

Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School Newsletter – w/e 2nd December 2022

Getting very close to the end of this term. Year R and 1 children have been busy practising their Christmas Nativity in preparation for their performances on 7th and 8th December. We hope you have your tickets and are looking forward to coming to watch it.

Reminder that the Friends of Wouldham are selling raffle tickets up to and including Saturday 10th December to win the whole contents of the Christmas Trolley. Thank you to everyone who has donated an item for the trolley, it is much appreciated.

Mr Fitter, Headteacher

### Attendance this week

Whole school attendance this week 90%

Best attendance this week:

Nightingale Class 94.4% and

Falcon Class 92.4 %



# ATTENDANCE

This term we have been looking at all children's attendance. We will be sending letters home to children whose attendance is being highlighted as concerning. Please come to talk to us if you think there is anything we can do to help improve your child's attendance and therefore their academic progress. Thank you

# Save the Children

For the whole week commencing Monday 12th December all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper over their uniform instead of their school jumper/cardigan. We have put a donation for Save the Children on Eduspot if you would like to contribute. Thank you



# Year 2 Polar Express Day

Year 2 have enjoyed their Polar Express Day! We all boarded the Polar Express and arrived at the North Pole. We have created puppets to retell the story, made snowman biscuits and enjoyed some hot chocolate to end the day.







#### School Christmas Fair

Reminder that on Saturday 10th December the PTA (Friends) are running their Christmas Fair.

Opening times are 10 am—2pm. Please come along to show your support.

Lots to do and buy—We believe Father Christmas might also be there!



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Next week sees the last sessions of the activity clubs. Please ensure that you have paid for the clubs before we break up for Christmas.

We hope the children have all enjoyed the activities on offer. More clubs available for terms 3 and 4. You will get sign up notification in due course. As always if you sign your child up to a club we do expect them to do the whole course as no refunds will be paid in the event of children not continuing with the club. Thank you for your co-operation on this matter

# WORSHIP

This week we marked the start of Advent, the season where we reflectively prepare for the celebration of Jesus' birth and His second coming. On Monday, we lit the first of our four candles, the candle of Hope that reminds us that God will fulfil every word that He has spoken. As part of Advent, we are using the Jesse tree (a tradition rooted in Isaiah 11:1: "A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots." Christians believe that Jesus is this new branch) to help us think about the people within Jesus' family tree and how their inspiring stories point towards Jesus' birth. The biblical characters that we have learnt about this week, are some of the patriarchs of the bible. Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Moses and David's incredible stories, have all revealed to us that the promises of God are true and everlasting – what great hope this offers to us!!! Memory verse of the week: "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." - John chapter 14 verse 6.

#### DATES FOR TERM 2

Christmas Fayre	Saturday 10th December
Christmas Crafts	Friday 9th December at 1.15—2.15, (only 4 places left—book at office) No charge!
Year R and 1 Nativity	Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December
Maths workshops	Year 4 parents – Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December Year 5 and 6 parents – Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 1 Grandparents invited in	sharing Christmas memories Tuesday 13th December
School Christmas dinner	Wednesday 14th December
Last day of term	Friday 16th December.
Start of Term 3	Thursday 5th January