

# St Mary's Church

11th Christmas Tree Festival

24th to 25th November



and



1st to 2nd December



Saturday 24th Nov 10.30am to 6pm

Sunday 25th Nov 2pm to 4pm

Saturday 1st Dec 10.30am to 12.30pm

Coffee and cake stall

Sunday 2nd Dec\* 2pm to 5pm

\* Followed by Advent Carol Service 6pm

Free entry - Programme €2

Theme: Favourite Book or Poem

- Christmas Fair
- Refreshments
- Vote for favourite tree

Proceeds to:
Beachy Head Chaplaincy
and
Battle Health Pathway Project



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### Recent & Upcoming Birthdays...

Oscar

Winnie

Caelan

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Buster

Maya

Gwendolyn



#### **School Photos**

We hope to receive the "sale or return" photo packs by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. You will be able to buy the entire pack, or individual photos if you'd prefer. For enquiries and purchases please speak to Georgia or

### Information Sharing

Thank you for your brilliant response in starting to return the Parents Voice and Home Learning sheets. Don't forget that you can always share information, trips, events and family news with us via your child's Tapestry account too!

## Newsletter: November 2018

#### What's Happening This Term...

With a long term ahead (almost 8 weeks!), we will certainly be in the Christmas spirit come the end of it! There will be lots of different activities available for the children to engage in, and you will slowly see Christmas resources being added to the environment, including, as always, our role play stable area!

We will also be working on making decorations for our tree for the Christmas Tree Festival. The children have chosen their favourite story, and after much deliberation they have voted Stick Man as our theme for this year! The sticks from your Autumn Homework Bags will certainly be coming in handy! The Festival will run on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>

December and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December (see details overleaf). Please do pop down and vote for your favourite tree (did I mention our will be the Stick Man one?!) if you get a chance!

### **Dates for Your Diary:**

Friday 16th November - Children in Need

The children are welcome to come to pre-school in pjs or onesies!

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Welly Walk/Christmas Tree Festival Set-Up

We will be walking to St Mary's Church to decorate our tree for the Festival.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Battle Baptist Church Christingle Service (10am)

Every child will have an opportunity to make a Christingle if they wish. This is a family friendly service, all ages welcome. Refreshments will follow afterwards.

Friday 7th December - Stay and Play Session (9am-10:30am)

All Parents are carers are welcome to stay and play! Please feel free to come along with your child even if they do not usually attend pre-school on a Friday morning.

Friday 14th December - Singing at 'Friday Lunch Club'

Every Friday the elderly people of the church have lunch in the Manor House. We will be paying a visit (with our instruments) to spread the Christmas cheer!

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Open Afternoon 1:45pm-3pm
All children and families are invited to our open afternoon, where there will be refreshments to enjoy, the children will be singing some Christmas songs and Santa will make a visit with gifts for all the children! This is our last day of term.

Sunday 23rd December - Family Carol Service (4pm)

The pre-school children will have an opportunity to dress up (costumes provided) and sing on stage at the service. There will then be a Christmas service featuring the Christmas Story and refreshments will follow afterwards.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - Term 3 Begins

### Physical Activities: Toy Library

Over the past two years we have worked hard to secure additional funding from East Sussex County Council to help us provide targeted support around our children's physical development. We have used some of the money to buy a variety of toys and equipment, and we are able to lend this out to you for your children to use at home! Please find the selection in the Physical Activity Choosing Book on the white board.

### Battle Christmas Tree Festival

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November we will be taking our older children (3 and 4 year olds) to St Mary's Church to decorate our tree for the Christmas Tree Festival. If your child usually attends pre-school on a Friday morning and you would like to accompany us, please write your name on the sheet on the white board. We rely on parent helpers to be able to facilitate these activities, so please do help if you can. **Thank you**.