



SHIPHAM C OF E FIRST SCHOOL
26 NOVEMBER 2014



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

SIAMS Inspection

The school is having a SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspection next Tuesday 2nd December. A SIAMS inspection focuses on the effect that the Christian ethos of the school has on the children who attend it. It is similar to an Ofsted inspection. The Inspector will be in the playground before and after school on Tuesday and may wish to speak to some parents. A SIAMS inspection aims to evaluate the distinctiveness and effectiveness of the school as a church school. A report will be written and published on the website later this term.

Children in Need

A big thank you to all the children (and some adults) who dressed up as superheroes for Children in Need. The Mufti Day and cake sale raised £112.



Photographer

A reminder that school photographs need to be returned to the school office by Thursday 27th November. Late orders will need to be sent to the photographer direct and may incur late fees from the photographer.

ROMAN DAY

Blackrock enjoyed a Roman Day on Thursday 20th November. To see more photos, visit our website www.shiphamfirst.co.uk



Christmas Play Arrangements

By the beginning of next week the children will be given a costume to bring home, or instructions of what costume to provide. Could you please wash the costume as it has been in our shed, and make sure it fits your child. We would like the costumes returned to the school (in a named bag) by **Monday 8th December**.

Performances – in the Church

Wednesday 10th December – First Performance – Dress rehearsal at 2pm

This is an opportunity for parents to bring their pre-school children to enjoy the show. Children attending Shipham Pre-School will be there to watch. Children will be brought back to school and collected from there at 3.15pm. All costumes will come home with the children to be tidied up before

Thursday 11th December - Evening Performance at 6.00pm

Children – wearing their costumes – to arrive at church no earlier than 5.45pm.

Please return all costumes – in good, clean condition - to the school by **Monday 15th December**.



Cheddar Garden Centre

A partnership has been agreed with Cheddar Garden Centre, where we hope to use their expertise to support the new curriculum and the children's learning. We have arranged a competition for the children and to take their entries to the garden centre before 12th December. The wordsearch and shape finder game will be coming home with them this week. A winner will be drawn in the final week of term and will win a prize worth £25.



Good luck to everyone!

DIARY DATES NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2014

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| 30 th November | Pre-School Christmas Bonanza, Shipham Village Hall from 11am |
| 10 th December | Christmas Nativity Dress Rehearsal in church 2pm |
| 11 th December | Christmas Nativity Evening Performance in church 6pm |
| 17 th December | FOSS Christmas Raffle |
| 18 th December | Christmas party for the children in the afternoon |
| 19 th December | Puppet show for the children at Draycott |
| 19 th December | Carol Service in church at 2:30pm |
| 22 nd December | Christmas holiday begins Return to school 5 th January 2015 |

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