Year 6 weekly news 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> December

This week I would like to focus on the Christmas performance. Firstly, and most importantly, I would like to thank the children for the amazing job that they all did, remembering their lines, singing so beautifully and acting/performing so well. Secondly, I would like to thank you, their parents, for getting their costumes/outfits ready, bringing them to Church on an appalling evening — weather wise and for being an attentive and supportive audience. I would also like to thank Fr Dave and the Parish stewards who did a sterling job in organising everyone, in Church, to help us maintain safe practices during this difficult time and also a huge thanks to Fr Dave for allowing us to use the Church in the first place. It really does make the Nativity extra special. And finally, I would like to thank Mrs Truran and Mrs Orwin for helping to set up Church before the performance and operating the multiple music systems.

We did encounter a number of technical hitches during the dress rehearsal and some minor glitches during the evening's performance but despite this the children continued in a calm and collected manner and sang out load without any fuss-amazing! As expected at this time of year we did have a number of absences and some of the children stepped up to the mark to deliver the lines of those who were not able to attend and did a fantastic job of learning extra lines and knowing where they should be at the right time in such a short amount of time-quite remarkable. The dress rehearsal was videoed and details will be sent home once this is available to view on the school's website.

The children have been completing assessments this week and are relieved that these are almost over. Next week will be our last in school before the Christmas Holidays and along with their usual lessons there will be a sprinkling of Christmas cheer as we complete a number of festive activities and even have an afternoon when we relax a little and watch the film of this term's class reader Holes. As this is a PG I will not be showing it if anyone would prefer that their child does not watch it. Would you please email me at <a href="mailto:y6@stoswaldscatholicprimary.co.uk">y6@stoswaldscatholicprimary.co.uk</a> if you would not like your child to watch Holes and I will change the film to a festive one with a U rating.

Have a fun filled weekend,

Mrs Crook