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Dear Parents,

Christmas is nearly here and we have had a glittery, festive few weeks at school with our Christmas fairs, discos, performances, services and parties. We have had a wonderful time and have been delighted to have so many parents, governors and families able to join us for celebrations.

This morning the infants had their special Christmas service led by Mrs Cowan. Earlier, the junior school had a Christingle Service where each class shared a Christingle thank you message and unaccompanied gentle song in the darkened hall lit only by our Christingle candles - a time of quiet reflection and spirituality.

Sending you all our very best wishes for a happy and peaceful holiday and our thanks for your support to school this term. Thank you also to all the staff for their professionalism, dedication and care. It is now time for a well-earned rest for all!

We look forward to a Happy New Year 2018 appropriately starting term 3 with our next School Value of Optimism and Hopefulness!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sue Parker,
Associate Headteacher,
High Down Schools

Junior School Golden Book Children

8th December 2017

Years 3 and 4 – Ellie & Amber 3L, Euan & Maria 3R, Emily & Reuben 3W, Jasper & Kieron 4D, Thomas & Polly 4F and Arabella & Dylan 4S.

Years 5 and 6 – Louisa & Erin 5W, Isabelle & Leo 5C, Kodi & Tori 5S, Sam & Riyn 6G, Lucy & Hannah 6HB and Tass and Seren 6HD.

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Bristol Old Vic present "The Nativity" to the junior school



St Peters Church Christmas Service



The whole school enjoyed a very special carol service together at St Peter's Church last Monday. Readers, choir and our school orchestra all helped make this service special. It means a lot to us to celebrate the Christmas story in the heart of our community. Thank you to all the parents who attended and to the Rev Chris Judson for welcoming us into the church. I am sure that the donated gifts will be much appreciated by the Women's refuge centre in Bristol.

Upper School Choir performing at the Penny Brohn Concert @Clifton College Chapel helping to raise over £5000!!!



Well done to our fabulous upper school choir for their awesome performance at Clifton College Chapel! The audience were delighted and Mrs Ryan and I were so very proud of you all. Excellent - Mrs Parker x

Reception and Year 1 Production of the Noisy Nativity



We were so proud of our cast of the Noisy Nativity! The children sang beautifully, bravely spoke their lines and danced in front of a packed hall of family members.

Infants stirring our special Christmas Pudding.



The Christmas elves were spreading Christmas joy around the infant school this week. Every child and adult was able to stir our special Christmas pudding and make a little wish. Our class bird mascots have taken it to the North Pole to be baked in an extra large oven and will be flying back with it next week!

Christmas Lunch @ the junior school

