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Dear Parents

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019

### Final sleeps....

The week started with Christmas parties – with a special visit from Father Christmas along with a visit to The Sherman to see The Snow Queen for the Juniors. Huge numbers of children and staff enjoyed Christmas Dinner on Wednesday and I would like to say thanks to the kitchen staff for putting on such an amazing meal with such high numbers. We had our carols around the tree with Grandparents this morning and this afternoon, St Cyres' wind band visited and entertained us all with a fantastic medley of Christmas songs to send us off for the holidays.

Well done to all the children with 100% attendance for the Autumn Term. (See Twitter for pictures). Children who have achieved over 97% have also been recognised as we continue to emphasise the importance of being in school every day possible.

### Thank you!

We are always grateful for your generosity and yet again have been overwhelmed with your cards, gifts and kind messages. On behalf of all the staff a huge thank you! Also thank you for supporting our Christmas Jumper Day – the money raised will be sent to Save the Children. As you know, we attempted a Christmas Jumper swap this year with a few successful swaps. We would like to do this again this year so please hang on to this year's jumpers!

### Goodbye PC Emma

PC Emma Mudie has been a regular visitor to our school for a number of years and has educated hundreds if not thousands of our pupils in her role as school liaison officer. This has covered all manner of topics including anti-social behaviour, danger stranger, drugs and alcohol misuse and cyber safety. PC Emma has decided to leave the police force and she joined us for our worship yesterday where we presented her with some flowers and a giant card from all the children. We wish her lots of luck for the future and thank her for all her support over the years.

**A final message from me.**

The Autumn Term is a long and busy one but the period of Advent is also such a lovely time to spend with children. As their excitement builds, amidst the concerts and parties, we try to remind them of the true meaning of Christmas whilst they also have fun with their friends. It is a privilege and a pleasure to be Headteacher of this school and to strive to provide our pupils with the best opportunities and experiences possible. However, without the hard work and dedication of the staff, governors and also our many volunteers it would not be possible and for this I thank them. We are also very grateful for the continued support from you, our families and I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for this. In amongst the hustle and bustle of the season, I really hope you find plenty of time to enjoy your time together as families.

We look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 7th January** (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> is an INSET day). Wishing you all a happy and peaceful Christmas!

Yours faithfully,



Headteacher

*Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.'* (Matthew 1:23)

