



Learning and Growing Together
in Faith and Friendship

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Principal - Mrs L Hamilton

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Dear Parents

As we come to the end of the Autumn Term, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the children on their hard work, good behavior and progress this term. I would also like to offer a heartfelt thank you to all our families for your support throughout the term and also during the busy Christmas period. We have had a prayerful Advent and a very special Christmas week – I hope that the children have enjoyed themselves.

School reopens for staff and children on Monday 6th January 2020 and I know that the children will continue to work hard and do their very best in January. As well as welcoming Miss Mogford to Reception, we also welcome Mrs Murray who will work part time as a Home School Link Worker. She will be able to provide support to children and families on a wide range of topics; please contact the office or your child's teacher if you would like to talk to her.

Today the children will bring home their termly attendance cards which enable you to see what your child's attendance is from September until Wednesday 18th December. We drew our attendance raffles this morning – congratulations to our winners. A reminder that at Easter, we will hold another attendance raffle for the Spring Term only. This means that, even if your child has struggled with their attendance this term, they start afresh in January.

On a personal note, thank you for all your good wishes as I begin my maternity leave. I am very much hoping to have had the baby by the time you return to school and I am sure that Mrs Farmer and Mrs Wilson will keep you updated.

Attached to this letter are the Mass times for our parish over the Christmas period. I know that Fr Julian will be delighted to see our families at Mass.

I wish you all a happy, holy and peaceful Christmas and all the very best for 2020.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Hamilton
Principal

