

## **Saint Felix Pre-Preparatory Department Newsletter 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

Dear Parents

It seems impossible that we have nearly reached the end of the autumn term, until I look at the amount of work your children have completed over the last fourteen weeks. I hope you enjoy looking at the 'special' Christmas gifts they have created and will be bringing home next Tuesday.

This week's focus has been on the Nativity play, with every child playing a part. The dress rehearsal on Wednesday was the first time the children had been in costume and under the lights. Everyone was VERY excited and played their part well, although I expect there will be a few moments of stage fright during the actual performance. By the time you read this newsletter it will all be over for another year! I must thank all the staff involved in planning and producing the Nativity play for their hours of hard work. I do hope you all enjoyed it.

### **Star Assembly**

We were entertained like kings this week with three separate musical offerings from Bruno Ashford, Holly Love and Seyomeh Adzaku.

Bruno has been practising a seasonal carol on his ukulele called 'Melchior and Balthazar' after two of the three kings. He performed it accompanied by Mrs Cliff and amazed us all by playing and singing at the same time!

We then had the pleasure of listening to two separate piano pieces. Holly Love played 'The Holly and the Ivy' especially for her friend called Ivy, demonstrating her ability to stretch her fingers along the individual notes. Seyomeh was very nervous first thing in the morning but played 'Jingle Bells' beautifully, looking carefully from her music sheet to the keys. Well done to all three children.

There will not be a Star Assembly next week, as the children will be having their Christingle Service with Mrs Meldrum. I wonder how many oranges and sweets will survive to the end of the day?

### **Parents' Information**

Please refer to the Christmas Activities Planner for details of parties and treats on offer next week.

No book bags or water bottles are required in school on the last day of term as it is impossible to take them to the church.

We are looking forward to seeing as many parents and friends as possible at this year's carol service next Wednesday at St Edmund's church in Southwold at 11am. Please make sure the children are dressed warmly in their blazers, 'big' coats, school issue hats and scarves as there is limited heating in the church this year. Children should be collected from the pews at the end of the service.

Last but not least, may I take this opportunity to wish all Bronte parents and children a very happy Christmas and prosperous 2018.

Yours sincerely

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