

### DIARY DATES

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> 4.20pm TG choir singing at Stratford Victorian market Sat 9<sup>th</sup> 4.15pm Round Table Santa Run Sat 9<sup>th</sup> & Sun 10<sup>th</sup> **Bidford Christmas Tree** Festival Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Christmas post box open for deliveries Mon 11<sup>th</sup> 2pm KS1 dress rehearsal Tues 12<sup>th</sup> 2pm & 6pm Stable Story—KS1 performance Wed 13<sup>th</sup> 12.30pm Choir on tour Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> 12.30pm Panto at The Barn Sat 16<sup>th</sup> 11am Choir singing at Hillers Farm Shop Sun 17<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm Christingle at St Andrew's Mon 18<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm KS2 dress rehearsal

Our musicians will be sharing their talents in Celebration assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 2.45pm

## NEWSLETTER

#### PTA Christmas Cracker



A huge thank you to everyone involved in making the PTA Christmas Fair such a fantastic success. It was lovely to welcome so many families into school last Friday evening and all money raised will go towards supporting our school.

#### Pantomime Trip

Next Thursday afternoon, the school has been invited to watch a festive pantomime at The Barn Baptist church in Bidford. We will be taking the children by coach to and from Bidford; returning in time for the end of the school day. If any parents would like to accompany us we have spaces for eight volunteers to come along



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#### **Class 4 Visit to the RSC**



Last night, Class 4 attended a fantastic performance of A Christmas Carol at the RSC in Stratford. We would just like to let you know how proud we are of our children's behaviour which was commended by many members of the public; it was an absolute pleasure and privilege to accompany the children to the theatre.

#### **Christmas Post**

A reminder that our smart new Christmas post box will be arriving outside the TG school office from Monday and will be in operation for the last two weeks of term. Children are most welcome to post their Christmas cards in the box. **Please make sure that cards are clearly addressed with the name and class of the intended recipient**. It is also useful to add surnames as in some classes there is more than one child with the same first name.



#### Round Table Santa Run



The weather forecast is suggesting a chilly evening for our Round Table Santa Run tomorrow evening. The route is starting in Bidford at 4.15pm meeting just off Grafton Lane . We would very much welcome any adult volunteers who would be willing to give up a couple of hours on Saturday to help spread some festive cheer around Bidford. If you are going to come along, please make sure you are wrapped up warmly. By

taking part in this event we have also helped to raise around £300 for our school funds each year.

#### **Christingle Service**

This year the St Andrew's Christingle service is taking place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that there has been a slight change in the timing and the service will now start a little earlier at 3:30pm. We plan to make the Christingles in school next Friday morning and we would be very grateful for any adult volunteers who would be able to help with the Christingle production. Please let the office know if you are able to help.





DECEMBER

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> 7pm Ali Baba and The Banjo Bandits - KS2 performance

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> 2pm & 7pm** Ali Baba and The Banjo Bandits - KS2 performance

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> 4.15pm Choir singing at Budgens

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> 12pm

School Christmas lunch

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> 9,15am

Carol Service St Andrew's

#### END OF TERM

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#### Welcome to Mrs Miles

Temple Grafton

Church of England Primary School



We are very pleased to inform you that a new teaching assistant has been appointed for Class1. Mrs Miles will be joining at the start of the next term.

#### Emergency Closure

As the weather is turning increasingly wintery, please make sure that we have your up to date contact details in school.

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As we have done in previous years, we would recommend that all parents sign up to the Warwickshire County Council school closures notification system for

parents. The system only takes 30 seconds to sign up to via text and will then automatically send you a closure alert text once the school has notified them about an emergency closure. The system allows you to subscribe to more than one school so will be of benefit to those of you with older children at secondary school.



In order to register for the service for Temple Grafton C of E Primary School, text 'schclosures 9373066 ON' to 07950 081082. To unsubscribe from the service text 'schclosures 9373066 OFF' to the same number. 9373066 is specific to our school, visit http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures to find the number needed for other schools.

We will also update the school website with any closure information.

#### Christmas E-Safety Advice



Have you finished your Christmas shopping yet? Planning to spend a couple of hours in a Christmas Market or even on Amazon? This Christmas there will be more tech toys than ever before, and many of them will use bluetooth or Wi-Fi to link to apps and the wider internet. Some of these toys will have cameras and microphones recording the

environment and the child's play. The Information Commissioner recently published an article looking at the risks of using smart, we have been advised to share this with you. Please follow the link below

https://iconewsblog.org.uk/2017/11/23/the-12-ways-that-christmas-shoppers-can-keep -children-and-data-safe-when-buying-smart-toys-and-devices/

Which? Magazine have also surveyed many connected toys and found that, without appropriate safety features, they can also pose a big risk to your child's safety.

The Which video below shows just how easy it is for anyone to take over the voice control of a popular connected toy, and speak

directly to children. Which? found that it is easy enough for almost anyone to do, not only skilled hackers.

https://www.which.co.uk/news/2017/11/safetyalert-see-how-easy-it-is-for-almost-anyone-tohack-your-childs-connected-toys/

Star of The Week	
Poppy Tatlow Class 1	
Ava Sargent Class 2	
Aimee Moody Class 3	
Flynn Dathan Class 4	

\*\*If you, your child or any member of your family have difficulty in accessing the school and/or the school's facilities and services, please contact the School Office for assistance.\*\*