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ADVENT

This last week has marked the start of the Advent Season. At school we have been thinking about the four policies of advent

Worship fully. Christmas begins and ends with Jesus.

Spend less. Feel less stress and focus upon the things that matter to Jesus.

Give more. Offer one another presence rather than mere presents.

Love all. Love the forgotten, the poor, the elderly and the sick in the way Jesus has asked us to.

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 1st December are as follows:

Year R 95.3%	Year 1 92%	Year 2 96.4%	Year 3 100%
Year 4 95.6%	Year 5 98.3%	Year 6 100%	97.1%

Well done to Years 3 and 6 for 100% attendance.

Whole school attendance this academic year: 94%

HUGE THANKS TO BROWN & BRIGHT SHELLFISH LTD AND ALF RESCO

A great big thank you goes to Mr and Mrs Brown (Grace and Millie's parents) for treating the whole school to Christmas dinner, they have very generously offered to pay for everyone and another big thank you to Alf Resco for donating the Christmas crackers for the Christmas dinner.

CHRISTMAS AT COMMUNITY CORNER

If you have any spare, unloved or unused toys, games, cuddly toys etc that are in good condition then please bring them into school where we are collecting them for Christmas for our local families who may not otherwise be able to afford them.

WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL MULTI-SKILLS CLUB

There will be no multi-skills club after school next Wednesday 13th December as it is the Christmas Dinner and Party Day. Please pick your child up at normal school time.

ROCK AROUND THE FLOCK - TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Next Tuesday will be the Rock around the Flock performance at 2.15pm and 6pm. Class 1 will be leaving school at 1.15pm to allow the children plenty of time to walk down and get changed at the church. Please could we have offers of help with walking the children down. There will be two groups:- Class 1 at 1.15pm and Classes 2 and 3 at 1.45pm. Thank you

CHRISTINGLE

All the children enjoyed a very moving Christingle service to mark the beginning of the season of Advent. Thank you for your support with making the Christingles.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY – THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER 1.45PM

Class 3 will be hosting their party for Senior Citizens on Thursday 14th December afternoon. Please help your child provide the requested food item. This event is always well attended and appreciated by the more senior members of the school community.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ava Francis for completing her Bookrack at Dartmouth Library, she has read 100 books. She was awarded with her certificate and badge by Megan from the Library.

COMMUNITY CHEST MUFTI DAY

Next Friday it will be a mufti day to raise money for the Community Chest in order to buy Christmas dinner for those less fortunate. Please come into school wearing something with a Christmas theme (jumper, hat or just a bit of tinsel in your hair) and donate a £1 please.

ST JOHN'S FACEBOOK PAGE

We have a St John's Facebook page for last minute reminders and information. Please join the group at 'Friends of St Johns Dartmouth'

THE GIVING MACHINE

Please don't forget to use the 'giving machine' website when shopping.

www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 12 th Dec	'Rock around the Flock' Nativity 2.15pm and 6pm
Wed 13 th Dec	Whole school Christmas Dinner
Thurs 14 th Dec	Senior Citizens Party 1.45pm
Fri 15 th Dec	Last day of school (Community Chest Mufti Day)
Wed 3 rd Jan 2018	Non-pupil day
Thurs 4 th Jan	Children back to school