## **Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School**

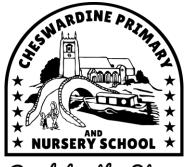
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Reach for the Stars

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Dear Parents / Carers

## Merry Christmas from all of us and a Happy New year.

It has been a very strange term and definitely not the way we would have liked it to end with attendance so low and lots of you suffering from COVID and isolation rules. I hope things improve for you all over the next couple of weeks and you get to enjoy Christmas with your family and friends.

As a school we are sad to say goodbye to our two Class 1 teachers Mrs Jones and Mrs Bickerstaffe. We thank them for all their hard work over the years and wish them every success in their future endeavours.

Despite things being slightly strange over the last two weeks it has been lovely to hear the children in school gearing up for Christmas. Class 1 enjoyed an online pantomime yesterday, donated by the West Midland's Children's Theatre Company, so they did get to shout at the characters, join in with the songs and laugh at the jokes at least this year. The other children in school should get to enjoy the pantomime today. Also yesterday I could hear Miss Gray on a Teams call with Class 2/3 getting them to enjoy some Christmas singing together and tell her all their Christmas wishes, which they all really enjoyed. Thank you to the PTA for donating Christmas presents for every child, these went out yesterday and if your child is not in school they will still be here to take home in January!

Well done to the PTA for working so hard on Saturday  $4^{th}$  December at a walking Christmas Fayre in the village, it was a lovely event and culminated with the lighting of the Christmas lights, well done everyone involved.

We are due back to school on Wednesday January  $5^{th}$  and I really hope all children will return to school then. There will be a new Contingency Plan in place, reviewed to reflect the concerns over the new variant and it will be important for everyone to read it and be ready. This should be reviewed and sent out today, but will definitely be on the website and on dojos before January  $5^{th}$ .

Take care and enjoy the Christmas break,

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Rachael Williams (Executive Headteacher)



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