

Diary Dates:
Sharing Assemblies

Maple Tree Class
**Tuesday 14th
January**

Palm Tree Class
**Tuesday 28th
January**

Cherry Tree Class
**Tuesday 11th
February**

Swimming Spring 1

Elm Tree Class

INSET Day
Monday 6th
January

**Children Back to
School**
Tuesday 7th
January

**Our Attendance Award for the w/c
9th December went to:**

MAPLE - 100%

Well done to **Maple Tree Class** for
their high attendance.

**Rights Respecting Article for
w/c 6th January
Article 5**

Parental Guidance

Governments must respect the rights
and responsibilities of parents to guide
and advise their child so that, as they
grow, they learn to apply their rights
properly.

The British Value for the week is:
Individual Liberty

**GOLDEN CUPS for Behaviour for the
w/c 9th December**



went to:

**WILLOW & PALM
CLASSES**



Spanish word of the week:



Orejas

Ears

**Autumn 2 Newsletter 4
Thursday 19th December 2019**

Message from the Headteacher

Dear SJB Parents and Carers,

Our first term is coming to an end and what a way to end it. As
always, we have been very busy and if you attended any of our
Christmas concerts this week, you would have seen all the hard work
and determination of our children pay off. The concerts were a
joyous celebration and showed off our talents and the lovely
support from our families. It was a pleasure to watch the different
stories and hear the beautiful songs that they have been rehearsing.
Well done SJB!

It was also great to see so many parents for our Parent Consultation
evening last Tuesday. We hope you found the meetings with your
child's teacher to be helpful and has provided you with a sense of
the progress in their learning. Thank you also for the many surveys
and chats on the evening.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this
term. It has been wonderful to see parents and families involved with
the school - from helping us with donations to attending our events.
The SJB community is a very active and giving one. I hope it
continues to grow this way.

Have a lovely break, full of mince pies, presents and lots of Christmas
cheer. We will see you all in the new year and the new decade -
2020!

Best wishes,
Toni Mason

St John the Baptist Belief of the Week for w/c 6th January 2020

Determination

Work hard and try our best so we can be proud of ourselves and our work.

'Christ gives me the strength to face anything.'

Philippians 4:13

Ufton Court



Our second residential for Ufton Court left on Monday and returned yesterday. They have been very active. They

have been building shelters, getting to know different animals at the farm, archery and starting their own fires. They also enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner and loved going to breakfast in their pyjamas.



Pantomime



Last week the whole school was treated

to a Pantomime held in school. The children absolutely loved watching 'Beauty and the Beast' being performed by West End Pantomimes in School. It was a wonderful experience for every class - lots of engagement, laughing and excited screaming.

Christmas at SJB!



The school Christmas Bazaar last Friday was fun

and full of the Christmas spirit. We had a Bottle Tombola, Reindeer Head Throw, Santa's Grotto and of course our Raffle. A huge thank you to everyone who donated towards the bazaar and to the parents who helped out with the refreshments.

Thank you to everyone who donated towards our Christmas Jumper Day. We managed to raise over £100 for Children in Need and lots of food donations for the Hackney Foodbank.

We had our delicious Christmas Dinner on Tuesday. There was roast turkey, vegetable tart, roast potatoes and of course carrots and Brussel sprouts. For dessert, there was Christmas pudding, mince pies and Arctic roll!

Christmas at St John's Church

- Christmas Family Movie Night - **Friday 20th December, 6-8:30 pm**
- Scratch Nativity - **Sunday 22nd December at 9:30 am and 11:30 am** (Come dressed up!)
- Crib Service - **Christmas Eve, 4:00 pm**
- Christmas Day Family Service - **10:30 am**



Christmas Concerts



Our Christmas concerts this week were a spectacle and were amazing to watch.

We had the Years 1, 2 & 3 Christmas Concert on Monday afternoon where they told the story of a lost Robin who found her way to a very special place by following a bright star. She found her way to the stable where Jesus was born. Throughout the story, the Robin comes across some important figures from the Nativity.



The EYFS Christmas Concert yesterday morning did a beautiful retelling of the Nativity. We had Mary and Joseph along with the Shepherds, the Three Wise Men and lots of angels.

Years 4, 5 & 6 had their Christmas Concert yesterday afternoon and told a story of two children who



travelled back in time to when

Jesus was born, with the help of an angel. They learnt about Jesus's birth and the journey that Mary, Joseph, the Shepherds and Three Wise Men

took.

We would like to thank all our families who came to support the children and watch their performances. They have been working so hard with their lines and songs. A special thank you to the staff as well for their effort.

On behalf of everyone at SJB, we wish all our children, families and community a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We hope you all have a wonderful break.