

Tomorrow, the last day of term **Friday 21st December** school will be **closing** at **12:30pm**

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We return on Monday 7th January at normal time
and are **closed on Friday 11th January** for an INSET day.



Please note, when we come back we are keeping the same 3 week lunch menu we have had this term. We will return on Monday 7th January to the week 1 menu.



Don't forget that from January 2019, St. Clement's Stay & Play will be running from the Free@Last building. The session will still be run by St. Clement's Pastoral Team and we hope to see you all there.

Using the community based building will give parents access to others services and a great range of resources for the Stay and Play sessions.

Safeguarding - Christmas Safety

Christmas Safety Christmas is a time when your home is likely to be full of people, and it's in the excitement of the season that accidents can easily happen. But one of the good things about Christmas is that there are typically more people around to supervise children and, with a little more care and forward planning, most accidents could be avoided.

Christmas Safety Tips

Follow these 12 safety tips to prevent your festivities being cut short by a trip to casualty:

- Make sure you buy children's gifts for the correct age group and from reputable retailers, and ensure they comply with safety standards. You can find more information on toy safety pages.
- Remember to buy batteries for toys that need them – that way you won't be tempted to remove batteries from smoke alarms.
- Look out for small items that could pose a choking hazard to young children, including parts that have fallen off toys or from Christmas trees, button batteries, and burst balloons.
- Keep decorations and cards away from fires and other heat sources such as light fittings. Don't leave burning candles unattended – make sure you put them out before going to bed – and do not put candles on Christmas trees.
- If you have old Christmas lights, consider replacing them with ones that meet a higher safety standard, and don't let children play with lights (incidents of swallowed bulbs).
- Beware of trailing cables and wires in the rush to connect new gadgets and appliances, and always read instructions
- Remember, Christmas novelties are not toys, even if they resemble them, and they do not have to comply with toy safety regulations. Give careful thought to where you display them – for example, place them high up on Christmas trees where they are out of the reach of young hands
- Give yourself enough time to prepare and cook Christmas dinner to avoid hot fat, boiling water and sharp knife accidents that come from rushing and keep anyone not helping with dinner out of the kitchen. Wipe up any spills quickly
- Have scissors handy to open packaging, so you're not tempted to use a knife, and have screwdrivers at the ready to assemble toys
- Falls are the most common accidents so try to keep clutter to a minimum. Make sure stairs are well-lit and free from obstacles, especially if you have guests
- Plan New Year fireworks parties well in advance and follow the Firework Code of Safety.
- Do not drink and drive and plan long journeys so you won't be driving tired and take plenty of rest stops.



Serving the local community in the name of Christ since 1859

20th December 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the newly appointed permanent Head Teacher of St. Clement's Church of England Primary Academy. I feel extremely honoured and privileged to have been chosen to continue and build upon the success of the school. I believe that the school should be a happy, caring, spiritual, respectful and hardworking environment, in which all staff should utilise their skills to enable the children in their care to recognise their true potential and talents. As a community, we should endeavour to celebrate the successes of our children in all areas of school life. We can do this by showing them that we believe in them, respect them and are proud of them. You can be assured that as Head Teacher, I will strive to create the best education for your child/children whilst they are members of our school family.

Our vision is to inspire happy, courageous, independent, curious and creative, life-long learners. We aim for all to achieve their full potential, striving both academically and socially with humility and dignity. We believe being anchored in Jesus Christ will guide us all with hope, compassion and wisdom in becoming successful members of a global community.

I truly believe in working together we can achieve the best possible outcomes for the children. I look forward to watching your children grow in confidence, knowledge and spirituality during their time at St. Clement's and will thank you in advance for the support I know you will give all members of our school community, in the years to come.

Please feel free to contact me at any time. To make an appointment, please speak to the Office staff.

Christmas Wishes
Miss Shryane



Our **values** focus this half term has been **Hope**
Look out for our new **value** focus next half term.



Learning for Life, Anchored in Christ

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Faith makes all things possible
Hope makes all things
Work, Love makes all things
Beautiful, May you have all the
three for this Christmas
Merry Christmas



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First Day Back
Monday 7th January 2018
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INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Friday 11th January 2018



We have finally arrived at the end of term and what a term it has been! Looking back through the newsletters I can hardly believe how many things the children have been involved in and how thoughtful all our families have been in giving so generously to all the charities we have supported through the term.

I would also like to thank those parents who supported our school at the Aston Parish Christmas service and our Christmas Concert the children were involved with. I know it means a lot to the children to receive all the wonderful support from their families.

I hope that you all have a lovely break over the Christmas period and get the chance to catch up with family and friends. We are looking forward to seeing you all back in January ready for the spring term.

**Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year to you all from
the Governors, staff and children here at St Clement's.**

Miss Shryane, Head Teacher



Thank you to all the families, staff and children who donated toys and gifts for the children and families at Birmingham Children's Hospital. You have brought joy to many people - Well Done!

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