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Dear Parents

We're fast approaching the end of term and it has been incredibly busy. Please do read my weekly newsletter to keep up to date with school events and key dates for your diary.

You are warmly invited to attend the following events this week:

Nursery Nativity Play - Tuesday, 12th December 2017 – at 9.15 a.m. in the Junior Hall Reception & KS1 Nativity - Thursday, 14th December 2017 at 9.15 a.m. in the Junior Hall Key stage 2 Advent Service - Friday, 15th December 2017 at 1.45 p.m. in Good Shepherd Church

I look forward to seeing you at these events and I am sure you will enjoy every moment.

I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work in preparing the children whilst still ensuring that teaching and learning continues to a high standard. Understandably, the children are very excited about Christmas and during whole school assemblies our focus is on the spiritual side of preparing for Christs' birthday. We have been talking about people who are forced to leave their homes, the homeless and how we can help through prayer and action. Our pupils are very intuitive and sensitive to the needs of others and their wisdom and comments show empathy and a genuine desire to help others. Please do talk to them about Advent and the importance of preparing in a spiritual way.

It is with much regret that I have to share the sad news that Mrs Morecraft will be leaving us at the end of this term having been with the school for over twenty years. Mrs Morecraft is leaving to take up a new role and follow a career path in finance. I am sure the experience she has gained in education will be of great benefit to her. She has been a valuable member of the team and given generously of her time, ensuring that all those in her care do well. We will be saying good bye to her at a special assembly on the Thursday but will be inviting her back to our Mass in January. I am sure you will join with me in wishing all the best for the future and every success.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Fernandes Headteacher







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