



## Tonwell St Mary's CE (VC) Primary School

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'CURIOSITY, COURAGE, COMPASSION'

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear parents,

Thank you to school council for organising our non-uniform day for Children in Need and thank you for your donations. Classes have learned about some of the important work the charity does and our children have certainly shown our value of compassion today.



We marked remembrance day with the whole school coming together for two minutes' silence. Our children showed respectful behaviour and curiosity to learn more about this special day. It was lovely to see a picture of one of our children in a local parade.

Over the past week, we have been taking part in anti-bullying week to raise awareness of different types of bullying. This year's theme is 'Reach Out' and we have talked about ways we can reach out for help if we or anyone we know is being bullied. Children have completed a 'helping hand' to record trusted adults they can talk to at home and in school if there are ever worried or upset. Please do speak to your child about who they chose to go on their hand.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bridgman



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## Christingle Service

Bob Kelly who runs our Open the Book collective worship times will be leading a Christingle service at Holy Trinity, Bengeo on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November from 4pm-4.45pm. This is a lovely family service and children will be able to make their own Christingle to take home. Mrs Bridgman will be attending.

## Christmas Jumper Day

We are supporting the East and North Hertfordshire Hospitals' Charity to raise money for patients and staff at the Lister, New QEII, Hertford County Hospitals and Mount Vernon Cancer Centre this Christmas! Please bring £1 and wear your Christmas jumper on Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, our Christmas dinner day.

## Free Service and Support for Families

Please see the attached poster to access FREE fun family activities to do with your child and meet other local families with children the same age.

## A message from the F.O.T.

With the Christmas Fete fast approaching on the 9<sup>th</sup> December from 2.30pm - 4.15pm, please do come along and help us to raise money for our lovely school.

One of the raffle prizes we would like to offer this year is a Christmas hamper filled with all the wonderful festive non-perishable goodies. With this in mind, we are appealing to all parents/carers to kindly make a donation towards this. The items we are looking for but not limited to are as follows. If you are able to make a donation please could you let a member of the committee know so that it can be recorded. Committee Members are: Sophie, Zoe, Nicola, Katrina, Joanne

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|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Christmas Pudding        | Gravy                                    | Wine/Prosecco                        |
| Cream/Custard            | Stuffing                                 | Christmas Cake/Stollen/Yule Time Log |
| Minces Pies              | Selection of nuts (walnuts, peanuts etc) | Biscuits                             |
| Christmas table crackers | Chutneys                                 | Crackers                             |
| Cheese Selection         | Brandy Sauce                             | Chocolates                           |
| Dried Fruits             | Brandy Butter                            | Cranberry Sauce                      |

We are also seeking Tombola prizes and other raffles prizes, so if you or anyone/company that you know who would like to donate a prize please do contact them.

Examples of gifts:

### Children's Raffle

New and unopened toys  
Sweets  
Chocolate  
Stationary goods  
Books

### Adults' Raffle

Alcohol - wine, spirits, beers etc.  
Gift Vouchers  
Bath sets  
Chocolates  
Gift sets

Please can all donations be sent in to the school by the **6<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

A partner in the Thundridge and Tonwell St Mary's Church Schools' Federation

*'A community learning together in God's love'*



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### Key Dates

Please note that it is possible there may be some changes.

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| Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> November   | 4pm Christingle at Holy Trinity, Bengoe  |
| Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December    | INSET DAY                                |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December    | FOT Christmas Fair 2.30pm-4.15pm         |
| Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December  | 1.30pm Christmas Service at Holy Trinity |
| Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December   | Whole School Panto Trip – Hoddesdon      |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December | 1.15pm End of Term                       |
| Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January   | INSET DAY                                |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January     | Children return to school                |