



Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Fri 20th Dec – Sun 5th Jan	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
Mon 6th Jan	School Closed - PD Day for school staff
Tues 7th Jan	School reopens

Advent Service St. Mary's

On Wednesday 11th we held our annual Advent service at St. Mary's church and the children were simply outstanding. This year we used the [@abyouthtrust](#) Follow the Star: Calm and Bright resources to help organise our service.

Not many children could lead an entire church service for their families and community to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Also the turnout was phenomenal so thank you as always for your outstanding support and dedication to our school and our children!



Christmas Market



Thank you all so much for your support at our Christmas Market. We

raised an amazing £1,190! It was a lovely afternoon and great to see so many people there. Thank you also to all our volunteers (adults and children) for helping to make this event so successful 😊 A big thank you to all the local businesses who donated prizes for our raffle.



Stars of the week Friday 13th December 2024

Ms. Lilley's Class – ELM	Clover R
Miss Defty's Class – OAK	Violet S
Mr Churchill's Class – MAPLE	Elle C
Mrs Appleby's Class – WILLOW	Betsy F-L
Mr Nelthorpe's Class– SYCAMORE	Rosie G
Miss O'Neil's Class - PINE	Ethan C
Pupils' Pupil	Ayda H / Joshua P
Staff member of the week	Miss Defty

Stars of the week Friday 20th December 2024

Ms. Lilley's Class – ELM	Tommy S
Miss Defty's Class – OAK	Victor L
Mr Churchill's Class – MAPLE	Jonathan T
Mrs Appleby's Class – WILLOW	Maggie S
Mr Nelthorpe's Class– SYCAMORE	Isla M
Miss O'Neil's Class - PINE	Finley L
Pupils' Pupil	Goodness L / Alice B
Staff member of the week	Miss Coyles

Choir Concert

A huge well done to our Choir for such a lovely event – it really was special. We had a fantastic evening listening to the children sing a range of Christmas classics. A big thank you to Miss Defty for giving her time to run choir this term. Thank you for supporting this fantastic event.



Christmas Parties and Discos

The children had a great time on Wednesday playing games and enjoying treats in their Class Christmas Parties. On Tuesday, the children showed some awesome dance moves in the Christmas Discos! A big thank you to Glynis Osborne for allowing us to use their disco equipment and for being awesome DJ! Also, a big thank you to staff for staying late so that this event could take place.



Reception and Year 1 Nativity

We were all treated to a fantastic Nativity performance on Monday and Tuesday by our Reception and Year 1 children. I am sure you will agree that their singing and loud voices were amazing. A big thank you to Ms Lilley, Miss Defty and our Teaching Assistants, Mrs Wray and Mrs Wilcox for making the performance possible. Well done to everyone - you made us all very proud.





Festive Fun Run

Our Fun Run was amazing!!! Huge thank you to Peterlee SSP who ran the event in school and to all the families who sponsored the children!! We raised £1045 which is utterly fantastic! Happy ❤️ Healthy ❤️ Fulfilled ❤️



WE WISH YOU A
Merry
Christmas
CAROL SERVICE

We are hosting our wonderful Christmas carol service and we would love you all to come along and join us.

4pm on the 22nd December 2024

**ST MARY'S CHURCH,
EASINGTON VILLAGE**

Happy Birthday Mrs Dodds

Our wonderful Vice Chair of Governors, Mrs Dodds will celebrate a big Birthday over the holidays. Today the children surprised Mrs Dodds in Celebration Worship with cards, gifts and a cake 😊 Mrs Dodds comes into our school every day to work with our children and we massively appreciate everything she does for us. Happy Birthday Mrs Dodds!



Thank you and Merry Christmas

Thank you to everyone for all of your support and kindness throughout this term. It is much appreciated and the events we host are only as successful as you make them. Our children have simply been wonderful as always. They have been happy and content in school and have worked extremely hard – they really do deserve a wonderful Christmas break.

Thank you also for the lovely gifts and cards received by the staff, we really appreciate it. On behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy 2025. See you all on the Tuesday 7th January for another fun, hardworking term. Thank you and God Bless. Mr Appleby.



The Christmas Eve Christingle Service is planned for 6pm in St Mary's Church, Easington Village. There will be a collection for The Children's Society. It would be lovely to see you there. Best wishes,
Members of the St Mary's Church PCC