

# Great Bowden Academy

A Church of England Primary School



Dear Parents and carers

We are nearly at the end of the Autumn Term and rapidly approaching Christmas. It has been lovely to see so many of you at the Christmas Nativity and Advent Window. Thank you very much to the PTA for organizing the Advent Window and to everyone who supported it.

### Commissioning Service.

Thank you to everyone who came along to Church to welcome Mrs Dewes into her new role. It was a lovely service and an affirmation of the link between Church and school.

### Staffing

Mrs Sally Gamble will be returning from her maternity leave after Christmas but will be taking on a new role. She will be leading the Forest school on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Mrs Sarah Walker will therefore be continuing to teach in Class 2 alongside Mrs Hooper. We will also be welcoming Mrs Emma Moss as a Teaching Assistant. Mrs Beth Prince has moved from her role as Mid -day Supervisor to Kitchen Assistant.

### Class 1 visit the Church



*Class 1 enjoyed finding out what happens at a baptism. They learnt how the Church celebrates a new baby.*



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### Visit to Leicester Cathedral for the Advent Service

Six members of the Worship team went with Mrs Dewes to the Advent Service for the Leicester Diocese Church Schools on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. The theme was “Homes” and the Bishop came to talk about the importance of homes. Afterwards we were invited to go and see the “John Lewis Installation” which had been put inside the Cathedral to encourage people to reflect about homes.

### **Dates for the diary:**

- 11<sup>th</sup> December – Bikeability all week (Y6)
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children (bring £1)
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Enterprise sale after school
- 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner (details to follow)
- 19<sup>th</sup> December – Aladdin by PALS Productions in school (details to follow)
- 20<sup>th</sup> December – Break up for Christmas holidays

We would finally like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and a reminder that school starts again after the holidays on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January.



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