

# St. Mary's Newsletter

*With God's help, we reach for the stars.*



*The Staff and Governors of St. Mary's wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.*

The results of this years key stage 2 SAT's are used by the Government to produce league tables which show how well primary schools in England have performed during 2016. Our children achieved extremely well against the highest standards that the Government expected. The Government look at the combined scores of reading, writing and maths and we scored really well. This puts us in the top 10% of all schools in the country and top in Stoke-on-Trent!

Well done to all last years' children and our excellent staff, we are so proud!

## Dates for your diary

- *Friday 16th December - Last day of School - Happy Christmas!*
- *Tuesday 3rd January - All staff and children back to school*
- *Thursday 5th January 2-3pm - open day for nursery and reception.*
- *Thursday 12th January - Nursery parent workshop, Reading at Home*
- *W/C 6th February - Media Week*
- *Friday 17th February - last day of school, half term.*
- *Monday 27th February - all staff and children return to school*
- *Tuesday 28th February - Make a Wish balloon release*



*The nursery children had a lovely time meeting Santa and taking a ride on the train.*



### Parent Pay

Thank you to all the parents who have now set up their accounts and paid their child's trip money. It is really important that this is paid on a regular basis so that we can continue to give the children such lovely experiences. Can we also ask that dinner money is paid for in advance as we cannot afford to carry dinner money debts. Thanks for your support.



*Well done to all the children who took part in The Carol Concert at Christ Church this week you were all super-stars!*



*Thank you to all the parents who came into school for Christmas Craft. The children had great fun making some lovely things.*



**PTFA Christmas Fair**  
**Thanks to the PTFA and all of their hard work, we raised an amazing £1100 this week. Thank you to you all for coming along and supporting us.**

### FOUNDATION STAGE OPEN DAY

We will be holding an open day on January 5th 2-3pm which will give parents who are looking for a nursery or reception place for their child for next September, a chance to come and look at our wonderful outstanding school. We will be advertising this locally but if you know anyone who will be interested in taking a look around and meeting our staff please let them know that they are warmly invited to come along.

*The children and staff shared a lovely Christmas lunch together.*

