

## Newsletter: 12th January 2018

*Achieving More Together as God's Children*

### Headteacher's News:

Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope you had a restful break and are looking forward to the very busy term ahead.

In December we said a fond farewell to Mrs Davey who retired after nearly 18 Years at St John's. She is spending some time travelling but we hope to see her working some days in school in the future. Mrs Moan also left on Maternity Leave in December to have twins. We are all looking forward to meeting the new arrivals.

Please could I remind you that Headteachers are not allowed to authorise holidays in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you are planning to take a holiday in term time, please could you pop in for a form and speak to me. **Thank you for your co-operation.**

### School News:

#### Gymnastics

Key Stage 1 began their Gymnastics after-school club this week. They were really excited and had a wonderful first week.



#### Eucharist Preparation

Year 4 began their Eucharist Preparation sessions with Revd. David this week. These sessions will finish with Year 4 leading our whole school Eucharist Service in St John's Church on Thursday 8th February at 9.30am.

### For children starting school in September

Please could we remind you that if your child is 5 on or between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, applications will close midnight 15 January 2018.

Please apply online by visiting [www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.durham.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

### Diary Dates:

- Mon 15th Jan - Applications close for Reception Admissions
- Wed 17th Jan - Yr 1 Visit to Durham Castle  
Revd. David's After School Club  
KS1 Gymnastics Club
- Wed 24th Jan - KS1 Gymnastics Club
- Wed 31st Jan - Revd. David's After School Club  
KS1 Gymnastics Club
- Wed 7th Feb - KS1 Gymnastics After School
- Tues 6th Feb - Safer Internet Day

**School closes on Friday 9th February  
Re-Opens Monday 19th February 2018**

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Christingle collection. You helped raise an amazing **£135.94** which was sent to The Children's Society.  
**Thank you.**



### Star of the Week - 12th January 2018

- Reception - Tyler
- Year 1 - Elliott
- Year 2 - James
- Year 3 - Declan
- Year 4 - Toby  
Tyler-Jay
- Year 5 - Riley
- Year 6 - Ethan

