

# Eastcombe News

## Foreword from the Head

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### Stained Glass Windows:

This week the Stroud News and Journal published an article about our wonderful Stained Glass Windows. Take a look!

### New Families:

This week we have welcomed Clara and Luisa to Eastcombe Primary School and in January we will be welcoming Isla who will join Year 2. Our school family continues to grow. I hope they and their families enjoy their time with us.

### Parent Pay:

A reminder that we will be using Parent Pay in January. Eventually we will be using this system for all payments, letters, consent forms, text messages etc. It is therefore essential you have signed up and activated your accounts. Thank you to everyone who has done so, we are almost at 100%!!

### Parking Reminder:

Please can we be courteous when parking. We like to keep our neighbour's happy, so please don't block their driveways. Thank you.

All that is left for me to say is Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I hope you have a restful and healthy holiday, celebrating with loved ones. There is much to look forward to in the new year and we will welcome back the children on Tuesday 7th January 2020.

Mrs Jones

## Christmas Activities Week

We have had a fantastic week in school. Every morning the children have worked in their different activity groups creating seasonal crafts to take home. They have made fudge, crackers, calendars, cards, tree hangings, weavings and pom pom snowmen and reindeer! We couldn't hold this creative week in school without an army of helpers. Throughout this week we have welcomed over 10 helpers each day to run activities. Thank you to everyone who has helped out, we really appreciate it. Pictures of our crafts are on Facebook.

## Caterlink

We welcomed Caterlink into school on Thursday afternoon to offer tasters of our new school dinners. We will be using Caterlink as a company from January 2020 and are looking forward to the new opportunities this brings. The children loved the food on offer!

Thank you to Thomas Keble for providing our meals over recent years and enabling us to offer hot school dinners. Rob, Jo and the team at TK have done a great job.

## Diary Dates

### January 2020:

Mon 6th—INSET DAY  
Tues 7th—Start of term 3  
Weds 8th—Stemworks K'Nex workshop Owl Class  
Fri 17th—Young Voices for Badgers Class (Y456)  
Weds 29th—Y6 fundraiser meal at Egypt Mill

### February 2020:

Fri 14th—Half Term  
Mon 24th—Start of term 4



## Nativity

There wasn't a dry eye in the room on Wednesday when the whole school performed 'The Landlords Cat'.

This is an adaptation of the traditional Nativity where at a certain Bethlehem inn, the landlord's cat is so fed up with the hectic atmosphere and being ignored by his owner, that he is on the verge of leaving town. However, with the arrival of Mary and Joseph in the stable, as well as wise men and shepherds, the cat senses that something very special is about to happen. The children performed fantastically well and took the roles of acting, singing, soloists, playing the piano and narrating. We were also treated to a musical recital by Owl Class.

Thank you to the staff for putting on a great show!

Well done everyone, this was a perfect part of our Christmas and end of term celebrations.

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