



# St John's Church of England First School

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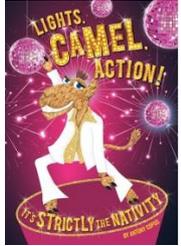
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Dear Parents & Carers

## Christmas Performance

I am sure you will agree that all the children were fantastic in last week's performances. The children worked extremely hard and we received many complimentary messages about the standard of performance. Staff would especially like to thank parents & carers for their support in sending in costumes for their children.



See your little stars shine  
How that you've had your Nativity photos taken  
you don't need to miss your children at the  
**DAILY ECHO**  
on Thursday 15th December

The Daily Echo is producing a special Nativity edition on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December which will include photos from the St John's performance.

## Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

A reminder that we will be supporting Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers/decorated jumpers to school in exchange for a £1 donation in support of Save the Children "Wear a Woolly and Save Lives" campaign.

## Local Community Christmas Singing

Pupils from Years 2, 3, & 4 have been participating in various Christmas carol singing events in the local community:

Year 4 pupils performed for the residents of Bennett Lodge and Year 3 at Allendale House. Both these events have become an annual tradition and are thoroughly enjoyed by all concerned.



Year 2 performed at a carol concert organised by Abbeyfield Wessex in the Minster which has also become an annual event.

Well done to all the children and to the staff for ensuring they were so well rehearsed!!

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### Friends of St John's

A big thank you to everyone who helped out at our Christmas Fair, as well as those who donated cuddly animals (I hope you didn't end up going home with more than you got rid of!) and who came and supported us. We are delighted to announce the following winners:

Where in the World is Santa? - Edward (Giraffes)

Find the Lucky Stocking - Jessica (Snow Leopards)

Santa's Squares - Leo [Dolphins]

We'd also like to thank all those who donated gifts for our Christmas Hamper raffle and those who bought tickets at the Christmas performances, I'm sure the lucky winners were very pleased with their prizes.

The fair raised a wonderful £177.00, and the raffle £184.00, which as ever will go towards supporting our wonderful school.

Thank you again for all your support this term. Hope you all have a fun and relaxing (we can dream!) Christmas and New Year.

*Julia and Debs*

*The Friends of St Johns*



### Christingle Service

This will be held in St John's Church on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1.45pm. The children can be collected at the end of the service. All welcome. This year, we will be making a collection at the end of the service in aid of Julia's House.

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Peaceful New Year.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 is a training day; I look forward to welcoming the children back on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.



Yours sincerely

**Mrs K Anstey**  
**Head of School**