



# Swaffham Prior Newsletter

December 2020

## What a Term!

This term has been unlike any other we have had before. However, despite the many challenges we have had, there is much to celebrate too. The children have been remarkably resilient and have adapted to the new routines with ease. After a very long absence for many, they have quickly immersed themselves in their learning and they should be proud of the progress they have made...we certainly are!

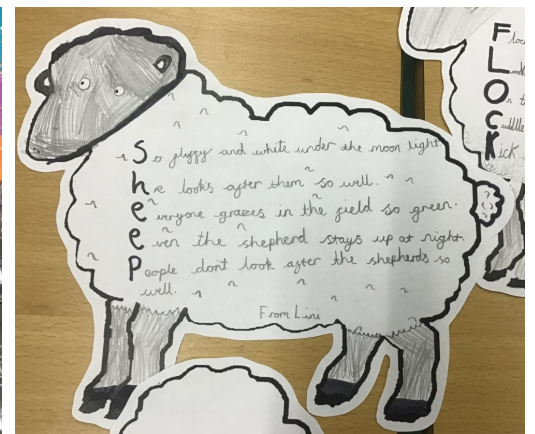
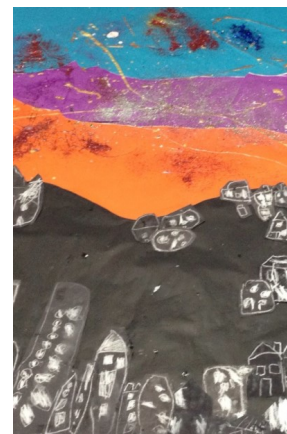
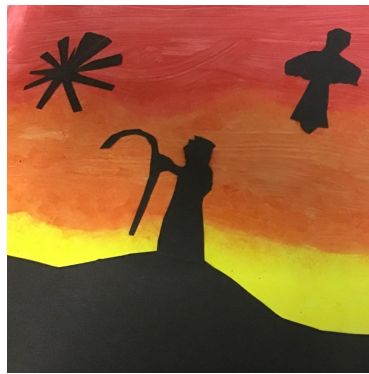


## Nativity Trail

This year, as you will be aware, we have collaborated with Reverend Sue and Swaffham Bulbeck School to create a nativity trail with eight stations in both villages.

The Swaffham Primaries Partnership nativity trail is now LIVE! QR codes have been attached to nativity figure cut outs around the village.

Use the attached map to navigate the trail and listen as the story of Christmas comes alive through the children's songs.





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## School Uniform

Thank you all for your efforts to ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform or school PE kit each day. If you are buying new uniform, please make sure it is in line with our policy—below. We have a selection of used uniform available at school. Uniform and book bags bearing our school logo can also be purchased from Mapac—[www.mapac.com](http://www.mapac.com).

School Uniform	PE Kit
Red polo shirt (with or without school logo)	Red round-neck t-shirt (with or without school logo)
Red jumper or cardigan (with or without school logo)	Black shorts
Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore ( <b>not</b> jogging bottoms or leggings)	Black jogging bottoms or leggings
Grey/red tights or grey/white socks	Black or red sweatshirt
Black shoes, not boots, with child-friendly fastenings	Trainers with child-friendly fastenings
Hair accessories in school colours	

## Key Dates

**18th December** Last day of Autumn term

**4th January** INSET day

**5th January** First day of Spring term

## ParentPay

The ParentPay transition period will finish at the end of this school term. We will no longer be checking meal bookings during registration from January 2021.

All year groups must book meals in advance - the deadline for booking meals for the first week of term will be midnight on Tuesday 29th December 2020. week. Please feel free to book meals into the future.

## It's Christmas!

The last two weeks in school have been full of Christmas celebrations. We have had a wonderful Christmas dinner, Christmas jumper day, prepared for and recorded our songs for the Stations of the Nativity, made decorations, had Christmas parties, and even a visit from Father Christmas!

## Welcome

In January, we will be welcoming Mr Bright, who will be teaching Year 5 every morning and also supporting Year 5 and 6 in small groups in the afternoons.

## Lastly...

Thank you for all the thoughtful Christmas gifts and messages. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas. Rest, stay safe and we will see you when school reopens on **Tuesday 5th January**.

## Covid Update

When we return in January, we are asking that all parents/carers wear a face covering at drop offs and pick ups.

