Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team

### **PTA News**

Thank you for your support during this very busy period. Thank you to all those who bought Christmas Trees, Christmas cards and Raffle tickets.



Thank you to those who sponsored the cards and to those who donated the amazing raffle prizes. Thanks also to those who gave their time to ensure that all these fundraising events took place and were so successful. At the time of writing we do not have final figures but will let you know how much you have raised in the January newsletter.

Thank you to the class reps who do a brilliant job at coordinating the cake sales and other events. Thank you also to all those who have helped at the cake sales, baked cakes and bought them.

Thank you everyone for your fantastic support this term. Have a great Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Many thanks for your continued support.

CPS PTA



#### SHINE

It's hard to believe it but Term 2 really has come to an end! It has flown by & here at Shine the children have been as creative as ever! On Mondays we hold Design & Create. The children have been super dooper busy making all things Christmassy! Anything from Christmas Crackers, Christmas Cards



to Reindeer Masks! Tuesdays are split with Pottery Club & Lego Club. In Pottery we made gingerbread men and creations such as hearts & little animals, pretty much anything potty! On Wednesdays we have Cartoon Club & a Model Making Club. A lot of the children at Shine end up at Cartoon Club on a Wednesday & as the world has gone Pokemon crazy recently we make sure they have plenty of Pokemon to colour in & trace as well as lots of Christmassy options. But we like to have a variety here at Shine so the Model Makers also have plenty to create with too! On a Thursday we have Cookery Club & Lego Club. Towards the end of Term we made tortilla wraps, cupcakes with chocolate & the choice of Rice Crispy, Corn Flakes & Hoops! The Tuesday & Thursday Legoers seem more than happy with the vast amount of Lego options that we have especially now that we have Knex! Fridays are very much a wind down day. The children get a treat & they enjoy the rest of Fun Time Friday playing board games, painting things & letting off a bit of steam! We will soon be able to get outside for some games as its getting lighter now...

Last of all I have some sad news to report that Sara our amazing creative specialist is returning to Spain - let's all hope she has a rotten time out there & returns to us in open arms! She'll be missed by us all.

We have kept the same structure for Term 3 as Term 2 was such a big hit! For more information about Shine After School Club at Cathedral please contact Jack on 07845421021 or email me on <a href="mailto:shinesasc\_cathedral@hotmail.com">shinesasc\_cathedral@hotmail.com</a>

Also don't forget our holiday club that we are running across Christmas!

Visit <a href="https://www.shinesportscoaching.com/holiday-clubs">https://www.shinesportscoaching.com/holiday-clubs</a> for more info about our holiday clubs.

And last of all have a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year from everyone here at Shine! See you all in 2017!

Thank you, Jack

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Training Day – School Closed to Pupils
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Term Begins
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan 17	<b>Year 1 Forest School</b> Mrs Gerolemou & Miss Cameron's class
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 17	Year 1 Forest School Mrs Gerolemou & Miss Cameron's class
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Training Day – School Closed to Pupils
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#### **FOREST SCHOOL**

Please come to school wearing your Forest School Clothes and bring your school uniform in a named bag to change into after.

## Primary School Admissions September 2016

If you have a sibling who was born between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 and August 31<sup>st</sup> 2013 make sure you remember to make an application for a Primary Reception school place. You can apply online for a Reception class place through Admissions Bristol City Council until midnight January 15, 2017.

