



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
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### Dear Parents and Carers

Hello everyone. We have reached the end of a very strange term indeed! Despite trying to be as 'normal' as possible, the issues around COVID have affected us greatly, both with pupils and staff. I would like to thank the staff especially for their commitment during this time. They have gone 'above and beyond' in terms of covering for colleagues, working well beyond 'normal' hours and always with a smile on their faces.

### Virtual Services

I hope that you have had the opportunity to watch our online services. Just as a reminder, the links are as follows:

Carols by Candlelight - [https://youtu.be/1xSInF28y\\_4](https://youtu.be/1xSInF28y_4)

KS1 Nativity - <https://youtu.be/-AbpisdwnG8>

Big Sing - <https://youtu.be/lfuRiur4Ato>

### Bad Hair Day and Christmas Raffle

Thank you to all that donated for Bad Hair Day. We raised £147 for The Friends towards equipment for school. We also raised £189 from the Christmas raffle. Thank you to Mrs Arthur for organising prizes.

### After School Clubs

Next term, there will be after school clubs every Monday and Thursday from 3.15pm to 4.15pm for Y1 to Y6. Monday will be football and Thursday will be multisports. You can book a place on ParentPay.

### Swimming

Year 4 will go swimming next term every Monday afternoon.

### Baubles

It has been lovely to see all the Christmas baubles on the school fence. Please remember to take them home.

### Winter Book Trail

You will have received information from Mrs Bertram about our Winter Book Trail. We hope that you and your family can take part in this exciting event.

### Positive case reporting

If your child tests positive with a PCR test during the holidays, please let school know via [enquiries@stjosephsjarrow.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@stjosephsjarrow.co.uk) email please. As children are not in school, we will not send letters out to other families to inform them of positive cases.

### Return to school

School will reopen after the New Year on **Tuesday 4th January** (Monday is a Bank Holiday)

### Finally

We hope that the news over the holidays is positive and that the unsettling situation calms down. We will of course keep you fully informed of any changes. I hope that you all have a safe and Happy Christmas and New Year.

Take care!  
Mr P Craig

P.S. Thank you for the kind gifts and cards too!

