Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to you all for the donations to PFSM for the Christmas Fayre today. We have received lots of lovely items to use in our fayre next week and these will help raise vital funds for the school, as well as provide a great family activity next Friday after school. This week there has been lots going on and, in particular, most of our Year 6 children went on a residential to London. It was a jampacked itinerary with visits to The Tower of London, The Natural History Museum, watching the West End show Matilda and visiting Harry Potter Studios. The children had a fantastic time and we are very proud of how well they did and their behaviour. The theatre staff in Matilda even commented on the excellent behaviour of our school. A huge thank you also goes to all of the staff who gave up their time to attend the trip and make it possible, as well as all of the organisation that went into planning it.

**Upcoming events**
- Wednesday 27th November – Dunlins swimming
- Friday 29th November – Sports for Champions event and Christmas Fayre – 3.15pm - 5.30pm
- Wednesday 4th December – Dunlins swimming
- Wednesday 4th December – Year 4 parent event – 1.30pm

**Newsletter**
We have been made aware that some of our emails have been mislabeled and gone into junk mail boxes. Please check your Junk or Spam box to make sure you aren’t missing important information from school. You can find out more on our website [https://stmarysce.co.uk/useful-links/](https://stmarysce.co.uk/useful-links/)

**Sports for Champions**
Friday 29th November is our Sports for Champions day when we will visited by professional athlete Ezekiel Ewulo. As the day’s events will begin at 9am, can your child please come to school in their PE kit please? You may wish to provide them with school uniform to change into afterwards for the Christmas Fayre after school.

**Message from Mr Scarrett**
To all the Parents of St. Mary’s,
Thank you to all of you for your support over the years. It was lovely to see so many of you last week and to see the children was lovely as I have really missed them. Thank you to everyone who wrote messages and donated towards the gifts. I was completely overwhelmed by your kindness. The whisky glasses and whisky have already been put to good use. The voucher for the White Room is wonderful as I have benefitted since being off from their treatments and products. The electric hand warmer will be put to good use during the
hours that I spend over the winter, standing at the side of football/rugby pitches! I wish you all every success for the future.

Kindest regards

Adrian Scarrett

**Coats**
The weather is getting much colder (as well as staying wet!). Please ensure that children come to school with a warm, waterproof coat so that they are equipped to go outside during the school day. Thank you.

**Christmas dates**

*Friday 29th November* – Christmas Fayre – 3.15-5.30pm

*Thursday 5th December* – KS2 Advent Service – 9.10am (St. Mary’s Church) (unfortunately this event is not for parents)

*Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th December* – KS1 performances to parents – 2pm

*Friday 13th December* – School discos – 5-6.30pm FS &KS1; 7-8.30pm KS2

*Tuesday 17th December* – Foundation Stage performance to parents – 9.20am

*Tuesday 17th December* – KS2 Carols around the tree – 6pm

*Wednesday 18th December* – Christmas lunch for children

*Friday 20th December* – FS & KS1 Christingle Service – 9.10am (school hall)

*Friday 20th December* – KS2 Christingle Service – 2pm (St. Mary’s Church)

*Miss Tottle’s days at St. Mary’s next week are Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Friday 29th November.*